

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
ILLINOIS LAND SURVEYORS LICENSING BOARD

Open Minutes

Illinois Land Surveyors Licensing Board

Date: January 21, 2022
Convened: 9:31 am
Adjourned: 11:02 am
Location: WebEx

Members Present: James W. Abbitt Jr., Chair
Michael Filipski, Vice-Chair
Gale E. Hake, Member
John G. Huff, Public Member
C. Brian Lounsbury, Member
Kim Lyons, Member
Carol Sweet-Johnson, Member

Member(s) Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kyle Lazell, Design Licensing Manager
Haley Lowrance, IDFPR General Counsel
Eduardo Fernandez, IDFPR Prosecuting Attorney

Guests Present: Ryan Roth, IPLSA
Kim Robinson, IPLSA
Mike Drewyor, NCEES Central Zone Vice-President

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 9:31 am.
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**I. Board Member
Announcements,
comments**

Mr. Abbitt welcomed everyone and asked if there were any Board announcements or comments.

No board announcements.

**II. Guest Announcements,
comments**

Ms. Robinson reminded the Board, the 2022 IPLSA Annual Meeting is planned to be held in-person in Springfield at the Crowne Plaza Hotel and will have several sessions available virtually later in the year for those are unable or unwilling to attend in person.

Mr. Drewyor shared the current offerings that NCEES can provide, noting the examinations, Record and Education evaluation programs as well as support with potential threats to licensure from legislators and the Model Law and Rules.

III. Licensing Manager Report

- A. 2021 Year-in-Review Report
Mr. Lazell shared a report on the 2021 statistics for the profession.
- B. Rules Update
Mr. Lazell stated he had no update for the pending rule packet at this time and hopes to provide an update by the next meeting.
- C. NCEES Dues
Mr. Lazell shared that he received the 2022 NCEES Dues invoices and submitted them to the accounting unit to review & approve and send to the comptroller's office for payment.

IV. Review of Open Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the November 19, 2021, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Huff/Lounsbury) and passed to accept the minutes of the meeting as written.
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

V. Ongoing Business

No business presented.

VI. Report from Subcommittees

- A. Jurisdictional Exam Sub-Committee
Ms. Sweet-Johnson reported that the profession survey email was sent out in late November and Dr. Rodgers noted that he received an overwhelming number of responses within the first week and was pleased by the involvement.

Mr. Lazell shared that Dr. Rodgers said he plans to have the exam survey statistics compiled soon and will work on finalizing his work needed in preparing to hold the initial exam review committee meeting.

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VII. New Business

A. Election of Officers

Mr. Lazell shared the Statutory Board officer term and duty requirements.

Call for nominations for Board Chair.

Mr. Abbitt nominated Mr. Hake to be appointed for Chair. Mr. Hake accepted the nomination. Motion was made, seconded (Abbitt/Filipski) to close the nominations for Chair.

Motion Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

Mr. Hake was elected as Board Chair for 2022.

Call for nominations for Board Vice-Chair.

Mr. Abbitt nominated Ms. Lyons to be appointed for Vice-Chair. Ms. Lyons accepted the nomination. Motion was made, seconded (Filipski/Lounsbury) to close the nominations for Vice-Chair.

Motion Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

Ms. Lyons was elected as Board Vice-Chair for 2022.

Mr. Lazell shared the CRC Vice-Chair term and duty requirements.

Mr. Filipski volunteered to be the Vice-Chair for the CRC committee in 2022.

B. 2022 NCEES
Central/Southern Zone
Joint Interim Meeting

Mr. Lazell informed the Board he received notice from NCEES regarding the Joint Interim Zone Meeting, stating the meeting is scheduled for April 21-23, 2022, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

He asked for the names of the Board members who will volunteer to be the delegates for the PLS Board.

The Board discussed and selected the below as PLS Board delegates:

Jim Abbitt
Gale Hake

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- Motion to go into Closed Session:** Motion was made, seconded (Huff/Filipski) and passed to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2c (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 10:52 am.
- Roll Call.
The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.
- VIII. Closed Session:**
- A. Review of Closed Minutes
The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the November 19, 2021 meeting.
- B. Application Review
No items reviewed by the Board.
- Motion to go into Open Session:** Motion was made, seconded (Huff/ Sweet-Johnson) and passed to go into Open Session at 10:55 am. Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.
- Motion to accept Recommendations:** Motion was made, seconded (Huff/Filipski) and passed to accept the recommendations made in closed session. Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.
- Motion to keep Closed Minutes closed:** Motion was made, seconded (Lounsbury/Huff) and passed to accept the recommendations made in closed session. Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.
- IX. Reminders** Mr. Lazell reminded the Board that the next meeting is scheduled to be on March 25, 2022.
- X. Adjournment** Motion was made, seconded (Huff/Sweet-Johnson) and passed to adjourn. Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:02 am.