Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Division of Occupational Licensure
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors

Minutes of the January 29, 2026 Open Meeting

The following attendance was recorded:

Board Members Present Remotely
Paul Tyrell, PE, PLS, Chairman
Azu Etoniru, PE, PLS, Vice Chairman
Nancy Gould, PE, Secretary
Edward Englander, Esq., Public Member
Daniel Caron, PE
Ronald Willey, PE
Kenneth Anderson, PLS
Paul Tsang, PE
Shallan Fitzgerald, PE

Board Members Not Present
Joyce Hastings, PLS

Members of the Public Present Remotely
Melissa Cannata
Matthew Kalpin
Tony LaVerde
Jeremiah Delaney

DOL Staff Members Present Remotely
Cameron Lease, Executive Director
Charles Kilb, Board Counsel
Richard Holtz, Deputy General Counsel

Open Meeting

1. Full Board Vote to Open Public Meeting
   a. At 9:00 AM, Cameron Lease announced that the meeting was being recorded.
   b. Paul Tyrell asked for a motion to open the public meeting.
   c. Edward Englander moved to open the public meeting.
   d. Nancy Gould seconded the motion.
   e. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 8-0. Members in favor: Paul Tyrell, Edward Englander, Daniel Caron, Ronald Willey, Kenneth Anderson, Nancy Gould, Azu Etoniru, Paul Tsang. Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: none.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. December 18th, 2025 Board Meeting
    a. Full Board Vote to Approve Meeting Minutes
        i. Azu Etoniru moved to approve the December 18th 2025 Board Meeting minutes and the September 19th, 2025 JP Exam Digitization Meeting minutes.
        ii. Edward Englander seconded the motion.
        iii. Nancy Gould mentioned a few typos to be fixed.
        iv. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 7-0-2. Members in favor: Paul Tyrell, Edward Englander, Daniel Caron, Ronald Willey, Kenneth Anderson, Nancy Gould, Paul Tsang Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: Azu Etoniru, Shallan Fitzgerald.
2. September 19th, 2025 JP Exam Digitization Subcommittee Meeting
    a. Full Board Vote to Approve Meeting Minutes

Discussion Items

1. Comments from Chair
    a. Paul Tyrell provided a safety moment regarding drone safety and the required tags, permits, and training necessary to safely operate drones.
2. Report from January 5th, 2026 Public Hearing
    a. Charles Kilb explained that the Board has a chance at this point to change the regulations after the public hearing, but recommended no changes since there were no suggested changes at the public hearing.
    b. Full Board Vote to Advance Regulations
        i. Edward Englander moved to advance the proposed regulations.
        ii. Nancy Gould seconded the motion.
        iii. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 9-0. Members in favor: Paul Tyrell, Edward Englander, Daniel Caron, Ronald Willey, Kenneth Anderson, Nancy Gould, Azu Etoniru, Paul Tsang, Shallan Fitzgerald. Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: none.
    c. Azu Etoniru asked if the UK MRA can now be joined by the Board.
    d. Paul Tyrell said the Board now has the ability to do so, but has not actually joined.
    e. Charles Kilb said that the regulations have been approved to be promulgated by late February. After that, the particulars of the MRA can be finalized.
    f. Paul Tyrell further explained the difference between reciprocity and comity with the UK MRA.
3. Interim NCEES Meeting Attendance (https://ncees.org/zone-meetings)
    a. Paul Tyrell said the Board has three funded delegates and needs to decide who will attend.
    b. Edward Englander expressed interest.
    c. Nancy Gould expressed interest.

Board Counsel Legal Report

1. Delegation Policy
    a. Charles Kilb explained the proposed policy for the Board to delegate authority to certain DOL staff members.
    b. Paul Tyrell said he had no issues with the proposed policy.
    c. Kenneth Anderson agreed.
    d. Azu Etoniru expressed concern that Eric Funk, Board Administrator, was not directly included in the proposed delegation policy.
    e. Charles Kilb explained that the policy isn't limited to the named individuals, and he would be included anyway under the Executive Director.
    f. Full Board Vote to Adopt Delegation Policy

Executive Director Report

1. NCEES Enforcement Exchange

   a. Cameron Lease explained the various steps that DOL staff are taking to track NCEES Enforcement Exchange cases.
   b. Paul Tyrell asked for further explanation on the process.
   c. Cameron Lease explained the background of how NCEES Enforcement Exchange works, that he and Eric Funk have developed a system to track these, and a process to file a Board Complaint if a licensee has failed to disclose discipline to the Board.
   d. Paul Tyrell mentioned that this seems to have been cumbersome, and encouraged completion of the work.
2. Case Status Report
3. Conditional Licensure Report – Doyle
   a. Cameron Lease said that the report for July 2025 to January 2026 reported no projects subject to the Conditional Licensure Agreement.

Review of Applications

1. Application Questions
   a. Applicant Jeremiah Delaney
      i. Nancy Gould asked various questions about the applicant's work experience.
      ii. Jeremiah Delaney answered various questions about his work experience.
      iii. Paul Tyrell asked the applicant several questions about his work process.
      iv. Daniel Caron asked a few questions to the applicant.
      v. Azu Etoniru asked a few questions to the applicant.
      vi. Paul Tsang asked a few questions to the applicant.
      vii. Paul Tyrell directed the applicant to take the feedback from the Board and resubmit his application.
2. Applicant Suitability Discussion (if required)
3. Application Review Report
   a. Full Board Vote to Approve Application Review Report
      i. Paul Tyrell asked for a motion to approve the Application Review Report.
      ii. Azu Etoniru moved to approve the Application Review Report.
      iii. Edward Englander seconded the motion.
      iv. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 8-0. Members in favor: Paul Tyrell, Edward Englander, Daniel Caron, Ronald Willey, Kenneth Anderson, Nancy Gould, Azu Etoniru, Paul Tsang. Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: none.

Subcommittee Meetings and Reports

Correspondence

Topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting

1. Kenneth Anderson mentioned that a fellow PLS had agreed to be a reference for an application, and was concerned because he thought those references were confidential.
2. Paul Tyrell mentioned that elements of an application are generally public.
3. Charles Kilb concurred that professional references are generally public record, not kept confidential.
4. Azu Etoniru mentioned that he believed applicants were not privy to professional references.
5. Paul Tyrell said that the Board receives references directly to ensure their integrity, but the actual references are not confidential.
6. Ronald Willey said it would be helpful to review a reference sheet.
7. Paul Tyrell asked what the concern from the PLS was.
8. Kenneth Anderson said the PLS was concerned that the reference included statements that he had no knowledge of some experience of the applicant.
9. Paul Tyrell said that references need to be truthful.

10. Daniel Caron said the reference sheet says that the applicant agrees to release the reference from certain claims, not that it's confidential.
11. Paul Tyrell asked for a motion to close the public meeting.
12. Edward Englander moved to close the public meeting.
13. Azu Etoniru seconded the motion.
14. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 8-0. Members in favor: Paul Tyrell, Edward Englander, Daniel Caron, Ronald Willey, Kenneth Anderson, Nancy Gould, Azu Etoniru, Paul Tsang. Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: none.

Public Comment

Executive Session

CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1), Individual Character Rather Than Competence

Quasi-Judicial Session

CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 18

Investigative Conference

CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C

1. Complaint Committee Report
    a. Cases
        i. 2025-000999-IT-ENF – Refer to Prosecution
        ii. 2025-001001-IT-ENF – Refer to Prosecution
        iii. 2025-000998-IT-ENF – Dismiss with Advisory
        iv. 2025-001000-IT-ENF – Dismiss with Advisory
        v. 2025-000995-IT-ENF – Dismiss
        vi. 2025-000997-IT-ENF – Refer to Prosecution
        vii. 2025-000987-IT-ENF – Dismiss with Advisory
        viii. 2025-000986-IT-ENF – Refer to Prosecution
        ix. 2025-000211-IT-ENF – Dismiss with Advisory
    b. Full Board Vote to Approve Complaint Committee Report
2. Pending Cases from Prosecutions
    a. Cases
        i. 2023-000242-IT-ENF - Approved
    b. Full Board Vote to Approve Prosecutions Recommendation

Adjournment

1. Full Board Vote to Adjourn Public Meeting

Items Relied upon at the Open Meeting:

Minutes
Application Report
Conditional Licensure Report