

Members Present- David Cooper, PS, Committee Chair
Maxine McReynolds, Esq., Public Member
Robert Gromatzky, PS
Karl Tonander, PE

Others Present- Perry Valdez, BLPEPS, Executive Director
Crystal Herrera, BLPEPS Administrative Operations Manager
Miranda Gonzales, BLPEPS, Administrative Manager
Isaac Maes, BLPEPS, Executive Assistant
Angelica Urioste, BLPEPS, Compliance Officer
Maria Ruiz, BLPEPS, Licensing Administrator
Valerie Joe, Legal Counsel
Earl Burkholder, PEPS
Noah Buck, Guest

1. Convene, Roll Call and Introduction of Audience

Ms. McReynolds read the meeting script regarding the virtual meeting protocols. Mr. Cooper then convened the meeting at 9:03 a.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum noted. Audience introductions made at this time.

2. Meeting Notification

Mr. Valdez informed the Committee the meeting was noticed on the Board's website and at the Board Office.

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Mr. Gromatzky to approve the agenda as presented, **SECONDED** by Mr. Tonander,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Mr. Tonander, Mr. Gromatzky, Ms. McReynolds

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Minutes of February 11, 2022

Mr. Cooper tabled this item.

5. **Requested Public Comment**

Mr. Valdez informed the Committee that there was no request for public comment.

6. **Old Business**

Mr. Valdez informed the Committee that there was no old business.

7. **New Business**

a. **Opportunity Scholarship Act of 2022**

Mr. Valdez provided the Committee a report on the Opportunity Scholarship Act of 2022. He presented details about the requirements and how it affects the Engineering and Surveying Scholarship. After some discussion on how to proceed Mr. Cooper tabled this item until the Full Board Meeting scheduled for April 8, 2022.

8. **Executive Session**

MOTION by Mr. Tonander that the Committee enter into closed Executive Session to discuss the items listed on the agenda pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (H) (1) and (3) to discuss matters pertaining to the issuance, suspension, renewal or revocation of a license and to deliberate on pending cases. **SECONDED** by Ms. McReynolds, **PASSED** unanimously.

Roll call vote taken, voting 'Yes': Mr. Cooper, Mr. Gromatzky, Ms. McReynolds, Mr. Tonander

9. **Action on Items Discussed During Executive Session**

Mr. Cooper brought the Committee back into open session and affirmed that while in closed session it discussed only those matters specified in the motion to close the meeting and listed on the agenda under executive session, in accordance with NMSA 1978 Section 10-15-1 (H) (1)

a. **Disciplinary Cases**

1) **Case 1-PS-01-25-2021 – Complaint Manager's Report**

MOTION by Mr. Cooper to attempt to enter into a pre-NCA settlement agreement and that if no agreement is executed within 30 days, the matter will be automatically referred to the Attorney General's Office for the issuance of an NCA, **SECONDED** by Mr. Tonander,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Mr. Tonander, Mr. Gromatzky, Ms. McReynolds

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

2) **Case 9-PS-10-01-2021 – Complaint Manager’s Report**

MOTION by Mr. Cooper that the Committee fully reviewed the complaint, and the easement survey complies with the Minimum Standards of Surveying and no technical deficiencies were found, to close this case with no action taken, **SECONDED** by Mr. Tonander,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting ‘Aye’: Mr. Cooper, Mr. Tonander, Mr. Gromatzky, Ms. McReynolds

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

3) **Case 1-PS-01-27-2020**

Mr. Cooper tabled this item until the next meeting.

b. **Status Review of Complaints and NCA Referrals**

A report was reviewed on the status of pending cases and referrals for Notice of Contemplated Actions.

c. **Applications for Review**

1) **SI Certification**

a) **Buck, N.**

MOTION by Mr. Cooper to not approve SI Certification due to lack of core curriculum surveying courses, **SECONDED** by Mr. Tonander,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting ‘Aye’: Mr. Cooper, Mr. Tonander, Ms. McReynolds

Mr. Gromatzky recused himself from the discussion and motion.

The motion **PASSED.**

2) **PS Endorsement**

a) **Adams, J.**

MOTION by Mr. Gromatzky to not approve for PS Endorsement and when applicant provides PLSS course documentation, board staff may approve the application and allow the applicant to take the state specific exam, **SECONDED** by Mr. Tonander,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting ‘Aye’: Mr. Cooper, Mr. Tonander, Mr. Gromatzky, Ms. McReynolds

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

b) **Ekrim, D.**

MOTION by Mr. Gromatzky to not approve for PS Endorsement due to lack of mathematical educational requirements, **SECONDED** by Mr. Tonander,

Roll Call Vote:

Voting 'Aye': Mr. Cooper, Mr. Tonander, Mr. Gromatzky, Ms. McReynolds

The motion **PASSED unanimously.**

10. **Next Scheduled Meeting Date:** June 9, 2022 – Santa Fe/Virtual (if necessary)

11. **Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Submitted by:

Isaac Maes, Executive Assistant