

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  
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ILLINOIS STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING BOARD MINUTES

**Open Minutes**

Structural Engineering Board

Date: November 17, 2021  
Convened: 9:09 am  
Adjourned: 11:06 am  
Location: WebEx

Members Present: Chad Hodel, Chair  
David J. Carroll, Vice-Chair  
David R. Bibbs, Member  
Steven E. Bishop, Member  
Salvatore Di Bernardo, Member

Member(s) Absent: Christine Freisinger, Member

Staff Present: Kyle Lazell, Design Licensing Manager  
Haley Lowrance, IDFPR General Counsel

Guests Present: Brian Boyson, SEAIO  
John McLean, SEAIO

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 9:09 am.  
Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**I. Board Member  
Announcements,  
comments**

Mr. Hodel welcomed everyone for attending and asked if any member had an announcement or comment to share.

No Board comments.

**II. Guest Announcements,  
comments**

No guest comments.

**III. Licensing Manager  
Report**

A. Legislative Update

Mr. Lazell shared he had no update for the pending rule packet at this time and hopes to provide an update by the next meeting.

B. CTS Update

Mr. Lazell shared an update regarding the discontinuation of using CTS for NCEES exams as of November 1, 2021. He also shared the new exam registration process for NCEES exams for exam candidates.

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- C. NCEES MBA-Committee Mr. Lazell stated that the committee has met several times since September and broke into sub-committees to review a set number of NCEES position statements and make recommendation if the statement is still relevant or if changes may be warranted.
- D. PE License Renewal Mr. Lazell notified the Board that the PE profession is now in renewal and as a result of the Director's signed Variance, the renewal deadline has been extended through February 28, 2022. He reminded the Board that DPR has recently implemented a new renewal process through the online services portal on the DPR website.
- E. DPR Staff Change Mr. Lazell shared that Cheryl Sakris in the Director's office has left the department and the current point of contact is Diane Casas.

**IV. Review of Open Minutes** The Board reviewed the Minutes of the July 28, 2021 meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Di Bernardo/Carroll) and passed to accept the open minutes of the meeting as written. Roll Call: The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**V. Ongoing Business** Mr. Hodel commented that in recent meetings, the Board casually discussed the idea of "carry-over" hours for continuing education and requested that a sub-committee of the Board be formed to research this topic and provide a report at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Lazell also provided a separate request to consider changing the CE requirement and asked that the sub-committee review that as well.

The Board discussed and agreed that these are topics to look at. Mr. Hodel volunteered to be part of the sub-committee, as did Mr. Di Bernardo.

**VI. Report from Subcommittees**

- A. Complaint Review Committee/subcommittee Mr. Hodel reported on the November 4, 2021 meeting.

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Architect: Opened 1, Closed 0, Referred 0  
SE: Opened 1, Closed 1, Referred 0  
PE: Opened 2 Closed 2, Referred 2  
LS: Opened 0, Closed 2, Referred 1

Complaints currently under investigation:

Architect – 18  
SE - 2  
PE – 9  
LS – 7

Cases currently being prosecuted:

Architect – 34  
LS – 7  
PE – 22  
SE – 10

## 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. Bibbs nominated Mr. Hodel to be re-appointed for Chair. Mr. Hodel accepted the nomination. Motion was made, seconded (Bibbs/Di Bernardo) to close the nominations for Chair.

Mr. Hodel was re-elected as Board Chair for 2022.

Call for nominations for Board Vice-Chair.

Mr. Hodel nominated Mr. Carroll to be re-appointed for Vice-Chair. Mr. Carroll accepted the nomination. Motion was made, seconded (Hodel/Bishop) to close the nominations for Vice-Chair.

Mr. Carroll was re-elected as Board Vice-Chair for 2022.

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

### 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.

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He asked for the names of the Board members who will volunteer to be the delegates for the SE Board and also reminded them of the possibility of not being approved for out-of-state travel due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns.

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

Chad Hodel

David Carroll

Salvatore Di Bernardo

*David Bibbs will be an alternate*

**Motion to go into Closed Session:**

Motion was made, seconded (Bibbs/Di Bernardo) and passed to go into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2c (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 10:50 am.

**VIII. Closed Session:**

Roll Call.

The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**A. Review of Closed Minutes**

The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the September 28, 2021 meeting.

**B. Application Review**

The Board did not review any applications.

**Motion to go into Open Session:**

Motion was made, seconded (Di Bernardo/Carroll) and passed to go into Open Session at 11:01 am. Roll Call - The Board Members present constituted a quorum of the Board.

**Motion to accept Recommendations:**

Motion was made, seconded (Bibbs/Bishop) 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 (Di Bernardo/Bibbs) and passed to keep the closed minutes closed. 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 for January 19, 2022.

**X. Adjournment**

Motion was made, seconded (Bibbs/Carroll) and passed to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:06 am.