

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

Open Minutes	State Board of Professional Engineers
Date:	November 13, 2025
Convened:	10:03 am
Adjourned:	10:53 am
Location:	Springfield/Chicago/WEBEX
Members Present:	Brian Berg Jr, Chair Christy Crites, Vice-Chair Myles Alexander, Public Member Katherine Au, Member Kevin Burke III, Member Vanessa Harris, Member Sean Middleton, Member
Member(s) Absent:	Jennifer Kuether, Member Justan Mann, Member Richard Rivera, Member
Staff Present:	Kyle Lazell, Design Licensing Manager Ronald Almiron, IDFPR General Counsel Roy Cepero, IDFPR Design Professions Investigator
Guests Present:	Kim Robinson, ESI Ryan Roth, ESI Melissa Cannata, Amber Book
Open Session:	The Meeting was called to order at 10:03 am. Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.
1. Board Member comments	Mr. Berg thanked everyone for attending and asked if any of the members had any comments. <i>No comments provided.</i>
2. Guest comments	<i>No comments provided.</i>

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3. Licensing Manager Report	<i>Nothing to report.</i>
4. Review of Open Minutes	The Board reviewed the Minutes of the September 25, 2025, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Crites/Middleton) to approve the open minutes of the meeting as presented. Motion passed with a quorum of members.
5. Ongoing Business	<i>None brought before the board.</i>
6. Report from Ad Hoc Groups A. Complaint Review Group	Mr. Middleton shared the Complaint Statistics based on recommendations from the September 2025 meetings for each profession: Architect: Opened 9, Closed 4, Referred to prosecutions 1 SE: Opened 1, Closed 1, Referred to prosecutions 0 PE: Opened 8, Closed 4, Referred to prosecutions 2 LS: Opened 1, Closed 0, Referred to prosecutions 1 Complaints currently under investigation: Architect – 20 SE – 8 PE – 33 LS – 6 Cases currently being prosecuted: Architect - 31 Land Surveyor - 6 Professional Engineer - 21 Structural Engineer - 10

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7. New Business	
A. Election of Officers	Mr. Lazell shared the Statutory Board officer term and duty requirements. Mr. Middleton inquired if the current Chair and Vice-Chair are willing to serve another term. Mr. Berg and Ms. Crites indicated they were willing. Motion was made, seconded (O'Kelly/Anderson) to re-elect the current Chair and Vice-Chair for another year. The Board members present constituted a quorum of the Board. Mr. Berg was re-elected as Board Chair for 2026. Ms. Crites was re-elected as Board Vice-Chair for 2026.
B. Discussion of the Washington Accord	Mr. Lazell presented a summary from NCEES regarding the Washington Accord for review and discussion by the Board. The Board discussed and consensus was that it would not be in the best interest of the public to adopt usage of the Washington Accord due to potential educational inconsistencies between the countries in question, and to wait and see if additional Mutual Recognition Agreements come forth from NCEES.
C. General Discussion	<i>No further items presented.</i>
Motion to move into Closed Session:	Motion was made, seconded (Middleton/Burke) to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2C (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 10:27 am. Motion passed with a quorum of members voting yes via roll call.
8. Closed Session:	A. Review of Closed Minutes The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the September 25, 2025 meeting. B. Application Review/discussion The Board reviewed 2 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.

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Moved back into Open Session: 9. Motions, Reminders, and Signatures: Approve closed minutes & keep closed: Accept Recommendations: Reminders 10. Adjournment	The Board Chair moved the meeting back into Open Session at 10:39 am. Motion was made, seconded (Crites/Harris) to approve the closed meeting minutes as presented, and keep the closed minutes closed. Motion passed with a quorum of members. Motion was made, seconded (Harris/Middleton) to accept the recommendations made in closed session. Motion passed with a quorum of members. 1) Joel Bolina: PDH Waiver request, denied. 2) Thomas Heuer: PDH Waiver request, denied. Mr. Lazell reminded the Board that the next meeting scheduled is on January 28, 2026, the renewal window for the PE license will close on November 30, 2025, and to turn in a travel voucher for reimbursement. Motion was made, seconded (Au/Alexander) to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed with a quorum of members. Meeting adjourned at 10:53 am.
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