July 14, 2025, MEETING MINUTES

Special call meeting

The Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Surveyors held a special call meeting on July 14, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. via ZOOM. Notice was published on the transparency page of the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration's website. There were no visitors on the date and time of the meeting, unless otherwise mentioned under the roll call below.

I ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Roll Call

Board President Carey Hardin called the meeting to order at 3:300 p.m. on Monday, July 14, 2025, and Executive Director Monica Gilmore completed the roll call with the following persons identified as present:

Board Members:

Carey Hardin, PE
Clint Tidwell, PS
Patrick Martino, PS
Steve Twedt, PE
Bill Mitchell, PE
Blake Collins

Board Attorney

Kim Turner

Agency staff:

Monica Gilmore, Executive Director Joshua Smith, Licensure Officer Pamela Shields, Customer Service

Visitors and Guests:

Denise DeRossette, Cornerstone Jennisha Hunt, US NEXT

Board Member Dennis Truax was absent and Post 1 and 4 for the 1st District Central are currently vacant. On a motion from Board Member Patrick Martino and second by Board Member Blake Collins, the July 14, 2025, Board Retreat meeting agenda was submitted for approval. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Contract services for FY 2026 for US NEXT and Cornerstone Consulting Group (Cornerstone)

On a motion by Board Member Bill Mitchell and second by Board Member Patrick Martino, the Board voted to approve the annual contracts for both US NEXT and Cornerstone. The motion carried unanimously.

3. FY2027 Budget

Denise DeRosette presented information to the Board on the 2027 draft budget, which is due for submittal to DFA on or before August 1, 2025. On a motion by Board Member Steve Twedt and a second by Board Member Bill Mitchell, the FY 2027 draft budget was submitted for approval. The motion carried unanimously.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was presented by Board Member Patrick Martino with a second by Board Member Bill Mitchell. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Board President Carey Hardin, P.E.