

The State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors met on Tuesday, January 8, 2013, in Conference Room 102 at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

**The following Board members were present:**

Michael S. Fletcher, PE, Chair  
Mark E. Chastain, LS, Vice-Chairman  
Elmo A. Richardson, Jr., PE/LS  
James W. Butler, LS  
Brian K. Upson, PE  
George Howroyd, PE  
L.H. (Dan) Davis, PE  
William Womack, PE

**Board members absent:**

Matthew W. Baxter, Consumer Member

**Staff present:**

Darren Mickler, Executive Director  
Swan LeGrand-Fleming, Board Support Specialist  
Julie Busbee, Licensure Supervisor  
Annette Wimberly, Complaint Compliance Analyst

**Attorney General Representative:**

Amelia Baker, Senior Assistant Attorney General, via videoconference

**Guests present:**

Phillip O. Brown, SAMSOG

**Call to Order**

At 9:30 a.m., Chairman Fletcher established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

**Adopt Agenda**

Chairman Fletcher asked members for any additions or deletions to the proposed agenda. Mr. Richardson moved to adopt the agenda. Mr. Womack seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Fletcher presented a draft of the November 13, 2012 meeting minutes and asked for any additions or deletions. Mr. Richardson moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Chastain seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

## **Professional Societies and Guests**

Chairman Fletcher acknowledged the presence of Phillip O. Brown with SAMSOG. No report.

## **Executive Director Report**

No report.

## **Old Business**

The Board had a discussion on changes to Board Rule 180-7-.07.

Chairman Fletcher informed the members of the Board that a meeting with Secretary of State Brian Kemp has been scheduled for January 15, 2013 in Atlanta. Chairman Fletcher will contact Mr. Kemp's office to see if the meeting can be moved to January 16, 2013 due to schedule conflicts.

## **New Business**

The Board reviewed correspondence from Chris Barrow, PE requesting clarification to whether a Georgia Professional Engineer's seal is required for a Professional Engineer providing commissioning services and the building of commissioning reports for pharmaceutical manufacturing systems. The Board made a recommendation to refer to 43-15-29(c) and NCEES position.

The Board reviewed correspondence from Alfred Thwart requesting to be certified in Georgia. He took the FE exam in Egypt. The Board made a recommendation to send a letter stating that he must apply for Engineer-in-Training.

The Board reviewed correspondence from Jacob Simmons regarding qualifying for FE exam when applicant is not an engineering student.

The Board discussed the waiver of the renewal fee. The Board voted to deny all requests.

## **Executive Session**

At 10:23 a.m., Mr. Richardson moved to enter into Executive Session, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and investigative matters and to receive an investigative report. Mr. Upson seconded. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board Chairman Michael Fletcher, James Butler, Mark Chastain, George Howroyd, Dan Davis, Bill Womack, Elmo Richardson, and Brian Upson.

The Executive Session of the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors meeting was closed at 10:55 a.m. and Chairman Fletcher declared the Georgia State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors to be "open" pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. The following Board Members were present – Chairman Michael Fletcher, Elmo Richardson, James Butler, George Howroyd, Mark Chastain,

Bill Womack, Bill Upson, and Dan Davis. No votes were taken in Executive Session.

### **Approval of Executive Session Minutes**

Chairman Fletcher presented a draft of the November 13, 2012 Executive Session Meeting minutes and asked for any additions or deletions. Mr. Richardson moved to approve the minutes with one correction. Mr. Womack seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Licenses Issued Since Last Meeting**

The Board reviewed a list of applicants that have been previously reviewed and approved. Mr. Richardson made a motion to ratify licenses issued from November 13, 2012 – January 7, 2013. Mr. Davis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Board Office/Investigations:**

Mr. Richardson moved to adopt the following recommendations regarding complaint cases considered by the Board during the Executive Session:

**Shannon Scruggs, Tyrone** - The Board made a recommendation to terminate probation status.

**PELS130016** - The Board made a recommendation to renew the PE license with no sanctions and close.

**PELS120035** - The Board made a recommendation to close this case no action.

Dr. Howroyd seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Legal Services:**

No Report

### **Assistant Attorney General:**

Mr. Richardson moved to adopt the recommendations of the report of the Senior Assistant Attorney General.

**PELS120056** – The Board made a recommendation to accept private consent order assessing a \$500 fine and close.

**PELS13009** – The Board made a recommendation to close with a letter of concern.

Mr. Womack seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

**Reinstatements:**

Mr. Richardson moved to approve the following reinstatement of licensure upon payment of a \$1,000 reinstatement fee. Mr. Davis seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- John Aaron Hartley, PE005552
- Wade Alan Cleary, PE027730
- Shahdad Makarechi, PE027134
- Stanley Malcom Mazza, PE019600

With no other business to discuss, Mr. Chastain moved to adjourn. Mr. Richardson seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

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Michael Fletcher, Board Chairman

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Darren Mickler, Executive Director

These minutes were adopted at the Tuesday, March 12, 2013 meeting. The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, May 14, 2013.