

South Carolina Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2007

The Board convened for an Application Hearing at 9:30 a.m. followed by Board business meeting June 13, 2007, at 110 Centerview Drive, Kingstree Building, Columbia, S.C.

Official notification of the meeting was sent to LLR's Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs and the Office of General Counsel; appropriate newspapers; WIS-TV; the South Carolina Society of Professional Engineers (SCSPE); and Capitol Consultants, Inc.

Chairman M.L. Love, Jr., P.E., called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Board Members present were Vice-Chairman Gene L. Dinkins, P.L.S and P.E.; Board Secretary Gaye Sprague, P.E.; Cecil Huey, Jr., P.E.; Andy Kinghorn, P.E.; Thurl Amick, Sr., P.L.S.

Also present were Jan Simpson, Board Administrator; Todd Bond, Investigator; Charlie Ido, Chief Investigator; and Sharon Dantzler, Advice Counsel.

Where action is recorded below, it was taken in each case on motion duly made, seconded and carried.

The Board reviewed closed investigative Case # 2006-54 and a previous case from 2004 regarding David Brandes. Discussion followed. The Board members concluded that new parameters should be drafted for handling of routine cases, that IRC members should be rotated periodically or there should be a pool of individuals for IRC, and that the IRC members should attend the next meeting to assist the Board in setting guidelines for handling cases. They expressed concern they are making decisions on cases with limited knowledge of the facts.

The Board adjourned the meeting to hold the application Hearing for Mr. Baxley.

The Board reconvened at 10:50 a.m.

Member Dinkins inquired about a licensee who has allegedly been jailed. Attorney Dantzler advised that anyone with information about violations of a practice act by a licensee must file a complaint for investigation.

100 Years of Engineering Licensure – The Board would like for Governor Sanford to sign a proclamation recognizing the Centennial celebration of licensure of engineers. Administrator Simpson will request it.

The Board responded to an inquiry to all state Boards from the Louisiana Board of Engineers regarding intentions to implement the Model Law requirement for engineers to obtain a bachelors degree plus 30 hours to be eligible for licensure. The Board is considering the increased requirement but it will not be implemented by 2015. Attorney Dantzler noted that

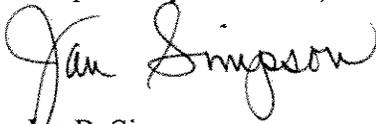
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other professional boards have had success in getting legislative approval for increasing education requirements when they could demonstrate a steady decline in the pass rate on the exam, apparently due to the need for more education.

Next Board meeting: September 25, 2007. The meeting on September 26th was cancelled.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jan Simpson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jan B. Simpson
Administrator