

ALASKA AELS BOARD

November 2011

Quarterly Board Meeting

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AEELS Quarterly Board Meeting

The Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors (AEELS Board) held a quarterly board meeting November 3-4, 2011 in Anchorage.

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

Richard Rearick, Architect, Burdett Lent, Landscape Architect, Daniel Walsh, PE and Donald Shiesl, Public Member.

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

- John Savage, Investigator
- Vern Jones, Executive Administrator, AELS Board
- Alicia Kelly, Licensing Examiner

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

- Peter A. Giessel, PE representing himself
- Colin Maynard, PE representing himself
- Troy Johnson, representing himself
- Dale Nelson, PE representing ASCE and APDC
- Petra Sattler-Smith, representing herself
- Klaus Mayer, representing himself
- Kerry Adler, Geologist, representing himself
- Mark Lockwood, Geologist representing himself
- Susan G. Browne, Geologist representing herself
- Bob BravNSTein, Geologist representing himself

Disciplinary Actions Taken

None

Regulations Adopted

Change to 12 AAC 36.185(e)

Add new subsection (c) to 12 AAC 36.990.

Change to 12 AAC 36.990.

Change to 12 AAC 36.103

12 AAC 36.106.

12 AAC 36. 205

Change to 12 AAC 36.064

Change to 12 AAC 36.065

Regulations Approved for Public Notice

None

Legislation

The board forwarded the following Statute Changes to APCD for assistance in lobbying and acquiring sponsors:

AS 08.48.055 Executive Secretary; Investigator of the Board.

AS 08.48.221 Seals.

AS 08.48.281 Prohibited Practice

AS 08.48.341 Definitions

AS 08.48.331 Exemptions

AS 08.48.091 Written examinations and examination fees

Committees

Following are the current committees of the board:

Special Committees

- General Licensure

- Incidental Practice
- Licensure Mobility
- Mining Engineers/Geologists
- Land Surveyor Education Committee
- Penalties

Standing Committees

- Investigation Advisory Committee
- Guidance Manual
- Legislative Liaison
- Emeritus Status
- Budget and Fees Committee
- Continuing Education Committee
- IDP Liaison

Board Policies

There were no Board policies approved this meeting.

Continuing Education Audits

Applicant Files Reviewed

The board reviewed 65 applications for registration and examination:

- 21 applications were approved
- 36 applications were conditionally approved upon receipt of additional documentation
- 8 applications were found to be incomplete and will be reviewed again at the November 2011 meeting upon receipt of additional documentation.

Action Items - Motions

- Motion made to approve Agenda as amended. Motion passed.
- Motion made to approved Minutes of the August meeting as submitted. Motion passed.
- Motion made to allow the investigator to implement an “imposition of civil fine” in cases that do not involve incompetence, gross negligence or Fraud. Motion passed.

- Motion made to adopt changes to 12 AAC 36.180 Seals and 12 AAC 36.990 Definitions. Motion passed.
- Motion made to amend changes to AS 08.48.331 (9) and the title of AS 08.48.331 back to the original language. Motion passed.
- Motion made to forward a Statue change to remove the work “written” where appearing from AS 08.48.091. Motion passed.
- Motion made to amend the application forms to change the General questions as recommended by Dept of Law. Motion passed.
- Motion made to go into Executive Session under authority of AS 44.62.310 to review applicant files. Motion passed.
- Motion made to adopt changes to 12 AAC 36.180. Seals. Motion passed.
- Motion made to adopt changes to 12 AAC 36.990 Definitions. Motion passed.
- Motion made to amend the definition of “naval architecture and marine engineering in the proposed change to 12 AAC 36.990(a)(40). Motion passed.
- Motion made to adopt changes to 12 AAC 36.103. Architect Registration by Comity. As amended. Motion passed.
- Motion made to adopt 12 AAC 36.106 Registration in Additional Branches of Engineering. As amended. Motion passed.
- Motion made to adopt 12 AAC 36.205. Scope of

Practice of Engineers. Motion passed.

- Motion to adopt changes to 12 AAC 36.064 Eligibility for Fundamentals of Land Surveying examination. As amended. Motion passed.
- Motion made to adopt changes to 12 AAC 36.065 Eligibility for the Professional Land Surveyor examination. Motion passed.
- Motion made to approve the following applicants for registration by examination or comity. Motion passed.
- Motion made to find the following applicants for registration by examination or comity incomplete. Motion passed.

AELS Deadlines/Exam Information

The next board meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 9-10, 2012 in Juneau. The deadline for comity and examination applications is receipt in the Juneau office 10 days prior to the meeting.

Future tentative meeting dates are:

- May 3-4, 2012 in Fairbanks.
- August 2-3, 2012 in Anchorage.

NCEES exam retake requests:

To be approved to retake a failed NCEES exam in April 2012 written requests must be received in the Juneau office no later than February 16, 2012.

To be approved to retake a failed NCEES exam in October 2012 written requests must be received in the Juneau office no later than September 1, 2012.

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

Reports from attendees at the following National meetings were presented.

- NCEES Annual in Providence RI.
- CLARB Annual in Chicago, IL.

Staff Reports

Investigator's Report

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

Examiner's Report

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

The Examiners Report and the Investigators Report can be viewed from the AELS web site at: <http://www.commerce.state.ak.us/occ/pael.cfm>.

Guidance Manual

Revisions are ongoing. The Guidance Manual can be found at the following link: http://www.dced.state.ak.us/occ/pub/Guidance_Manual.pdf. This manual is usually updated after the February meeting however, this year it was delayed until August due to the new regulations.

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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