

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

Open Minutes

Structural Engineering Board

Date: May 10, 2023
Convened: 9:19 am
Adjourned: 12:02 pm
Location: WebEx

Members Present: Chad Hodel, Chair
Christine Freisinger, Vice-Chair
David J. Carroll, Member
Salvatore Di Bernardo, Member

Member(s) Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kyle Lazell, Design Licensing Manager
Ron Almiron, IDFPR General Counsel
Eduardo Fernandez, IDFPR Prosecuting Attorney
Roy Cepero, IDFPR Design Investigator

Guests Present: Stephanie Crain, SEAIO
Jan Block, SEAIO

Open Session: The Meeting was called to order at 9:19 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 comments presented.

II. Guest Announcements, comments

Ms. Crain shared that SEAIO was contacted by NCEES to request assistance from their members to participate with the NCEES SE Exam Review Committee.

III. Licensing Manager Report

A. Design Firm Renewal – Variance

Mr. Lazell notified the members that the design firm renewal deadline has been extended through June 30, 2023, due to system issues.

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B. New Meeting Protocols Mr. Lazell shared information with the Board regarding the new format for Board meetings as of May 11, 2023, going forward. Each member will need to travel to either the Chicago or Springfield location (member's discretion) to participate in the Board meeting. Members of the public may attend in person at either location or attend via the WEBEX link that will be provided on the specific meeting agenda.

IV. Review of Open Minutes The Board reviewed the open minutes of the March 29, 2023, meeting. Motion was made, seconded (Freisinger/Di Bernardo) to approve the open minutes of the meeting as written. Motion passed with a quorum of members via roll call.

V. Ongoing Business

A. Continued discussion of approved coursework/application processing

The Board discussed this topic. The committee will continue working on compiling list of approved courses from top selection of programs.

VI. Report from Subcommittees

A. Act/Rules subcommittee

The Board discussed the proposed changes and member's comments to those changes. Mr. Lazell stated that the recommended changes will be incorporated into the master draft and submitted for review by general counsel and SEAOL.

VII. New Business

A. NCEES CZ Meeting – report

Mr. Di Bernardo presented a report. Two discussion topics he commented on dealt with co-terminal/dual-degrees and CE requirements for ethics.

B. NCEES Annual Meeting

Mr. Hodel shared that he would be unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Lazell stated that Ms. Freisinger and Mr. Di Bernardo are listed as the other Board delegates. He additionally mentioned that should the Board receive new members by the July meeting, those individuals could attend under the new member funding offered by NCEES.

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**Motion to move into
Closed Session:**

Motion was made, seconded (Di Bernardo/Freisinger) to move into Closed Session pursuant to Section 2c (4) & (15) of the Open Meetings Act at 11:40 am. Motion passed with a quorum of members via roll call.

VIII. Closed Session:

A. Review of Closed Minutes

The Board reviewed the closed minutes of the March 29, 2023, meeting.

B. Application Review/discussion

The Board reviewed no applications pursuant to Sections 1480.140, 1480.170 and 1480.185 of the Rules for the Administration of the Illinois Structural Engineering Practice Act of 1989.

**Moved back into Open
Session:**

Board Chair adjourned the Closed Session and moved the meeting back into Open Session at 11:56 am.

IX. Motions:

Review closed minutes:

Motion was made, seconded (Carroll/Di Bernardo) to approve the March 29, 2023, closed minutes as presented. Motion passed with a quorum of members via roll call.

Keep closed minutes closed:

Motion was made, seconded (Carroll /Di Bernardo) to keep the closed minutes closed. Motion passed with a quorum of members via roll call.

X. Reminders & Signatures

A. Reminder

Mr. Lazell reminded the Board that the next meeting is scheduled for July 26, 2023.

B. Action Sheets

No Action Sheets signed

XI. Adjournment

The Board Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:02 pm.