

# ALASKA AELS BOARD

February 2009

## Quarterly Board Meeting

# February 2009 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,  
Charles Leet, Civil Engineer,  
Richard Rearick, Architect and  
Donald Shiesl, Public Member.

Daniel Walsh, PE, had been  
excused from the meeting.

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

- John Savage, Investigator
- Ginger Morton, Executive  
Administrator, AELS Board
- Vern Jones, Licensing Examiner,  
AELS Board

Participating from the State of  
Alaska, Department of Law were:

- Gayle Horetski, Assistant  
Attorney General
- Dan Branch, Assistant  
Attorney General

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

- Brian Tomlinson, representing  
Fluor Enterprises, Inc.
- Bruce Klug, representing AIA,  
Alaska
- Roger Healy, representing  
DOT&PF
- Eric Eriksen, Electrical Engineer,  
representing himself
- Virginia Groeschel, representing  
APDC

- Rich Pratt, representing himself
- Leslie Daugherty, representing  
herself
- George Imbsen, representing  
himself
- Rob Lang, representing, UAA  
students
- Travis Arndt, representing himself
- Elmer Marx, representing himself
- Kirk Miller, representing himself
- Tim Doggett, representing himself,
- Grant Baker, representing UAA
- Keith Carlson, representing himself
- Patrick Kalen, representing ACSM
- Michael Lukshin, representing  
himself
- Frank Rast, representing APDC
- Dale Nelson, representing APDC

### Disciplinary Actions Taken

There were no disciplinary actions  
taken.

### Regulations

The board voted to initiate a regulation  
project which would allow the board to  
adopt by-laws.

### Regulations Approved for Public Notice

No regulations for public notice were  
approved at this meeting.

### Legislation

The board had planned to introduce  
legislation to make amendments to AS  
08.48.281, AS 08.48.291 and AS

### AELS Quarterly Board Meeting

The Board of Registration for Architects,  
Engineers and Land Surveyors (AELS Board)  
held a quarterly board meeting February 12-  
13, 2009 in Juneau

08.48.331(a)(7). The board is currently working on white papers to accompany these legislative requests.

The board is also initiating, with the assistance of the division, legislation to bring geologists in the State of Alaska under the purview of the AELS Board.

## Committees

Following are the current committees of the board:

### Special Committees

- Incidental Practice
- Disciplinary Action & Process
- Licensure Mobility
- Mining Engineers/Geologists
- Additional Disciplines vs. General PE registration (study per 2004 Legislative Audit recommendation)
- Develop a regulation on the creation and use of as-built and/or record drawings.

### Standing Committees

- Technical Review
- Reference 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 204 applications for registration and examination:

- 185 applications were approved or conditionally approved upon receipt of additional documentation
- 18 applications were found to be incomplete and will be reviewed again at the May 2009 meeting upon receipt of additional documentation.
- One application was denied

## Action Items - Motions

- Motion to initiate a regulation project allowing the board to adopt by-laws.

- Motion to authorize the chair to write a letter to a registrant regarding the stamping of as-built drawings.
- Motion to create a new committee to develop a regulation on the creation and use of as-built and/or record drawings.
- Motion to eliminate the additional engineering disciplines committee and create a new committee to research general licensure vs. discipline specific licensure.
- Motion to approve the disciplinary committee's Guide to Disciplinary Sanctions and send it forward to the AGs office for review and comment with the objective of formulation regulations.
- Motion to adopt the Reference Manual as presented to the board by committee.

## AELS Deadlines/Exam Information

The next board meeting is scheduled for May 21-22, 2009 in Fairbanks. The deadline for comity and examination applications is receipt in the Juneau office 10 days prior to the meeting.

Tentative future meeting dates are:

- August 27-28, 2009 – Anchorage
- November 19-20, 2009 – Soldotna

### NCEES exam retake requests:

To be approved to retake a failed NCEES exam in October 2009 written requests must be received in the Juneau office no later than September 1, 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

There was no attendance at regional or national meetings since the last board meeting.

## 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

An updated and revised Reference Manual will be posted to the AELS Website at

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

## 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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