

ALASKA AELS BOARD

August 2010

Quarterly Board Meeting

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AELS Quarterly Board Meeting

The Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors (AELS Board) held a quarterly board meeting August 5-6, 2010 in Wasilla.

Board members in attendance were: Richard Heieren, PS, Chair, Boyd Brownfield, PE Vice Chair, Clifford Baker, PS, Secretary, Craig Fredeen, PE, Harley Hightower,

Architect, Burdett Lent, Landscape Architect, Brian Hanson, PE, Daniel Walsh, PE and Donald Shiesl, Public Member.

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

- Don Habeger, Director of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensure.
- John Savage, Investigator
- Vern Jones, Executive Administrator, AELS Board
- Alicia Kelly, Licensing Examiner
- Kathy Mason, Administrative Officer II

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

- John Horan, PS representing himself.
- Lance Mearig, PE representing himself.
- Dalton Benson representing Senator Menard..

Disciplinary Actions Taken

None

Regulations Adopted

None

Regulations Approved for Public Notice

Change to 12 AAC 36.061(a)(2) NCARB Education Standard.

Repeal of 12 AAC 36.400-450. Continuing Education for Land Surveyors.

Change to 12 AAC 36.500-550. Continuing Education for Architects, Engineers, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects.

Change to 12 AAC 36.185. Use of Seals.

Add 12 AAC 36.020. Branch(s) of Professional Engineering.

Change to 12 AAC 36.180. Seals.

Change to 12 AAC 36.990. Definitions.

Legislation

None.

Committees

Following are the current committees of the board:

Special Committees

- General Licensure
- As Builts/Record Drawings
- Incidental Practice
- Licensure Mobility
- Mining Engineers/Geologists
- Land Surveyor Education Committee

Standing Committees

- Investigation Advisory Committee
- Guidance Manual
- Legislative Liaison
- Emeritus Status

- Budget and Fees Committee

Board Policies

The board adopted no policies at this meeting.

Continuing Education Audits

The Continuing Education Audit was completed. A letter with an overview of the findings will be sent to all registrants.

Applicant Files Reviewed

The board reviewed 174 applications for registration and examination:

- 79 applications were approved
- 84 applications were conditionally approved upon receipt of additional documentation
- 10 applications were found to be incomplete and will be reviewed again at the August 2010 meeting upon receipt of additional documentation.
- 1 application was denied.

Action Items - Motions

- Motion was made to add a new paragraph (f) to 12 AAC 36.185. The motion was tabled until Friday morning. Motion passed
- Motion was made to approve for public notice repeal of 12 AAC 36.400-450 and changes to 12 AAC 36.500-550 to include Land Surveyors as amended. Motion passed.
- Motion was made to approve for public notice changes to 12 AAC 36.010(d) to add the words "at its discretion may". Motion did not pass.
- Motion was made to deny the application of Michael J. Ward. The motion passed.
- Motion was made to forward those registrants that failed to meet the CE requirements to the paralegal for action with the Board recommendation to suspend the registrations until full compliance with the CE regulations.

- Motion to approve for public notice changes to 12 AAC 36.185 as amended.
- Motion to approve for public notice changes to 12 AAC 36.510, 12 AAC 36.990, 12 AAC 36.180 and add 12 AAC 36.020 to allow for general licensure.

AELS Deadlines/Exam Information

The next board meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 18-19, 2010 in Anchorage. The deadline for comity and examination applications is receipt in the Juneau office 10 days prior to the meeting.

Due to budget restrictions the Board has tentatively scheduled the May 2011 meeting in Anchorage.

Future meeting dates are:

- February 10-11, 2011 in Juneau.
- May 5-6, 2011 in Anchorage.

NCEES exam retake requests:

To be approved to retake a failed NCEES exam in October 2010 written requests must be received in the Juneau office no later than September 1, 2010.

To be approved to retake a failed NCEES exam in April 2011 written requests must be received in the Juneau office no later than February 20, 2011.

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

- A report on the NCARB National Conference in San

Francisco will be given at the November meeting.

- NCEES will hold their Annual Conference in Denver, CO. August 18-21, 2010. Eric Eriksen, PE, Boyd Brownfield, PE, Dan Walsh, PE, Don Shiesl, Public Member, Vern Jones, Exec Admin and John Savage, Investigator will attend.
- CLARB Will hold their Annual Conference in Baltimore, MD on August 26-28, 2010. Bert Lent, LA, and Vern Jones will attend.
- NCARB will hold their MBE Workshop in New Orleans, LA on November 4-6, 2010.

Staff Reports

Investigator's Report

John Savage, part-time Division Investigator for the AELS Board, reported the status on the investigative cases and actions. Due to a problem with new software John was unable to publish a report and had to give the report verbally.

Examiner's Report

Alicia Kelly Licensing Examiner for the Board provided the examiner's report.

The Examiners Report can be viewed from the AELS web site at:

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

Guidance Manual

Revisions are ongoing. The Guidance Manual can be found at the following link:

http://www.dced.state.ak.us/oc/pub/Guidance_Manual.pdf

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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