

**STATE OF MAINE
BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS**

**MINUTES
Thursday, September 19, 2019
9:00AM – 11:00AM**

Meeting location: Augusta Armory, Conference Room 209A, 179 Western Avenue, Augusta, Maine.

Attendees: Mandy Holway Olver, PE, Chair; Brent Bridges, PE, Vice Chair; Joyce Noel Taylor, PE; Russ Martin, PE, Complaint Officer; Jude Pearse, PE; Jennifer Archer, AAG; and David Jackson, Executive Director. Also present were representatives of professional societies and several engineering firms.

1. Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 9:05am.

2. Business

a. NCEES FE Exam registrations

Discussion focused on outreach efforts to increase interest among student populations in professional engineering. Board and staff currently visit college engineering classes to promote licensure, and the Board sponsors and participates in the annual Engineering Expo for K-12 students.

b. NCEES PE Exam transition to computer-based testing

Discussion of the transition of the professional engineering examinations to year-round and single-day computer-based testing, which is scheduled to be completed by 2024.

c. Decoupling the PE exam from the experience requirement

Discussion of the administrative advantages to decoupling the experience requirement from exam administration. Representatives from some professional organizations expressed opposition to decoupling. ACEC indicated an informal poll indicated roughly 60/40 split in opposition, and SEAM indicated 100% opposition to decoupling.

d. Stakeholder discussion

Issue of concern to stakeholders regarding those without FE exam who have many years of engineering experience not being able to be licensed under the current statute. Stakeholders would support the Board in amending the statute to permit those with at least 8 years of experience to have the FE exam waived.

e. Gregory Nawrotzki application for licensure. Mr. Nawrotzki did not submit proof of a passing result on the NCEES FE exam as required in Maine

statute. On motion by Mr. Bridges and second by Ms. Pearse, the Board voted 4-0 to issue a preliminary denial of licensure.

- f. Alexander Stein request to sit for the April PE exam. On motion by Mr. Bridges and second by Ms. Pearse the Board voted 4-0 to approve Mr. Stein's request to sit for the April 2020 NCEES PE exam.

3. Adjournment

- a. Next scheduled meetings are November 21, 2019 and January 16, 2020.
- b. Meeting adjourned at 10:47am.