

MINUTES

**STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
WEDNESDAY, July 15, 2020
9:00 a.m.**

***TO BE HELD THROUGH AUDIO CONFERENCING*
JOIN VIA TELEPHONE AT 1-240-454-0887
MEETING CODE: 610.915.440
OR JOIN BY VIDEO AT:**

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

Members Present:

Vincent Drnevich
Stephen Gillman
Opal Kuhl
Harold Snead

Members Absent:

Attending Administrative Staff:

Amy Hall - Board Director
Chris Shea-Russell – Assistant Board Director
Donald ‘Ned’ Hannah - Board Counsel
Brandy Bradley - Court Reporter

CALL TO ORDER – Opal Kuhl called to order the meeting at **9:02 a.m.**

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – A motion was made and seconded to amend and adopt and approve the amended agenda –

Motion made by Steve Gillman and seconded Vince Drnevich to approve the amended agenda.

Motion carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2020 BOARD MEETING

Motion made by Vince Drnevich and seconded by Harold Snead to approve the January 14, 2020 minutes.

Motion carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF APRIL 24, 2020 VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING

Motion made by Vince Drnevich and seconded by Harold Snead to approve the April 24, 2020 minutes.

Motion carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

1. Todd Reyling – 2020 Renewal – Positive Response

Todd Reyling appeared before the board electronically to discuss his positive response on his renewal. He explained that the response was due to his previous employer, who filed suit against him since some client base followed him to his new business. He wished to move forward to his license renewal.

Motion made by Harold Snead and seconded by Vince Drnevich to approve the renewal on probation to run concurrent with the probation in Illinois. April 24, 2020 minutes.

Motion carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

APPLICATION REVIEW

2. Christopher Legg

The board discussed this application due to the fact that he has had no course work as detailed in IC25-31-1-12. Would he be able to demonstrate that he has had sufficient mathematical and science requirements required for licensure? He does not meet the requirements due to the fact he does not have a college degree.

Motion made by Steve Gillman and seconded by Vince Drnevich to deny the application of Christopher Legg due to not meeting the education requirements.

Motion carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

REPORT FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

Jennifer Barth provided a report from the attorney general's office of current complaints. There are currently 16 open complaints. There are two litigation files open.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

Firooz Zandi – Cause No: 2018SBRPE0003

Amended Administrative Complaint

COUNT 1- FRAUD/Material Deception

Motion made by Harold Snead and seconded by Steve Gillman for the approval COUNT 1 of Fraud in the amended complaint

Motion Carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

COUNT 2 – Deception and Harmful to the Public

Motion made by Harold Snead and seconded by Vince Drnevich for the COUNT 2 of the amended complaint

Motion Carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

COUNT 3 – Professional Incompetence

Motion made by Vince Drnevich and seconded by Steve Gillman for the COUNT 3 of Professional Incompetence of the amended complaint. Vote to find him not guilty of

Count 3

Motion Carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

Firooz Zandi – Cause No: 2018SBRPE0003

Amended Administrative Complaint

Sanctions

Motion made by Steve Gillman and seconded by Harold Snead for the indefinite suspension of Firooz Zandi's Professional Engineer's license until he completes all requirements of his criminal convictions, pay the costs for this hearing and pay a 5.00 Health Records Fee to the Office of the Attorney General

Motion Carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

Firooz Zandi – Cause Number 2018SBRPE0003

Petition for Renewal of Summary Suspension

The criminal case was heard and Mr. Zandi was found guilty on one felony 5 count – theft of over 50,000.00.

Motion made by Vince Drnevich and seconded by Harold Snead for the approval of the renewal of the summary suspension.

Motion Carries 4/0/0

ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

DISCUSSION ITEMS

NCEES Elections – August 27th – The completed ballot must be submitted by July 31, 2020.

Treasurer - Paul Tyrell

Central Zone AVP - Jan Bostleman, PE (NE)

Board voted and concurred on the above candidates to be placed on the ballot for Indiana

Motion made by Vince Drnevich and seconded by Harold Snead for the approval
ROLL CALL

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

Renewals

Over half of the registered PE's have renewed as of now.

NSPE Member Forum

The perceptions of the Indiana Board were commented on over with over 51 comments.

Vince Drnevich Emeritus Status