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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors**

**Minutes of the June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Open Meeting**

In accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30A § 20, notice is hereby given that the Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors will be convening their June meeting.

*The following attendance was recorded:*

**Board Members Present Remotely:**

Paul Tyrell, PE, PLS, Chairman  
Paul Tsang, PE  
Daniel Caron, PE  
Nancy Gould, PE  
Edward Englander, Esq., Public Member  
Kenneth Anderson, PLS  
Joyce Hastings, PLS  
Ronald Willey, PE, Vice Chairman  
Azu Etoniru, PE, PLS, Secretary

**Board Members Not Present:**

Shallan Fitzgerald, PE

**Members of the Public Present:**

Abbie Goodman  
Abel Arguedas  
Jay

**Division Staff Members Present at Various Times during the Meeting:**

Sarah Wilkinson, Commissioner  
Colleen Maloney, Deputy Commissioner of Boards and Policy  
Cameron Lease, Executive Director  
Philip Chan, Board Counsel  
Eric Funk, Board Administrator

**Discussion Items**

1. At 9:02 A.M. Executive Director Cameron Lease announced the opening of the meeting, that there was a quorum present. He provided notice that pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 30A, § 20, the meeting would be recorded.
2. Chair took a safety moment to recognize the dangers of heat stress, and to hydrate regularly to prevent it.



3. Chair discussed the letter received from Gov. Healey encouraging the Board to review its regulations consistent with the Mass Leads Act. Chair recognized Commissioner Wilkinson to discuss.
4. Commissioner Wilkinson explained the request from Gov. Healey to the Board to review Board regulations to reduce barriers and burdens to business and licensees, and eliminate any outdated regulations. DOL will send some suggested changes to the Board, but the Board should also review regulations for any that need update or elimination. If the Board has any suggested statutory changes, DOL will consider adding this to the developing omnibus bill.
5. Chair asked for members interested in reviewing the regulations, the following members were interested: Azu, Dan, Nancy, Joyce, Ken. Chair set a date and time for the meeting of July 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 A.M. Chair instructed members to research regulations beforehand, so that the meeting will be efficient.
6. Ron Willey said that the Board has requested Continuing Legal Education requirements, digitization of survey exams, and his replacement, and asked the status on those.
7. Chair said that CLE requirements may not be in line with the Governor's desire to reduce barriers for licensees and businesses, but they will discuss at the July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. Chair also explained the background of the desired digitization of the current PE exam.
8. Commissioner Wilkinson explained that the DOL is currently modernizing all of its systems, and digitization of the exam through a new in-house system is on the list. Commissioner also mentioned that the DOL is working on a replacement for Ron Willey.
9. Dan Caron mentioned that the Board had previously requested CLE requirements.
10. Chair reiterated that the CLE requirements may not be in line with the goal of reducing barriers to business and licensees, and that CLE requirements may not be able to get approved as they are currently proposed.
11. Chair thanked Ron Willey for his years of service to the Commonwealth, and explained that the Board will vote on granting him emeritus status with NCEES.
12. Board Counsel Phil Chan clarified that as long as the vote does not confer any additional powers upon Ron Willey, there is no issue.
13. Chair asked for a motion to vote to grant Ron Willey emeritus status with NCEES.
14. Azu Etoniru moved to grant Ron Willey emeritus status with NCEES.
15. Nancy Gould seconded.
16. Motion passed by a voice vote.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

1. Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the May 29, 2025 Open Meeting.
2. Ed Englander moved to approve the minutes from the May 29, 2025 Open Meeting.
3. Azu Etoniru seconded with comments to correct some typos from minutes.
4. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 8-0, with one abstention. Members in Favor: Nancy Gould, Joyce Hastings, Dan Caron, Paul Tyrell, Ron Willey, Ken Anderson, Azu Etoniru, and Ed Englander. Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: Paul Tsang.

#### **Board Counsel Legal Report**

1. Board Counsel Phil Chan explained that he had not heard anything about the requested Continuing Legal Education requirement regulations yet.
2. Chair mentioned that the goal of the Board is to propose regulatory changes to the DOL by the end of July.

#### **Executive Director Report**

1. Executive Director Cameron Lease said that there were no new NCEES Enforcement Exchanges and no new case dispositions to report.

2. Chair explained that during a period of time in the past, the Board was not participating in the NCEES Enforcement Exchange, but has resumed participation, and this is the way the Board notifies others across the nation if it has taken action against a licensee in Massachusetts.

### **Review of Applications**

1. Chair thanked Board Administrator Eric Funk for his work preparing the application. Chair requested a motion to approve the application report.
2. Azu Etoniru moved to approve the application report.
3. Dan Caron seconded.
4. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 9-0. Members in favor: Nancy Gould, Joyce Hastings, Dan Caron, Paul Tyrell, Ron Willey, Ken Anderson, Paul Tsang, Azu Etoniru, and Ed Englander. Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: none.

### **JP Exam Subcommittee**

1. Joyce Hastings reported that the Subcommittee met earlier this week and reviewed the recent exam. They set a passing rate of 70 and had 5 participants, 4 of 5 of those participants passed, equaling an 80% pass rate, included in the group were two first-time test-takers who both passed, and one out-of-state test-taker who received the highest score.
2. Chair mentioned to public member Abbie Goodman that there are frequently complaints that the Massachusetts JP exam is too challenging, but with an 80% pass rate and the highest score from an out of state applicant, this is not an issue.
3. Abbie Goodman asked Joyce Hastings to repeat the total number of test-takers.
4. Joyce Hastings said 5.
5. Chair asked for a motion to approve the JP Exam Subcommittee's recommendation.
6. Ed Englander moved to approve the JP Exam Subcommittee's recommendation.
7. Nancy Gould seconded.
5. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 9-0. Members in favor: Nancy Gould, Joyce Hastings, Dan Caron, Paul Tyrell, Ron Willey, Ken Anderson, Paul Tsang, Azu Etoniru, and Ed Englander. Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: none.
8. Chair extended thanks to the JP Exam Subcommittee for their work.

### **Correspondence**

#### **Topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting**

#### **Public Comment**

Chair asked for a motion to close the public meeting and move into Executive Session.

Ed Englander moved to close the public meeting and move into Executive Session.

Azu Etoniru seconded.

Motion passed by a roll call vote of 9-0. Members in favor: Nancy Gould, Joyce Hastings, Dan Caron, Paul Tyrell, Ron Willey, Ken Anderson, Paul Tsang, Azu Etoniru, and Ed Englander.

Members opposed: none. Members abstaining: none.

#### **Executive Session**

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

CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7), to Comply with the Public Record Law Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 4 § 7, ¶ 26(l)

#### **Quasi-Judicial Session**

CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 18

### **Investigative Conference**

CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C

2025-000222-IT-ENF: Refer to Prosecutions

2025-000211-IT-ENF: Refer to Investigations

2025-000164-IT-ENF: Dismiss

2025-000149-IT-ENF: Dismiss with Advisory

2025-000130-IT-ENF: Dismiss

2025-000114-IT-ENF: Refer to Investigations

2025-000108-IT-ENF: Dismiss

2025-000111-IT-ENF: Dismiss with Advisory

2025-000110-IT-ENF: Dismiss with Advisory

2025-000107-IT-ENF: Dismiss

### **Adjournment**

*If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in the meeting please reach out to Cheryl Yebba at 617-701-8711. The Agency will make best efforts to accommodate requests received in a timely manner.*

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Lease', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Cameron Lease,  
Executive Director

Documents used at the public meeting:

- Minutes for the May Board meeting
- Application reviews