

AELS Administrator's Report

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Administrator's narrative:

Since our May meeting, Liz Long has joined our staff and I have been training Liz. She has attended the Anchorage exam administration and has been working on setting up the June LARE in Anchorage and Fairbanks. Two redline reviews were completed. We've processed renewal applications, and exam or comity applications.

Renewal Process

We began on-line renewals for the 2002-2003 individual and corporate renewal cycle on November 6th, 2001.

Approximately, 1197 individual, corporate, LLC or LLP registrants have renewed online as of 5/8/02; 302 individual and 51 Corporate licenses lapsed as of 12/31/01 and have not renewed.

Board Travel:

Through legislative funding, and strong Division of Occupational Licensing (O.L.) support, Board members and staff have been able to attend several national and regional meetings. Kathy Gardner, Patricia Peirsol and I attended the

Registered Professional License Statistics:

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As of	6/30/00	6/30/01	11/13/01 2001	11/13/01 2003	2/5/02
Architects	495	526	511	21	465
Engineers:	3,718	3,927	3,825	169	3,547
Civil	2,434	2,557	2,507	98	2,324
Chemical	78	85	86	3	83
Electrical	505	535	517	27	491
Mechanical	574	616	589	35	530
Mining	35	35	33	3	29
Petroleum	92	97	93	4	90
Land Surveyors	587	608	603	25	548
Landscape Architects	6	12	13	15	15
Total Registered	4,806	5,395	4,957	218	4,575
Total:	1/15/01	6/30/01	11/13/01 2001	11/13/01 2003	2/5/02
Corporate	298	325	305	11	232
LLC	1	8	9	0	13
LLP	0	0	0	1	1

Professional Engineers	CODE	AK	OOS	TOTAL
CHEMICAL	H	36	49	85
CIVIL	C	1225	1219	2444
ELECTRICAL	E	229	287	516
MECHANICAL	M	255	299	554
MINING	N	24	5	29
PETROLEUM	P	54	40	94
Total		1823	1899	3722
ARCHITECTS	A	212	280	492
LAND SURVEYORS	L	438	138	576
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS	S	15	1	16
SUBTOTAL		2488	2318	4806
Corporations, LLC & LLP				
CORPORATION S	C	140	137	277
LLC	L	16	1	17
LLP	P	0	1	1
SUBTOTAL		156	139	295
COMBINED TOTALS		2644	2457	5101

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WCARB meeting in March (Daphne Brown attended as Ex. Committee member), and Dr. Bob Miller attended on his own. Kathy Gardner, Pat Kalen and I also attended the Western Zone meeting May 2-5th in Sun Valley. This was Pat Kalen's 4th Western Zone meeting and he was elected Chair of the Nominating Committee. We are showing good presence at the meetings, allowing us opportunities to continue to network with other jurisdictions (Board staff and Board members and to participate in leadership roles.

Legislation:

The legislature passed SB 9, the AELS sunset legislation, and the Governor signed the bill on June 25th, which includes the extension of the landscape architect temporary, non-voting member, along with a letter of intent asking the Board to provide a written report to the Legislature no later than February 15, 2002 on two issues: Continuing Professional Education and Licensure of Architects by Comity.

The House Finance Committee was updated in late February on Board actions taken at the February Board meeting.

Research & Issues:

Continuing Education: I've compiled a binder with some information on continuing education acquired from website links from ACSM to the LSRC (land surveyor resource page), then to each jurisdiction's site.

Building Officials' Handbook

John Clark, Linda Cyra-Korsgaard, Dr. Miller and I all met last month to discuss the Building Officials' Handbook. Linda did revisions as we worked and a draft document is will be taken up at our subgroup and we hope to have a product to circulate to building officials, circulate, finalize, and post to the website.

Exams

Susan Frederick prepared the Licensing Examiner

Report and both Susan and Liz Long came to Anchorage to administer the NCEES exams. You will see that our numbers are up a bit and we expect steady exam cycles for the next couple years as experience only is being phased out for engineers and land surveyors.

Land Surveyor listing

Occasionally I get requests from Land Surveyors to look up an old licensee (retired or inactive) that is not in our Oracle data base. We'd like to update our Oracle list to reflect all licenses issued and post a roster of old licensees to the website. Your input is welcome.

As always, I will continue to strive for AELS staff to provide good service to our clients and the O.L. by providing timely, accurate information to design professionals, and the public, and welcome any and all suggestions how we may better assist them. Feedback is important to me.

