

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

Open Minutes	Illinois Land Surveyors Licensing Board
Date:	May 21, 2025
Convened:	10:03 am
Adjourned:	11:28 am
Location:	Springfield/Chicago/WEBEX
Members Present:	Gale E. Hake, Chair Rebecca Popeck, Vice-Chair James W. Abbitt Jr., Member Derek Twente, Member
Member(s) Absent:	Kim Lyons, Member
Staff Present:	Kyle Lazell, Design Licensing Manager Ron Almiron, IDFPR General Counsel Roy Cepero, IDFPR Design Professions Investigator
Guests Present:	Ryan Roth, IPLSA Mike Bytner
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. Hake welcomed everyone and asked if there were any Board comments. <i>None presented.</i>
2. Guest comments	Mr. Roth thanked the Board for the ability to attend the meeting.
3. Licensing Manager Report	
A. Rules Update	Mr. Lazell shared that the pending Rule packet has been submitted to JCAR for second notice and adoption.
B. CORE System Update	Mr. Lazell noted that DPR continues to build professions into the new licensing system and he will advise when the PLS professions

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are migrated.

4. Review of Open Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the February 5, 2025, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Abbitt/Popeck) to accept the minutes of the meeting as presented. Motion passed with a quorum of members.

5. Ongoing Business

None presented.

6. Report from Ad Hoc groups

A. Complaint Review group

Mr. Hake shared that the March complaint review meeting was cancelled.

The Cases currently being prosecuted:

Architect - 25

Land Surveyor - 5

Professional Engineer - 23

Structural Engineer - 10

B. Jurisdictional Exam group

No new actions reported.

7. New Business

A. NCEES Zone Meeting - Report

Mr. Hake shared a report, noting he enjoyed the meeting and there was a lot of discussion on the agenda topics.

Items of discussion were:

- Fraudulent use of seals
- Exam trends
- FE/FS ambassadors

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- FE/FS honor cords
- Experience reporting
- PE Structural exam issues
- Motion to reduce pre-test questions
- Structural working group
- Geospatial Exam
- Nuclear PE exam
- PLSS Exam
- ETAC degrees

**B. NCEES Annual Meeting –
Motions**

Mr. Lazell reminded the members that he will send an email with the motions that will be voted on at the annual meeting, once they are available from NCEES.

**Motion to move into Closed
Session:**

Motion was made, seconded (Abbitt/Twente) 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.

8. Closed Session:

A. Review of Closed Minutes

The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the February 5, 2025, meeting.

B. Application Review/Discussion

No 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 11:18 am.

9. Motions & Reminders:

- A. 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.

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- B. Destroy Records:
- C. Reminders

Motion was made, seconded (Abbitt/Twente) to authorize destruction of closed meeting minute recordings for the years 2004 through 2023. Motion passed with a quorum of members. Mr. Lazell reminded the Board that the next meeting is scheduled to be on July 23, 2025, and reminded the members to send in their travel vouchers for reimbursement.

10. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 11:28 am.