

MINUTES
BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS

DATE: December 6, 2017
TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 500 N. Calvert Street
Room 308
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

PRESENT: John Mettee, III, Chairman
TJ Frazier
Tammy Rollins
Thomas Orisich
John Jensen

OTHERS

PRESENT: Steve Long, Executive Director
James Baseman, Assistant Executive Director
Milena Trust, Assistant Attorney General
Leigh Hoyt, Board Administrator
Jeremy Burns, MSS

ABSENT: Donald Ocker

CALL TO ORDER

John Mettee, Chairman called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

MINUTES

A motion (I) was made by Tom Orisich, seconded by Tammy Rollins and was carried by the Board to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2017 meeting as submitted.

COMPLAINT COMMITTEE REPORT

John Jensen reported on the status of complaints:

16-LS-05	Closed
16-LS-07	Closed
17-LS-03	Investigating
17-LS-04	Closed
17-LS-06	Closed
18-LS-03	Consent Order pending
18-LS-05	Investigating

A motion (II) was made by TJ Frazier, seconded by Tammy Rollins and unanimously carried to accept the Complaint Committee report.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed an email from John Palatiello requesting that the Board make the records of expired licensees available on the web page. Steve Long reported that he does not believe it is possible to provide licensing information for expired licensees due to the Maryland Public Information Act. Milena Trust said that she would research this and respond.

NEW BUSINESS

Tom Orisich discussed an issue with a client using the NAD 83-91 while he typically uses the NGS 2011 adjustment. Mr. Orisich asked if the MSS had a position on this issue. Jeremy Burns stated that MSS is waiting for the NGS to publish its Model Law before taking a position on the issue.

OLD BUSINESS

John Mettee asked for an update on John Jensen's replacement. Steve Long noted that a replacement for Mr. Jensen has not been named yet.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Steve Long advised the Board that the State Specific exam is being administered on Friday, December 15. He noted that there will be 10 law examinees and 10 minor engineering examinees.

BOARD COUNSEL'S REPORT

Milena Trust reported that the bill to allow a property line surveyor or land surveyor to serve on the Board is moving forward. She also noted that Jerry Carter, CEO of NCEES, is retiring in 2018 and replacements are being vetted through a search committee. Ms. Trust reported that she will be presenting the UPLG report at the 2018 NCEES Northeast Zone meeting in Maine.

MSS REPORT

Tom Orisich questioned the subject matter of some of the CPC courses given by MSS. John Mettee noted that the rationale behind the CPC Committee and CPC auditing is to review the subject matter of CPC courses. John Jensen, a member of the CPC Committee said that he would discuss this with Don Ocker, the other member of the committee.

Jeremy Burns had nothing to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion (III) was made by Tom Orisich, seconded by John Jensen and unanimously carried to go into Executive Session at 10:59 a.m. at 500 North Calvert Street, 3rd floor conference room, Baltimore, Maryland 21202. This session is permitted to be closed pursuant to General Provisions Article, Ann. Code of Md, § 3-305(b)(13). Upon completion of the session, the Board reconvened its public meeting at 11:27 p.m.

APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW

Following a review by a minimum of two Board members, motion (IV) was made and unanimously carried to approve the following applications:

Jason Johnson, William Pugh and Brandon Sutton for examination
Kevin Blake and Kenneth Moran for reciprocity

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board noted that the next Board meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. on January 3, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion (V) was made by Tom Orisich seconded by John Jensen and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 a.m.

Approved:

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_____ with corrections

Original Signed

John Mettee, Chairman

Date: _____