

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

**Open Minutes**

State Board of Professional Engineers

Date: January 30, 2025  
Convened: 10:01 am  
Adjourned: 11:23 am  
Location: Springfield/Chicago/WEBEX

Members Present: Christy Crites, Vice-Chair  
Myles Alexander, Public Member  
Katherine Au, Member  
Gale Jamison, Member  
Jennifer Kuether, Member  
Sean Middleton, Member  
Justan Mann, Member  
Richard Rivera, Member

Member(s) Absent: Brian Berg Jr, Chair  
Kevin Burke III, Member

Staff Present: Kyle Lazell, Design Licensing Manager  
Ronald Almiron, IDFPR General Counsel  
Roy Cepero, IDFPR Design Professions Investigator

Guests Present: Kim Robinson, ISPE  
Ryan Vogt

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 10:01 am.  
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**1. Board Member comments** Ms. Crites thanked everyone for attending and asked if any of the members had any comments.

*No comments presented.*

**2. Guest comments** *No comments presented.*

**3. Licensing Manager Report**

A. Legislative Update Mr. Lazell informed the Board that the statute was amended as of January 1, 2025, because of the changes made in SB 3767. He also noted that there are several bills that have been filed

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that will amend the Open Meetings Act – one of which would allow members to attend meetings virtually.

**B. Rules Update**

Mr. Lazell shared that the pending Rule packet should be approved by the Governor's office soon and then will be submitted to the IL SOS for publication in the next available IL Register for the required 45-day public notice period.

**C. 2024 Year in Review**

Mr. Lazell provided a report for 2024 statistics of applications received, licenses issued and current number of licensees.

**4. Review of Open Minutes**

The Board reviewed the Minutes of the November 14, 2024, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Jamison/Middleton) to approve the open minutes of the meeting as presented. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

**5. Ongoing Business**

*None brought before the board.*

**6. Report from Subcommittees**

**A. Complaint Review Committee/Subcommittee**

Mr. Lazell shared the Complaint Statistics based on recommendations from the November 2024 meetings for each profession:

Architect: Opened 4, Closed 3, Referred to prosecutions 0  
SE: Opened 2, Closed 1, Referred to prosecutions 1  
PE: Opened 9, Closed 5, Referred to prosecutions 0  
LS: Opened 0, Closed 4, Referred to prosecutions 0

Complaints currently under investigation:

Architect – 23  
SE – 9  
PE – 25  
LS – 3

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Cases currently being prosecuted: **NO STATS SHARED**

Architect -

Land Surveyor -

Professional Engineer -

Structural Engineer -

## 7. New Business

### A. NCEES Zone Meeting

Mr. Lazell shared that the Central Zone meeting will be conjoined with the Western Zone in Albuquerque, NM on May 15-19<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Crites, Ms. Au, and Mr. Rivera will be the delegates for the Board.

### **Motion to move into Closed Session:**

Motion was made, seconded (Middleton/Jamison) to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2C (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 10:34 am. Motion passed with a quorum of members via roll call.

## 8. Closed Session:

### A. Review of Closed Minutes

The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the November 14, 2024, meeting.

### B. Application Review/discussion

The Board reviewed 6 applications, pursuant to Sections 1380.242, 1380.250 and 1380.280 of the Rules for the Administration of the Illinois Professional Engineering Practice Act of 1989.

### **Moved back into Open Session:**

The Board Vice-Chair moved the meeting back into Open Session at 11:11 am.

## 9. Motions, Reminders, and Signatures:

Approve closed minutes & keep closed minutes closed:

Motion was made, seconded (Kuether/Au) to approve the closed meeting minutes as amended, and keep the closed minutes closed. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

Accept Recommendations:

Motion was made, seconded (Jamison/Middleton) to accept the recommendations made in closed session. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

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Reminders

Mr. Lazell reminded the Board that the next meeting scheduled is on March 26, 2025 and to turn in a travel voucher for reimbursement.

Action Sheets

On behalf of the Board, the Chair signed action sheets 25-0024 through 25-0029.

**10. Adjournment**

Motion was made, seconded (Jamison/Rivera) to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed with a quorum of members. Meeting adjourned at 11:23 am.