

# ALASKA AELS BOARD

November 2008

## Quarterly Board Meeting

# November 2008 Meeting Summary

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Board members in attendance were: Boyd Brownfield, PE, Chair; Craig Fredeen, PE, Vice-Chair, Mark Morris, PE, Secretary, Clifford Baker, PS, Richard Heieren, PS, Harley Hightower, Architect, Burdett Lent, Landscape Architect, and Donald Shiesl, Public Member.

Charles Leet, PE, and Daniel Walsh, PE, had been excused from the meeting.

The second architect seat on the board is currently vacant.

Participating from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing were:

- Brian Howes, Investigator
- Vern Jones, AELS Board Licensing Examiner

Members of the Public in attendance for portions of the meeting were:

- Craig Bledsoe, representing Bristol Industries, LLC
- Patrick Kalen, PS, representing the Alaska Society of Professional Land Surveyors (ASPLS) and the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping (ACSM)
- Terry Schoenthal, Landscape Architect, representing the Alaska Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

### Disciplinary Actions Taken

Disciplinary action was taken against Clifford Baker, PS, for misconduct. He was fined \$500 and issued a reprimand.

The board chair signed an Order of Default and Decision against Robert L. Farmer for failure to comply with the continuing education requirements. The Order calls for revocation of his professional land surveyor registration.

### Regulations

The board adopted 12 AAC 36.100, Content of Examinations, and 12 AAC 36.105, Engineer Registration by Comity.

The board re-adopted 12 AAC 36.090, Waiver of Fundamentals of Engineering Examination and 12 AAC 36.195, Site Adaptation of Design Documents, as edited by the Department of Law.

### Regulations Approved for Public Notice

Approved for public notice at the August 2008 board meeting, but not yet public noticed, are proposed changes to 12 AAC 36.060, Eligibility for Architect Registration by Examination, and 12 AAC 36.062, .063, .064 and .065, requirements for sitting for the FE/PE and FS/PS exams.

### Legislation

The board will introduce legislation to make amendments to AS 08.48.281, AS 08.48.291 and AS 08.48.331(a)(7).

### Committees

Following are the current committees of the board:

#### Special Committees

- Additional Engineering Disciplines (environmental, fire protection and structural)
- Incidental Practice
- Disciplinary Action & Process

### AELS Quarterly Board Meeting

The Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors (AELS Board) held a quarterly board meeting on November 6-7, 2008 in Anchorage.

- Mobility Licensure

#### Standing Committees

- Technical Review
- Building and Planning Officials' Manual
- Legislative Liaison
- Emeritus Status

#### **Board Policies**

The board adopted no policies at this meeting.

#### **Continuing Education Audits**

None.

#### **Applicant Files Reviewed**

The board reviewed 80 applications for registration and examination:

- 24 applications for registration by exam and comity were approved.
- 50 applications for registration by comity and exam were conditionally approved.
- 6 applications were found to be incomplete and will be reviewed at the February 2009 meeting upon receipt of additional documentation.

#### **Action Items - Motions**

- Motion to incorporate definition of health, safety and welfare into the board's reference manual
- Motion to adopt bylaws as presented

#### **AELS Deadlines/Exam Information**

The next board meeting is scheduled for February 12-13, 2009 in Juneau. The meeting will be held in the State Office Building, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room A. The deadline for comity and examination applications is receipt in the Juneau office 10 days prior to the meeting.

Tentative future meeting dates are:

- May 21-22, 2009 – Fairbanks
- August 27-28, 2009 - Anchorage

#### NCEES exam retake requests:

To be approved to retake a failed NCEES exam in April 2009 written requests must be received in the Juneau office no later than February 20, 2009.

For all new exam applicants, applications and supporting documents must be received in the Juneau office 10 days prior to board meetings. **There will be no exceptions.**

#### **Regional and National Participation**

Boyd Brownfield, Craig Fredeen, Charles Leet and licensing examiner, Vern Jones, attended the NCEES Annual Meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota on August 13-16, 2008.

Burdett Lent, Landscape Architect, attended attending the CLARB Annual Meeting in San Diego, California on September 4-6, 2008.

#### **Staff Report**

##### **Investigator's Report**

John Savage, part-time Division Investigator for the AELS Board, reported the status on the investigative cases and actions.

This report can be viewed from the AELS web site at:

<http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/occ/pael.cfm>.

#### **Building and Planning Official's Manual**

The Building and Planning Official's Manual is posted to the AELS Website at

<http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/occ/pael.cfm>. The manual is still be revised.

#### **Interested Parties List**

To sign up to receive proposed regulations affecting architects, engineers, land surveyors and landscape architects that are public noticed by the division, please contact:

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