

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & ECONOMIC GROWTH
BUREAU OF COMMERCIAL SERVICES – LICENSING DIVISION
2501 Woodlake Circle, Okemos, Michigan 48864-5955**

Professional Surveyors

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 16, 2008

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Board of Professional Surveyors met in regular session on April 16, 2008, at the Department of Labor & Economic Growth, Bureau of Commercial Services, 2501 Woodlake Circle, Room 1, Okemos, Michigan. The business meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Carl Shangraw at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

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| Present | Carolyn Charters Catherine DeDecker Karol Grove William Karr Ronnie Lester Carl Shangraw Robert Stanford | Member Member Member Vice Chairperson Member Chairperson Member |
| Absent: | George Karmo Daniel Redstone | Member Member |
| Staff: | Jean Boven Gloria Keene Michael Pillow Jackie Jernigan Stephen Gobbo Amy Shell Foye Longworth Archie Millben | Licensing Director Licensing Administrator Assistant Licensing Administrator Secretary to the Licensing Administrator Director, Legal Affairs Division Policy Specialist Testing Services Director of Enforcement |
| Visitors: | Jim Hepfer | Public |

***Unapproved
Minutes***

ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM AGENDA AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

Ms. Keene advised that George Karmo has been appointed by the Governor to serve on the Professional Surveyor's Board. Mr. Karmo is a Professional Engineer who will replace Board Member Regine Beauboeuf. Mr. Karmo's term will expire on 3/31/2012. Further, Ms. Keene reported that Karol Grove's term was extended to 3/31/2012 and William Karr (Professional Surveyor) and Dan Redstone's (Architect) term was extended to 3/31/2011.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JOINT BOARD MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 9, 2007 AND BOARD MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 26, 2007

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Lester and supported by Mr. Karr that the Joint Board meeting minutes from August 9, 2007 be approved as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Lester and supported by Mr. Karr that the meeting minutes from September 26, 2007 be approved as written. The motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Administrative Rule Changes for Professional Surveyors

Board Members reviewed the proposed rule changes for Professional Surveyors that were drafted by Mr. Karr with the assistance of Amy Shell, Policy Specialist. Upon a lengthy discussion and some suggested changes to the draft, the Board members agreed to review the final draft at the next scheduled Board Meeting of June 4th.

Continuing Professional Competency

Bureau Director Andy Metcalf, Jr. spoke to Board Members and staff regarding the proposals for implementing continuing professional competency in connection with license renewal for Professional Engineers, Architects and Professional Surveyors. He advised that a meeting was held recently wherein several proposals from related associations were reviewed. Director Metcalf advised that each proposal will be evaluated on its own merits. The target date for continuing professional competency implementation is October 1, 2009.

NEW BUSINESS

Licensure for Canadian Surveyors

The Board discussed an inquiry from a Canadian surveyor who is in the process of applying to take the Michigan Professional Surveyor's examination(s) and inquiring about the examination requirements for individuals licensed as a surveyor in Canada. Ms. Boven, Licensing Director, pointed out to the Board members that the Administrative Rules for Professional Surveyors require 18 hours of examination as directed by the Board. Upon further discussion, the Board determined that while they may be able to waive (on a case by case basis) the Fundamentals of Surveying (FS) Examination, the Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) Examination would be required for licensing as a Professional Surveyor in Michigan.

Election of Officers

CHAIRPERSON

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Lester and supported by Ms. Charters to nominate Mr. Shangraw to fill the position of Chairperson. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

VICE CHAIRPERSON

Motion: It was moved by Mr. Lester and supported by Mr. Stanford to nominate Mr. Karr to fill the position of Vice Chairperson. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) Central/Western Joint Zone Meeting – May 15-17, 2008, Bismarck, North Dakota

Mr. Karr advised that he will be attending the Central/Western Joint Zone Meeting even though funding is not available. Ms. Keene stated that as the NCEES Central Zone Representative, she has been funded by NCEES to attend the Board of Director's Meeting that will be held in Bismarck and also plans to attend the Joint Zone Meeting.

Mr. Karr reported that at the last Northeast Zone meeting, a document drafted by a number of NCEES past presidents proposing to basically split NCEES into the Engineering profession and Surveying profession was distributed. This idea was not well received at the Northeast Zone Meeting. Upon discussion, the Board determined they would also like to speak in opposition to this idea at the Central/Western Joint Zone Meeting in May. Mr. Karr volunteered to draft a resolution on behalf of the Board in opposition to the splitting of the professions by NCEES.

Motion: It was moved by Ms. Grove and supported by Ms. Charters that the Board will provide a resolution to NCEES opposing the splitting of the professions. The motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORT

MI Part IIB Update

Foye Longworth, of Testing Services, provided handouts concerning the Surveyors Michigan Part 11B Examination for Board Members. Mr. Longworth explained that in 2007 a Job Analysis Survey was designed and mailed to Michigan Professional Surveyors. The Michigan Part 11B exam was updated upon review of the survey results. Additionally, the reference list of materials not allowed in the examination center was expanded.

Michigan Part 11B Examination Statistics

Test Date: 03/01/07 - 3/31/08

| Tested | Passed | Pass % |
|--------|--------|--------|
| 28 | 14 | 50% |

Status of Standing Complaints

The Board members reviewed a report from the Enforcement Division of complaint activity against Professional Surveyors for the period of December 31, 2007 to April 11, 2008. The report contained complaints filed during the quarter, the number of complaints currently pending, the age of the complaints and the status of the complaints. There were 2 Professional Surveyor complaints file for the period.

ITEMS OF CONSIDERATION FROM BOARD MEMBERS

None.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Professional Surveyors will be held June 4, 2008.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Hepfer addressed the Board to express his frustration regarding a personal surveying issue. Mr. Hepfer asked that the Board reconsider his complaint that he filed in 2005.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Carl Shangraw, Chairperson

Date

Jackie Jernigan, Recording Secretary

Date