

MINUTES
December 2, 2020
Jackson, Mississippi

The Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Surveyors held a meeting on December 2, 2020 using the web conference service known as Zoom. Zoom was used instead of an in person meeting due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board's office in Jackson, Mississippi was open and available for public participation; however, there were no visitors on the date and time of the meeting.

I ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Roll Call

Board President Tolbert called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M. on Wednesday December 2, 2020, via Zoom. Staff Officer Gilmore completed the roll call with the following persons identified as present via teleconference using Zoom or in person:

Board members:

Richard Tolbert, PS
Sarah Tracy, PE
William “Bill” Mitchell, PE/PS
Mike Thornton, PS
Patrick Martino, PS
Carey Hardin, PE
Dr. Dennis Truax, PE (late arrival)
Steve Twedt, PE
Joe Lauderdale, PE

Agency staff:

Mark Humphreys
Jane Phillips
Barbara Mills
Monica Gilmore-Love
Board Attorney Kim Turner
Special Assistant Attorney General
Wade Sweat (late arrival)

2. Review and Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes of the October 7, 2020 meeting. On a motion from Board Member Carey Hardin and second by Board Member Bill Mitchell, the minutes were submitted for approval. The motion carried unanimously. Board Member Dennis Truax was absent for the vote.

II NEW BUSINESS

A. Executive Director's Report

1. Board Member Mike Thornton was recognized as the December 2020 Surveyor Spotlight
2. On recommendation by the Board, the Executive Director will E-mail licensees reminding them of the availability / accessibility of the Biennium poll.
3. Executive Director Humphreys reported on his presentation to the members of ACEC Mississippi on November 20, 2020 via Zoom for their Fall virtual meeting.
4. The Executive Director presented the financial reports dated September 30, 2020, October 31, 2020, and November 30, 2020 for Board review.

B. Disciplinary/Legal Matters

A motion was made by Board Member Truax with second by Board Member Hardin to have a closed determination to consider whether to go into executive session to discuss the Board's disciplinary and legal matters. The motion passed unanimously. The Board President closed the general session and opened the closed session.

A motion was made by Board Member Truax with second by Board Member Hardin to go into executive session to discuss the Board's disciplinary and legal matters. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed and discussed the status of cases in progress. Assistant Attorney General and Board Attorney Turner with Ms. Phillips, Mr. Humphreys and the assigned Board Member(s) updated the Board concerning the status of cases in progress. In addition, Special Assistant Attorney General Wade Sweat updated the Board on the Vizaline case.

The Board President ended the closed determination and announced in general session that the Board had voted unanimously to go into executive session to discuss disciplinary and legal matters. A motion was made by Board Member Mitchell and seconded by Board Member Hardin to end the executive session and return to general session. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board President reconvened the general session and made a report of the status of the disciplinary and legal matters discussed during the executive session. Board Member Twedt made a motion and Board Member Mitchell provided a second to accept the report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Applications

The Board approved the following actions with regard to applications:

1. Citations to the 2021-04 NCEES Examination (20)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>EE</u>
Brandon Ashe	X
Colton Tack Beardsley	X
Richard Kohl Boozer	X
Deanna Dixon	X
Robert Huck Graham	X
Will Bradley Herrington	X
Austin Hopkins	X
Austin Keith	X
Jacob Hial Kramer	X
Matthew Lancaster	X
William Lucas	X
Jonathan Malone	X
Matthew Conrad Soohoo	X
Brandon St Clair	X

2. Deferred (2)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Roger Marinduque De Chavez	PE Comity with NCEES record from AR. Does not meet Mississippi’s minimum education requirements. The foreign degree must undergo an NCEES Credential Evaluation and obtain a rating of “meets NCEES Engineering Education standard. Any deficiencies identified by

the evaluation must be remediated.

Johnny Steward McMahan

SI initial applicant. The board is unable to ascertain the amount or quality of the experience as the application and forms are filled out poorly.

3. Licensure Approval

<u>LIC.NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>LIC.DATE</u>
31534	Matthew Harris Carpenter*	01/13/2021

***Decoupled applicant demonstrating qualifying experience.**

4. Ratification – Professional Engineers Licensed (74)

<u>LIC.NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>LIC.DATE</u>
31309	Ali, Al I	10/10/2020
31310	Davidson, William Elwood	10/10/2020
31311	Diehl, Leon Alfred	10/10/2020
31312	Fallon, Joseph Bernard	10/10/2020
31313	Montgomery, Louis Martin	10/10/2020
31314	O'Neal, Mindy Nicole	10/10/2020
31315	Pearce, Hunter Reeves	10/10/2020
31316	Vimawala, Dipal	10/10/2020
31317	Quintero, Robert Eugene	10/10/2020
31318	Shen, Changjiang	10/10/2020
31319	Smith, Ryan C	10/10/2020
31320	Soukamneuth, Viraphonh Victor	10/10/2020
31321	Tshimanga, Mufuta	10/10/2020
31322	Verret, Jake Matthew	10/10/2020
31323	Wickline, Joseph	10/10/2020
31324	Witherell, Christopher James	10/10/2020
31329	Dempsey, Eric William	10/15/2020
31330	Eilers, Michael Glenn	10/15/2020
31331	Iscimen, Mehmet	10/15/2020
31332	Poche, Malcolm Jude	10/15/2020

31333	Schenne, John August	10/15/2020
31334	Born, Todd Michael	10/15/2020
31335	Hougland, James Y.L.	10/15/2020
31336	Howard, Casey Jordan	10/15/2020
31337	Simpson, Danny James	10/15/2020
31338	Erne, Ronald	10/15/2020
31339	Abisamra, Joe Michael	10/15/2020
31340	Alexander, Barry Thomas	10/15/2020
31341	Gerhart, Jonathan	10/15/2020
31342	Lynch, Andrew	10/15/2020
31343	Santer, Jason Gerald	10/15/2020
31344	Snape, Jennifer Marie	10/15/2020
31345	Brooks, Matthew John	10/20/2020
31346	Dixon, Larry Dean	10/20/2020
31354	Adams, Dennis	10/27/2020
31355	D'Angelo, Christopher Mark	10/27/2020
31356	Davey, Jeremy Scott	10/27/2020
31357	Feller, Scott Frederick	10/27/2020
31358	Gambino, Jonathan Michael	10/27/2020
31359	Kyle, Robert	10/27/2020
31360	Lenz, Jeffrey Harold	10/27/2020
31361	Long, Todd Ivey	10/27/2020
31362	Osibajo, Oluronke Temitope	10/27/2020
31363	Scheck, Kevin Robert	10/27/2020
31364	Tarr, Dylan Todd	10/27/2020
31365	Townsend, Frederick John	10/27/2020
31366	White, William Schaffer	10/27/2020
31367	Wohlfarth, Emily Kay	10/27/2020
31373	Antley, Eric Scott	11/06/2020
31374	Berkowitz, Courtney	11/06/2020
31375	Conley, Malcolm Charles	11/06/2020
31376	Cordasco, John Luke	11/06/2020
31377	Garitty, Kevin Matthew	11/06/2020
31378	Goodson, Tony Edward	11/06/2020
31379	Miller, Douglas	11/06/2020
31380	Reid, David Justin	11/06/2020
31381	Rike, Andrew Harrison	11/06/2020
31382	Sawant, Amol Vasantrao	11/06/2020
31383	Skiple, Jason Eric	11/06/2020
31384	Stiles, Terry Wayne	11/06/2020

31385	Szatanek, Alexander	11/06/2020
31386	Tandy, Kenneth Trent	11/06/2020
31387	Warren, Andrew Wesley	11/06/2020
31388	Webb, Jack Nathaniel	11/06/2020
31389	Webster, Blake Hamilton	11/06/2020
31390	Zajac, Mark Joseph	11/06/2020
31391	Archer, Jonathon Blair	11/07/2020
31392	Berardino, Benjamin	11/07/2020
31393	Dvorak, John Robert	11/07/2020
31394	Grudin, Liza	11/07/2020
31395	Hoffman, Garrett G.	11/07/2020

5. Ratification of Engineer Interns Enrolled (4)

<u>ENR.NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ENR.DATE</u>
31280	Wientjes, Lauren Mariette	09/19/2020
31353	Kemp, Christina	10/24/2020
31409	Subbarayan, Jai Ganesh	11/14/2020
31410	Mathis, Austin Hunter	11/14/2020

6. Ratification of Surveyors Licensed (8)

<u>LIC.NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>LIC.DATE</u>
31298	Hamby, Adam Nathaniel	10/08/2020
31299	Gulick, Chad Aaron	10/08/2020
31300	Janisse, James Lee	10/08/2020
31301	Mason, Johnny Matthew Lee	10/08/2020
31302	O'Dean, Jeremiah David	10/08/2020
31303	Odham, Joseph Todd	10/08/2020
31304	Shultz, Neil Charles	10/08/2020
31305	Wheat, Derek Schuyler	10/08/2020

7. Ratification of Surveyor Interns Enrolled (2)

<u>ENR.NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ENR.DATE</u>
31370	Cleveland, Hunter Clay	11/03/2020
31371	Prassenos, Tarrin Michelle	11/03/2020

D. Certificates of Authority Issued

The Board ratified the following twenty (20) Certificates of Authority for Engineering and Surveying.

<u>LIC.NO.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>LIC.DATE</u>
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(Engineering)

31296	Basic Systems, Inc.	10/01/2020
31297	Airosmith Engineering	10/01/2020
31306	LaBella Associates, P. C.	10/08/2020
31308	RP Construction Services, Inc.	10/08/2020
31325	Enginuity Consulting Engineers, LLC	10/13/2020
31326	21 Design Group, Inc.	10/13/2020
31327	Harley Ellis Devereaux Corp.	10/13/2020
31328	Michael E. Clark and Associates, Inc.	10/15/2020
31347	WSD Engineering, Inc.	10/22/2020
31348	Southern Engineering Company, Inc.	10/22/2020
31349	Engineered Permits Inc.	10/22/2020
31350	Grindley Williams PLLC	10/22/2020
31351	MMR Constructors, Inc.	10/22/2020
31352	Legacy Engineer Group, PLLC	10/23/2020
31368	LHB, Inc.	10/29/2020
31369	Structural Engineering and Inspections, Inc.	10/29/2020
31372	Riley Company of Louisiana, Inc.	11/05/2020
31406	Novus Reb Engineering, LLC	11/12/2020
31407	Advanced Construction & Development	11/12/2020

(Surveying)

31408	Providence Engineering and Environmental Group, LLC	11/12/2020
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Motion to ratify the recommendations for citations to the exam and ratifications for licensure was made by Board Member Tracy and seconded by Board Member Truax. Motion carried unanimously.

E. NCEES BPA MBA Meeting – Friday January 29, 2021 Virtually

A motion was made by Board Member Truax and seconded by Board Member Hardin that Board Member Tolbert and Executive Director Humphreys attend the virtual meeting of NCEES BPA MBA on Friday, January 29, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Grant awards for FY2021

Board Member Tracy reported on the grant awards for 2021:

1. Two applications were disqualified as they did not meet the requirements for submittal or were submitted late.
2. One application was removed from consideration based on the quality of their application, lack of their graduates seeking enrollment or licensure and past adherence to grant requirements.
3. Four universities were awarded grants for a total of \$300,000 for FY 2021. See table for awarded amounts.

Recommendation was made by Board Member Hardin not to fund the NEMCC request due to the duplication of a past application. Motion by Board member Lauderdale with second by Board Member Thornton to move this amount on a 60 / 40 split to MSU and Ole Miss. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion to approve grant funding in the total amount of \$300,000 was made by Board Member Tracy with a second by Board Member Hardin. Motion carried unanimously. Board Member Dennis Truax was absent for the report and vote.

G. Review of MS PE Comity and FE applications

A motion was made by Board Member Mitchell and seconded by Board Member Hardin to allow staff to review and approve FE applications for citation / enrollment and PE Comity applications for licensure; provided there were no problems identified in the applications for citations / enrollments / licensure; that the agency staff be allowed to complete said approvals / citations / enrollments or licensure. This would occur for the first six-months of 2021, to be reviewed in June 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Next Meeting

The Board reaffirmed Wednesday, February 3, 2021 as its next meeting date, tentatively to be an in person meeting possibly located at the offices of ACEC to accommodate social distancing. Motion presented by Member Mitchell with second by Member Tracy. Motion carried unanimously.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn presented by Board Member Mitchell with a second by Board Member Tracy. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.



Executive Director Mark Humphreys