

**MINUTES**

**STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS  
TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021  
9:00 a.m.**

**VIA TELEPHONE AT 1-240-454-0887  
MEETING CODE: 610.915.440  
BY VIDEO AT:**

**<https://IndianaEnhanced.Webex.com/join/PLAWebex>**

**Members Present:**

Opal Kuhl, Chair  
Jason Durr  
Tim Jensen  
Greg Morical  
Sam Reed  
Susan Zellers

**Members Absent:**

Steve Gillman

**Attending Administrative Staff:**

Amy Hall - Board Director  
Chris Shea-Russell – Assistant Board Director  
Donald ‘Ned’ Hannah - Board Counsel  
Karon Voloski Brown - Court Reporter

**CALL TO ORDER** – Opal Kuhl called to order the meeting at **9:00 a.m.**

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** – A motion was made by Greg Morical and seconded by Tim Jensen to adopt and approve the agenda.  
Motion carries 6/0/0

**ROLL CALL**

Sam Reed                   Aye  
Jason Durr                 Aye

Tim Jensen	Aye
Greg Morical	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye

#### **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 12, 2021 BOARD MEETING**

Motion made by Greg Morical and seconded by Sam Reed to approve the January 12, 2021 Motion carries 6/0/0

#### **ROLL CALL**

Sam Reed	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Tim Jensen	Aye
Greg Morical	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye

#### **REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Hillary Egan provided a report from the attorney general's office of current complaints and litigation matters. Ms. Egan noted that the attorney general's office has a target of the average age of open litigation matters is 16.2 months and consumer complaints is 9.6 months, not exceeding one year.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

1. **David Matthews – Cause No: 2020SBRPE0007**  
Motion to Dismiss Complaint with Prejudice

Greg Morical and seconded by Tim Jensen to grant the Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice Motion carries 6/0

#### **ROLL CALL**

Sam Reed	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Tim Jensen	Aye
Greg Morical	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye

2. **Michael O. Falk – Cause No: 2020SBRPE0003**  
Petition to Withdraw from Probation

Susan Zellers and seconded by Jason Durr to grant the Petition to Withdraw from Probation Motion carries 6/0

## **ROLL CALL**

Sam Reed	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Tim Jensen	Aye
Greg Morical	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye

## **PERSONAL APPEARANCE**

### **Nabi Fakroddin – Reinstatement**

**Nabi Faroddin appeared virtually before the Board to discuss his reinstatement. He has maintained his professional engineer license in Illinois, in active status. He had not renewed in Indiana due to the fact he did not need to use his Indiana license.**

Susan Zellers and seconded by Greg Morical to reinstate his professional engineer license in Indiana  
Motion carries 6/0

## **ROLL CALL**

Sam Reed	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Tim Jensen	Aye
Greg Morical	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye

### **Firooz Zandi**

**Firooz Zandi appeared telephonically before the Board telephonically for his quarterly Board appearance.**

## **APPLICATION REVIEW**

NONE

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **1. NCEES Zone Meeting and Voting Delegate**

Discussed the Central Zone Meeting and who will be the voting delegate to represent Indiana at the meeting. Sam Reed volunteered to be the voting delegate.

Greg Morical and seconded by Jason Durr to nominate Sam Reed as the voting delegate at the NCEES Zone Meeting.

Motion carries 6/0

**ROLL CALL**

Sam Reed	Aye
Jason Durr	Aye
Tim Jensen	Aye
Greg Morical	Aye
Opal Kuhl	Aye
Susan Zellers	Aye

Opal discussed testing and there are 800 people working on new exam questions. She also discussed how the testing is going and how far behind the testing centers are. It appears, with a few exceptions, testing is moving along successfully. The annual meeting will be held in person and virtually. Currently there will be two delegates allowed to attend to keep the numbers down.

Harold Snead, emeritus member, attended the meeting and spoke up about volunteering for NCEES and becoming involved with NCEES Committees. The Committees will be assigned after the annual meeting in August. Harold also provided the Board with some of his background prior to his board appointment in 2005.

**2. Rules Discussion**

The Board then discussed the interpretation of 864 IAC 1.1-2.1-4(a) and whether an applicant who had a masters or a doctorate from an approved engineering curriculum but did not have a bachelors from an approved engineering curriculum would be exempt from the requirements of that rule. Jason Durr, Greg Morical and Susan Zellers agreed to consider the issues and make a recommendation to the Board.

**3. Number of licenses issued since last meeting:**

**EI: 40**

**PE: 165**

Meeting adjourned at 10:00