

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

Open Minutes

Illinois Land Surveyors Licensing Board

Date: February 5, 2025
Convened: 10:15 am
Adjourned: 11:48 am
Location: Springfield/Chicago/WEBEX

Members Present: Gale E. Hake, Chair
Rebecca Popeck, Vice-Chair
James W. Abbitt Jr., Member
Kim Lyons, Member
Derek Twente, Member

Member(s) Absent: Michael Filipski, Member

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

Guests Present: Georgi Petrov

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 10:15 am.
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

1. Board Member comments Mr. Hake welcomed everyone and asked if there were any Board comments.

None presented.

2. Guest comments Ms. Robinson stated that IPLSA is providing several PDHs online to assist licensees with the renewal.

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

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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 21, 2024, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Popeck/Lyons) to accept the minutes of the meeting as presented. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

5. Ongoing Business *None presented.*

**6. Report from
Subcommittees**

A. Complaint Review Mr. Hake shared the Complaint Statistics based on
Subcommittee 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

Cases currently being prosecuted: **NO STATS SHARED**
Architect -
Land Surveyor -
Professional Engineer -

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Structural Engineer -

No new actions reported.

B. Jurisdictional Exam
Subcommittee

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 15-19th.
- Mr. Hake, Ms. Lyons, and Mr. Abbitt will be the delegates for the Board.

Motion to move into Closed Session:

- 8. Closed Session:**
- Motion was made, seconded (Popeck/Lyons) to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2c (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 10:52 am. Motion passed with a quorum of members via roll call.
- A. Review of Closed Minutes
- The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the November 21, 2024, meeting.
- B. Application Review/Discussion
- Two applications were presented to the Board for review, pursuant to Sections 1270.5, 1270.10, 1270.30 and 1270.65 of the Rules for the Administration of the Illinois Land Surveyors Act of 1989.
- Moved back into Open Session:
- Board Chair adjourned the Closed Session and moved the meeting back into Open Session at 11:42 am.

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9. Motions & Reminders:

- A. Accept Recommendations. Motion was made, seconded (Abbitt/Popeck) to accept the recommendations made in closed session. Motion passed with a quorum of members.
- 1) Perry Lyndel, SI enrollment approved.
 - 2) Henry Steinhagen, SI enrollment approved.
- B. Review of closed minutes and keep the closed minutes closed. Motion was made, seconded (Popeck /Lyons) to approve the closed meeting minutes as presented and to keep the closed minutes closed. Motion passed with a quorum of members.
- C. Reminders Mr. Lazell reminded the Board that the next meeting is scheduled to be on March 27, 2025, and reminded the members to send in their travel vouchers for reimbursement.

10. Adjournment

Motion was made, seconded (Abbitt/Lyons) to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

Meeting adjourned at 11:48 am.