

MINUTES OF

Meeting of the Board of Licensure for Professional
Engineers & Professional Surveyors held 9:00 a.m.
August 13, 2010 at Board Office, 4001 Office Court Drive,
Ste. 903, Santa Fe, NM

Members Present Severiano Sisneros, PE Board Chair
Julie Samora, PE, Board Vice Chair
Salvador Vigil, PS, Board Secretary
Fred Sanchez, PS, PSC Chair
Subhas Shah, PE, PEC Chair
Gilbert Chavez, PS
Stevan Schoen, Esq., Public Member
Rola Idriss, PE
John T. Romero, Sr., PE

Members Absent Augusta Meyers, Public Member

Others Present Edward Ytuarte, Executive Director, BLPEPS
Ericca Lopez, Executive Secretary, BLPEPS

Guests Russell Koger

1. CONVENE/ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Mr. Sisneros convened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Roll call was taken and it was noted that a quorum of the board was present. Mr. Koger Introduced himself as a guest.

Mr. Ytuarte introduced the two office temps, Pam Ulibarri and Antoinette Curran to the board.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION by Mr. Sanchez, **SECOND** by Mr. Vigil, and unanimously
VOTED: To approve the agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3.1 June 11, 2010 – MOTION by Mr. Sanchez, **SECOND** by Mr. Romero, and
unanimously

VOTED: To approve the meeting minutes of June 11, 2010

4. CORRESPONDENCE/ COMMUNICATIONS

4.1 Newsletter- Mr. Ytuarte informed the board that the news letter had been posted to the board website on Thursday. He also requested that they submit articles to be put into the newsletter for the next one that will be done. He also stated that there was a printed copy of the newsletter in their meeting books for them to take with them.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Engineering and Surveying Practice Act Amendments- Sunset Review- Mr. Sisneros explained that the PEC and the PSC had reviewed this item at the committee meetings. He also stated that they had adopted the changes that were made by the PSC on the expiration of licensure. Mr. Sisneros stated that he was given some language changes from Mr. Schoen that would be incorporated into the Act.

Dr. Idriss stated that she would like to hear the changes that Mr. Schoen had to see if the board agreed with them or not.

Mr. Schoen went through the small language changes that he was presenting to the board for change.

MOTION by Mr. Sanchez, **SECONDED** by Mr. Romero, unanimously
VOTED: To accept the Practice Act with the presented corrections and allow the members of the Sunset Review Sub-committee to finalize the report for presentation.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

6.1 Payment Vouchers for FY 10- Mr. Ytuarte stated that there was a copy of all of the payment vouchers for fiscal year 2010 for them to review and approve in the meeting books.

MOTION by Mr. Romero, **SECONDED** by Mr. Chavez and unanimously
VOTED: To approve the payment vouchers for Fiscal Year 2010

6.2 Administrative Progress- Mr. Ytuarte stated that he was going to introduce Pam and Antoinette at this point but since he had already done it that it was no longer necessary. He stated that they have been a tremendous help to the staff and he was still going to try to get the two positions that were lost back. He asked for help from any of the board members who could go with him to speak to the governor and see if there is any way

possible that the office could get those two positions back since the office was very short-handed.

MOTION by Mr. Romero, SECONDED by Mr. Chavez, unanimously

VOTED: To have the Executive Director make an appointment to see the governor to talk about this matter and Mr. Romero and Mrs. Samora would also attend this meeting.

7. OLD BUSINESS

7.1 Adoption of Workshop Results- Mr. Sisneros made a short presentation on what was discussed at the workshop in Ruidoso. He stated that now that the work on the Practice Act was done, the board needed to work on getting a sponsor to present it at the legislature.

MOTION By Mr. Sanchez , **SECONDED** by Mr. Vigil, and

VOTED: To contact Representative Saavedra to see if he would like to be the sponsor.

Voting Yes: Mr. Chavez, Mr. Sanchez, Mrs. Samora, Mr. Vigil, Mr. Sisneros, Dr. Idriss, Mr. Schoen and Mr. Shah.

Mr. Romero abstained from this vote.

MOTION by Mr. Romero, **SECONDED** by Mr. Shah, unanimously

VOTED: To add Mr. Larranaga as Co-Sponsor.

MOTION by Mr. Sanchez, **SECONDED** by Mr. Vigil, and unanimously

VOTED: To adopt the workshop results as presented.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Professional Engineering Committee-Mr. Shah reported that the committee had approved the meeting minutes from the June and July meetings.

He also reported that he heard from Mr. Tom Brandt from the environment department regarding on-site wastewater engineering.

Mr. Shah reported that the committee thoroughly reviewed the Practice Act amendments.

He stated that the committee also heard 10 complaints and reviewed the complaint log.

Mr. Shah also stated that Mr. Ytuarte had asked for volunteers to attend the ABET visits and that Mr. Sisneros would be an observer.

Mr. Shah stated that the committee also approved some requests for retirement and were informed of all of the newly licensed engineers and newly certified engineer interns.

Mr. Shah reported that the committee also reviewed applicant files for licensure on an individual basis.

8.2 Professional Surveying Committee- Mr. Sanchez reported that the committee had met on the previous day and approved the minutes of the July meeting.

He reported that the PSC had also gone through and made changes through the Practice Act.

Mr. Sanchez reported that the committee had three complaints to review and also went over the complaint log.

Mr. Sanchez reported that Mr. Ytuarte also had requested volunteers to attend the ABET visits.

Mr. Sanchez stated that the committee was given a list of new licensees and surveyor interns and reviewed a couple of applications on an individual basis.

9. OTHER BUSINESS- Convene into Executive Session pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section10-15-1(H)(2) to discuss....

9.1 Personnel Matters-

MOTION by Mrs. Samora, **SECONDED** by Mr. Shah, unanimously

VOTED: To Convene into Executive Session pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section10-15-1(H)(2) to discuss personnel matters.

Roll call vote was taken,

Voting Yes: Vigil, Sanchez, Chavez, Samora, Shah Idriss, Romero, Schoen and Sisneros

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Sisneros adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Submitted by:

s/ Edward Ytuarte
Mr. Edward Ytuarte, Executive Director

Approved by:

s/Severiano Sisneros, PE
Mr. Severiano Sisneros, PE, Board Chair

November 5, 2010 Approved Date