

ALASKA AELS BOARD

February 2012

Quarterly Board Meeting

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AEELS Quarterly Board Meeting

The Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers and Land Surveyors (AELS Board) held a quarterly board meeting February 9-10, 2012 in Juneau.

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 Brian Hanson PE, Eric Eriksen PE, and Donald Shiesl, Public Member.

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

- Don Habeger, Director CBPL
- John Savage, Investigator
- Misty Frawley, Admin Officer.
- Vern Jones, Executive Administrator, AELS Board
- Alicia Kelly, Licensing Examiner

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

- Colin Maynard, PE representing himself
- Dale Nelson, PE representing ASCE and APDC
- Catherine Call, Architect representing herself.
- Jesse Gobeli PE, representing himself.
- Sean Hovors, representing APDC
- Tom Gill, representing, APDC
- Justin Cannon, representing APDC
- Vlad Irimescu representing himself.

Disciplinary Actions Taken

None

Regulations Adopted

None

Regulations Approved for Public Notice

None

Legislation

The board forwarded the following Statute Changes to APCD after the November 2011 meeting for assistance in lobbying and acquiring sponsors:

AS 08.48.055 Executive Secretary; Investigator of the Board. (SB143)

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

- Licensure Implementation
- Registration and Practice
- Licensure Mobility
- Engineers/Geologists
- TwiST 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

Audit letters will be mailed 2/21/12 and the audits will be reviewed at the May meeting in Fairbanks.

Applicant Files Reviewed

The board reviewed 261 applications for registration and examination:

- 135 applications were approved
- 106 applications were conditionally approved upon receipt of additional documentation
- 20 applications were found to be incomplete and will be reviewed again at the May 2012 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 November 2011 meeting as amended. Motion passed.
- Motion made to nominate Brian Hanson as Chair, Richard Rearick as Vice Chair and Eric Eriksen as Secretary. Motion passed.
- Motion made to form a special committee to bring forward a check list for establishing qualification for grandfathering. After discussion the motion was withdrawn.
- Motion made to form a special committee to investigate changes to 12 AAC 36.068 and the timing of such changes. Motion passed.

- Motion made to create a special taskforce chaired by Richard Heieren with the intent of writing a letter of endorsement for the TwiST program and support funding by NCEES. Motion passed.
- Motion made to advocate that NCEES support TwiST. 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 endorse Von Hill for Western Zone VP. Motion passed.
- Motion made to endorse Patty Momella for Western Zone President Elect. Motion passed.
- Motion made to approve applicants for registration by examination or comity. Motion passed.
- Motion made to find applicants for registration by examination or comity incomplete. Motion passed.

AELS Deadlines/Exam Information

The next board meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 3-4, 2012 in Fairbanks. The deadline for comity and examination applications is receipt in the Juneau office 10 days prior to the meeting.

Future tentative meeting dates are:

August 2-3, 2012 in Anchorage.

November 8-9, 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

None

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

There was no Examiners Report this meeting due to the large number of applications that had to be processed.

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

<http://www.commerce.alaska.gov/occ/pael.cfm>.

Guidance Manual

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

<http://www.commerce.alaska.gov/occ/pael.cfm>. This manual is usually updated after the February meeting however, this year updates will be approved at the May meeting.

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: Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist, Division of Corporations, Business & Professional Licensing, Dept. of Commerce, P.O. Box 110806, Juneau, AK 99811-0806, or by email: jun.maiquis@alaska.gov

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