

BOARD FOR ARCHITECTS, PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND
SURVEYORS, CERTIFIED INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND LANDSCAPE
ARCHITECTS MEETING MINUTES

The Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects (APELSCIDLA Board) met on August 5, 2026, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

Members present for all or part of the meeting:

Architects

Tim Colley
Helene Dreiling
Harry Falconer, Jr.

Professional Engineers

Richard Davenport
Douglas Frost
Rick Townsend

Land Surveyors

John Claytor
Frank Richardson, II
Kevin Shreiner

Landscape Architects

Susan Dibble
Timothy Stromberg

Citizens

Troy Arnold, III

Interior Designers

Arjun Kainth
Catherine Christian Stanley

Staff present for all or part of the meeting were:

Laura McClintock, Director
Kate Nosbisch, Executive Director
Summer Saunders, Licensing Operations Administrator
Kyle Mathews, Regulatory Operations Administrator
Davon Jones, Administrative Coordinator
Joe Haughwout, Regulatory Affairs Manager
Ashley Reed, Executive Director
Jeannette Galanis, Executive Director
Brandon Bouknight, Examination Data Administrator
Jennifer Sayegh, Policy & Legislative Affairs Manager
Eric Beidel, Digital and Communication Manager
Connor Davis, Budget Officer
Free Williams, Director of Adjudication
Elizabeth Frye, Adjudication Specialist
Jonathan Darden, Director of Investigations – Region 1
John Grieser, Director of Investigations – Region 2
Stacy Montgomery, Asst. Director of Licensing Adjudication
Latichia Logan, Legal Analyst

Elizabeth Peay, Assistant Attorney General with the Office of the Attorney General, was not present with regrets. In her absence, James Flaherty, Assistant Attorney General, was present.

Sathish Anabathula, Board for Professional and Occupational Regulations Liaison, was not present with regrets.

Members of the audience:

Paul Battaglia, Executive Vice President of AIA Virginia & Architect

Rebecca L. Golden, PE - Virginia Society of Professional Engineers (VSPE)

George M. O'Quinn, Dominion Surveyors

Vickie Anglin, Land Surveyor

James Bradley, Land Surveyor

Daniel Eggleston, Attorney

H. Hay Spiegel, Attorney

Melvin Hopkins, Professional Engineer

William Pace, Bayshore Designs, LLC

William Pierce, Citizen

Candace Mellichampe, Citizen

Mr. Arnold, Chair, finding a quorum present, called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

Call to Order

Mr. Arnold advised the Board of the emergency evacuation procedures.

**Emergency
Evacuation
Procedures**

Mr. Colley moved to approve the agenda with the following amendments, under New Business, the Cease-and-Desist Orders agenda item was moved to follow Fraudulent Use of Licenses, and under Other Business, the Board Member Professional Development agenda item was removed. Mr. Davenport seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

**Approval of
Agenda**

Mr. Colley moved to approve the minutes for the following dates in block:

- APELSCIDLA Board Meeting, March 31, 2026
- APELSCIDLA LS Exam Review Meeting, May 7, 2026

**Approval of
Minutes**

Mr. Davenport seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Ms. Nosbisch welcomed and introduced Ms. Summer Saunders as the new Licensing Operations Administrator and Mr. Brandon Bouknight as the new Examination Data Administrator. Staff members supporting the Board and meeting participants were recognized. Ms. Nosbisch also informed the Board that citizen member Justina Vasquez had resigned from the Board, creating a vacancy for a citizen member.

**Welcome and
Introductions**

Mr. Battaglia, Architect & Executive Vice President of AIA Virginia, thanked the Board for its continued service in protecting the public and upholding professional standards.

**Public Comment
Period**

Ms. Anglin, Land Surveyor, addressed the Board in support of preserving the use of exhibit plats for surveying work outside Virginia's minimum survey standards.

**Case Files:
Disciplinary**

Mr. Townsend recused himself from the meeting for discussion and deliberation of the files.

**Recusal of Board
Member**

Regarding **File Number 2026-01788, Keith Randall Koontz**, the Board members reviewed the Consent Order as seen and agreed by Mr. Koontz.

**File Number:
2026-01788 - Keith
Randall Koontz**

Mr. Colley moved to accept the consent order which cites the following violation of the Board's Regulations: 18 VAC 10-20-790.9 (Count 1), and 18 VAC 10-20-790.10 (Count 2). For these violations, it was recommended that Mr. Koontz pay the following monetary penalties: \$500.00 for Count 1, \$250.00 for Count 2, and \$350.00 in Board costs, for a total monetary penalty of \$1,100.00. Mr. Davenport seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, and Stromberg.

Mr. Townsend returned to the meeting.

**Return of Board
Member**

Mr. Frost recused himself from the meeting for discussion and deliberation of the files.

**Recusal of Board
Member**

Regarding **File Number 2026-01254, Nader Elhajj**, the Board members reviewed the Consent Order as seen and agreed by Mr. Elhajj.

**File Number:
2026-01254 - Nader
Elhajj**

Mr. Colley moved to accept the consent order which cites the following violation of the Board's Regulations: 18 VAC 10-20-790.7 (Count 1). For this violation, it was recommended that Mr. Elhajj pay the following monetary penalties: \$1,500.00 for Count 1, and \$350.00 in Board costs, for a total monetary penalty of \$1,850.00. Mr. Townsend seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Regarding **File Number 2024-01757, Melvin Eugene Hopkins, Jr.**, the Board members reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the case file, transcripts and exhibits, and the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.

**File Number:
2024-01757 -
Melvin Eugene
Hopkins, Jr.**

Mr. Hopkins addressed the Board regarding the alleged violation involving the use of his professional seal and signature. He explained his process for reviewing drawings remotely and providing a scanned seal, signature, and date after completing his review. He stated that he believed the documents remained under his control and acknowledged that more secure technology could be used.

File Number:
2024-01757 -
Melvin Eugene
Hopkins, Jr.
(Cont.)

Mr. Claytor moved to accept the violations in the Informal Fact-Finding Conference which cites the following violation of the Board's regulations:
Count 1: 18 VAC 25-21-760.C.3.

Mr. Davenport seconded the motion which was approved 12-1 by:

Ayes: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer,
Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Nays: Kainth.

Ms. Nosbisch indicated that there were no prior disciplinary actions against Mr. Hopkins.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Davenport moved to accept the presiding officer's recommendation to impose the sanction for Count 1. For this violation, it was recommended that Mr. Hopkins pay the following monetary penalties: \$150.00 for Count 1 for a total monetary penalty of \$150.00.

Mr. Richardson seconded the motion which was approved 12-1 by:

Ayes: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer,
Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Nays: Kainth.

Regarding **File Number 2024-01758, Bayshore Design LLC**, the Board members reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the case file, transcripts and exhibits, and the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.

File Number:
2024-01758 -
Bayshore Design
LLC

William Pace, sole member and owner of Bayshore Design LLC, addressed the Board and stated that he believed the Informal Fact-Finding Conference summary accurately reflected the facts of the case. He requested that the Board follow the recommendation contained in the summary.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Shreiner moved to accept the presiding officer's recommendation to close Count 1: 18 VAC 10-20-780.B of this file with a finding of no violation.

Mr. Stromberg seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by:

Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth,
Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Mr. Frost returned to the meeting.

Return of Board
Member
Recusal of Board
Member

Mr. Claytor recused himself from the meeting for discussion and deliberation of the files.

Regarding **File Number 2025-02260, James Bradley**, the Board members reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the case file, transcripts and exhibits, and the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.

File Number:
2025-02260 - James
Bradley

Candace Mellichampe addressed the Board and asked them to reject the recommendation of no violation. She stated that her concerns involved land surveying standards of practice and disclosure requirements related to the historic relationship between Lot 33B and Parcel 33C, the boat landing/easement information, and the 2022 plat.

James Bradley, Land Surveyor, addressed the Board regarding his surveying experience and the case. He stated that his survey was based on the court case and records maintained in Brunswick County.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Davenport moved to accept the presiding officer's recommendation to close Count 1: 18 VAC 10-20-730.C and Count 2: 18 VAC 10-20-730.C of this file with a finding of no violation.

Mr. Davenport seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Mr. Shreiner recused himself from the meeting for discussion and deliberation of the file.

Recusal of Board
Member

Regarding **File Number 2025-03062, George Michel O'Quinn**, the Board members reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the case file, transcripts and exhibits, and the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.

File Number:
2025-03062 -
George Michel
O'Quinn

Mr. Pierce addressed the Board regarding the effects of the surveying work at issue.

Daniel Eggleston, Attorney for Mr. O'Quinn, addressed the Board regarding the recommendation for Count 1.

Mr. O'Quinn also addressed the Board. He described his surveying experience and disagreed with the IFF findings and recommendations.

Mr. Frost moved to accept the violations in the Informal Fact-Finding Conference which cites the following violation of the Board's regulations:
Count 1: 18 VAC 10-20-730.C
Count 3: 18 VAC 10-20-730.C
Count 4: 18 VAC 10-20-790.4

As to Count 2: 18 VAC 10-20-730.C, moved to accept the finding of no violation.

Mr. Davenport seconded the motion which was approved 10-2 by:

Ayes: Arnold, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Nays: Dreiling, and Richardson.

Ms. Nosbisch indicated that there were no prior disciplinary actions against Mr. O'Quinn.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Davenport moved to accept the presiding officer's recommendation to impose the following sanction and impose the following:

Count 1: 18 VAC 10-20-730.C

Count 3: 18 VAC 10-20-730.C

Count 4: 18 VAC 10-20-790.4

For these violations, it was recommended that Mr. O'Quinn pay the following monetary penalties: \$1,000.00 for Count 1, \$1,000.00 for Count 3, and \$500.00 for Count 4 for a total monetary penalty of \$2,500.00.

Ms. Dibble seconded the motion which was approved 10-2 by:

Ayes: Arnold, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Nays: Dreiling, and Richardson.

Mr. Claytor and Mr. Shreiner returned to the meeting.

The Board recessed at 11:25 a.m. and reconvened at 11:33 a.m.

Mr. Frost recused himself from the meeting for discussion and deliberation of the files.

Regarding **File Number 2026-01101, Suzanne Blanton Montgomery**, the Board members reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the application file, transcripts and exhibits, and the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.

Mr. Falconer moved to accept the recommendation of the presiding officer and approve the reinstatement of Suzanne Blanton Montgomery's application for a

File Number:

2025-03062 -

George Michel

O'Quinn (Cont.)

Return of Board Member

Recess

Case Files:
Licensing

Recusal of Board Member

File Number:
2026-01101 -
Suzanne Blanton Montgomery

Professional Engineer license. Mr. Townsend seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

File Number:
2026-01101 -
Suzanne Blanton
Montgomery
(Cont.)

Regarding **File Number 2026-01201, Quy T. Nguyen**, the Board members reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the application file, transcripts and exhibits, and the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.

File Number:
2026-01201 - Quy
T. Nguyen

Ms. Dreiling moved to accept the recommendation of the presiding officer and approve Quy T. Nguyen's application for a Professional Engineer license by examination. Mr. Shreiner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Regarding **File Number 2026-01800, Thomas J. Hutka**, the Board members reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the application file, transcripts and exhibits, and the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.

File Number:
2026-01800 -
Thomas J. Hutka

Mr. Townsend moved to accept the recommendation of the presiding officer and approve Thomas J. Hutka's application for a Professional Engineer license by comity. Ms. Dreiling seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Regarding **File Number 2026-00032, Kevin Richard Adams**, the Board members reviewed the record of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference, which consisted of the application file, transcripts and exhibits, and the Summary of the Informal Fact-Finding Conference.

File Number:
2026-00032 - Kevin
Richard Adams

Mr. Adams addressed the Board and requested reinstatement of his Virginia Professional Engineer license. He discussed his engineering experience, prior disciplinary history, and the structural modification project that resulted in the revocation of his North Carolina license.

Mr. Townsend moved to accept the recommendation of the presiding officer and deny the reinstatement of Kevin Richard Adams application for a Professional Engineer license. Mr. Kainth seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, and Stromberg.

Mr. Frost returned to the meeting.

Return of Board
Member

The Board recessed at 11:44 a.m. and reconvened at 11:58 a.m.

Recess

Ms. Nosbisch and Mr. Bouknight presented examination statistics covering multiple years, including the number of candidates tested, the number who passed, and overall pass rates. The Examination Statistics Report was provided for the Board's review.

**Examination
Statistics**

Mr. Shreiner reported that they reviewed and updated the Virginia State-Specific Exam by removing outdated questions, revising questions affected by regulatory changes, and developing new questions on a fifth day. The exam reference materials were also significantly reduced and updated to provide candidates with more focused study resources. PSI assisted with the exam review and provided statistical data on individual exam questions. The revised exam is expected to be implemented in August or September 2026.

**Land Surveyor
State Specific
Exam Review
Update**

Ms. Nosbisch addressed the board with an update on the Land Surveyor B Exam. The exam review committee met for four days and reconvened to address specific questions. Ms. Nosbisch recognized the significant time and work contributed by Board members and other land surveyors. Barring major regulatory changes, the exam is not expected to require another comprehensive review for approximately five years.

**Land Surveyor B
Exam Review
Update**

Ms. Nosbisch stated the Executive Director Report was provided for informational purposes.

**Executive Director
Report**

General Review Update

Regulatory Update

Mr. Mathews provided an update to the Board that amendments resulting from the Board's General Review became effective May 1, 2026.

Architect Alternative Pathway Update (HB 2154)

Mr. Mathews reported to the board that the public comment period closed July 29, 2026. One comment was received regarding acceptance of NCARB records and independent practice experience, with no comments opposing the fast-track rulemaking. Mr. Mathews informed the Board that the regulation will become effective on September 1, 2026.

Withdraw LS/PE Fast-Track

**Regulatory Update
(Cont.)**

Mr. Haughwout informed the Board that the LS/PE fast-track rulemaking initiated in November 2022 was no longer necessary due to the changes that have been incorporated into the General Review regulations.

Mr. Shreiner moved to withdraw the LS/PE Fast-Track. Mr. Colley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Regulatory Update
(Cont.)

Withdraw Emergency SB 826 Amendment

Mr. Haughwout informed the Board that the SB 826 emergency regulatory action was no longer necessary because the applicable changes had been incorporated into the General Review regulations.

Mr. Kainth moved to withdraw the Emergency SB 826 Amendment. Ms. Dreiling seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Guidance Document 6903 Technical Revisions

Mr. Mathews presented to the Board a technical, non-substantive revision to Guidance Document 6903 regarding property lines along public roads. The Board approved the revised document with a revision date of August 5, 2026.

Mr. Claytor moved to adopt Guidance Document 6903 as presented, with the revised date of August 5, 2026. Mr. Shreiner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Guidance Document 4426

Mr. Mathews informed the Board that most of the guidance had already been incorporated into regulation; however, guidance concerning unregulated geospatial data remained relevant. The Board discussed the need to retain the guidance document.

Mr. Claytor moved to review Guidance Document 4426 at the next Land Surveyor section meeting. Mr. Shreiner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Responsible Person Guidance Discussion

Mr. Mathews informed the Board that no questions had been received regarding the scope of direct control and personal supervision of a Responsible Person since the regulations became effective.

Mr. Kainth moved to table further work on the guidance until necessary. Mr. Shreiner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Regulatory Update
(Cont.)

Clarifying Professional Engineer Requirements

Mr. Mathews presented to the Board revised regulatory text to clarify that applicants for original professional engineering licensure in Virginia must pass the Principles and Practice of Engineering examination. Mr. Davenport questioned the experience requirements applicable to applicants with doctorate degrees, and Mr. Mathews agreed to research the history of those requirements.

Mr. Davenport moved to authorize staff to file the amendments as a fast-track regulatory action as presented and authorize staff to make any necessary technical or stylistic corrections. Mr. Kainth seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Land Surveyor Regulatory Review Committee

Ms. Nosbisch discussed reestablishing the Land Surveyor Regulatory Review Committee to review land surveying regulatory and guidance matters and provide recommendations to the Board.

Mr. Stromberg moved to reestablish the Land Surveyor Regulatory Review Committee. Mr. Shreiner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Ms. Nosbisch informed the Board that the Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation will host its Board Member Training Conference on October 22–23, 2026, at the Conference Center located at 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia. Board members were advised that Save the Date notifications had been distributed via email and that additional information would be provided as it becomes available.

New Board
Member Training
Conference -
October 22-23,
2026

Ms. Nosbisch advised the Board they have received two letters from the Virginia Society of Professional Engineers (VSPE) dated April 1, 2026, and May 6, 2026. There were no action taken on this item.

Correspondence

Ms. Nosbisch and Mr. Darden provided an update on the increasing number of complaints involving the fraudulent use of professional licenses and seals. The Board discussed investigative procedures, jurisdictional limitations, and efforts to protect the public from fraudulent activity.

Fraudulent Use of
Licenses

Mr. Frost departed the meeting at 12:59 p.m.

Departure of Board Member

Ms. Nosbisch and Mr. Darden addressed the Board regarding the Board's authority to issue cease and desist orders for unlicensed activity and reviewed their use as an enforcement tool.

Cease and Desist Orders

Ms. Dreiling moved that the Board supports the Investigations Division in taking any actions necessary to carry out its investigative responsibilities on behalf of the professions regulated by the Board. Mr. Colley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Mr. Darden presented the Board for APELSCIDLA Standards of Practice and Conduct – Investigations Guidance Document and discussed its use in the investigative process. Mr. Darden clarified that the disciplinary process would remain unchanged, including preparation of Reports of Findings outlining the applicable regulatory issues and supporting facts.

Investigations Internal Reference Guide

Mr. Shreiner moved to move forward with the partnership with the Investigation Section and to adopt the Board for APELSCIDLA Standards of Practice and Conduct – Investigations Guidance Document. Ms. Dibble seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stanley, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Ms. Stanley departed the meeting at 1:31 p.m.

Departure of Board Member

2026 NCARB Annual Meeting (June 25-28, 2026) I Minneapolis, Minnesota

Architects Update

Ms. Nosbisch provided an update on the 2026 NCARB Annual Meeting, held June 25–28, 2026, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Tim Colley was recognized as a recipient of the President's Medal for Distinguished Service and for his leadership with NCARB Region 2.

Mr. Colley reported that NCARB is reviewing national licensure standards through its Pathways to Practice work, including education, experience, examination/assessment, and alternative methods of demonstrating competency. He also noted a new mutual recognition agreement with South Africa.

2026 NCEES Annual Meeting (August 17-21, 2026) I Henderson, Nevada

**Professional
Engineers Update**

Ms. Nosbisch provided an update on the 2026 NCEES Annual Meeting, scheduled for August 17–21, 2026, in Henderson, Nevada. Board members and staff were scheduled to attend, with NCEES providing funding for several attendees.

Director McClintock announced that Ms. Nosbisch had been selected to receive the 2026 NCEES Meritorious Service Award, to be presented at the upcoming annual meeting.

NCEES Member Board Committee Update

Ms. Nosbisch informed the Board that NCEES had been considering greater representation for Member Board Executives within the organization. The Member Board Executive Committee recommended allowing a Member Board Executive to serve as a non-voting member of the NCEES Board of Directors, providing executive-level representation and input at the national level. Ms. Nosbisch asked the Board to formally support the recommendation prior to consideration at the NCEES Annual Meeting.

Mr. Davenport moved to support the recommendation. Mr. Colley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stromberg, and Townsend.

NCEES Summer 2027 Exam Changes - Member Board Memo

Ms. Nosbisch called the Board's attention to upcoming NCEES examination changes scheduled for Summer 2027. The information was provided for the Board's awareness.

NCEES Engineering Education Award - GMU Recipients

**Professional
Engineers Update
(Cont.)**

Ms. Nosbisch recognized George Mason University as a recipient of the NCEES Engineering Education Award, which included a \$10,000 award. She also recognized Board representatives for their participation in a 90-minute presentation at GMU.

Ms. Nosbisch provided information regarding an annual scholarship program available to individuals taking land surveying courses or participating in surveying education programs. Ms. Nosbisch noted that although Virginia does not currently have an in-state land surveying degree program, online educational opportunities are available. The scholarship program provides approximately \$30,000 annually to support surveying education.

**Land Surveyors
Update**

IIDA MAC Advocacy Committee and VA Consortium for Interior Designers

**Certified Interior
Designers Update**

Ms. Nosbisch reported that representatives from the IIDA MAC Advocacy Committee and Virginia Consortium for Interior Designers raised concerns regarding applicants having difficulty navigating Virginia's Certified Interior Designer certification process. Board staff worked with the organizations on a document to clarify and streamline the process. Ms. Nosbisch reported that the organizations were pleased with the outcome and anticipated the changes would help applicants navigate certification more efficiently.

Ms. Nosbisch provided the Board an informational update regarding the upcoming 2026 CIDQ Annual Meeting, scheduled for November 12–14, 2026, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Ms. Nosbisch provided the Board an informational update regarding the upcoming 2026 CLARB Annual Meeting to be held August 26–29, 2026, in Alberta, Canada.

**Landscape
Architect Update**

The licensee counts as of July 1, 2026:

APELSCIDLA Businesses	4,082
Architects	7,805
Professional Engineers	32,522
Land Surveyors	1,206
Land Surveyors B	54
Land Surveyor Photogrammetrists	83
Certified Interior Designers	478
Landscape Architects	1,011

**Licensed
Population**

Ms. Nosbisch conducted election of officers. Mr. Shreiner moved to nominate Mr. Colley as Chair. Mr. Davenport seconded. As there were no other nominations from the floor, nominations were closed and the nomination of Mr. Colley was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Election of Officers

Mr. Claytor moved to nominate Ms. Dibble as Vice Chair. Mr. Shreiner seconded. As there were no other nominations from the floor, nominations were closed and the nomination of Ms. Dibble was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner, Stromberg, and Townsend.

Director McClintock recognized Mr. Arnold for his service as Chair of the Board and thanked him for his leadership and contributions to the Board.

Conflict of Interest forms and Travel Vouchers were completed by all Board members present.

Conflict of Interest
Forms / Travel

Vouchers

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

Troy Arnold, III, Chair

Laura V. McClintock, Secretary