

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 March 3, 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

Land Surveyors

John Claytor
Frank Richardson, II
Kevin Shreiner

Landscape Architects

Susan Dibble
Timothy Stromberg

Citizens

Troy Arnold, III

Interior Designers

Arjun Kainth

Members absent from the meeting with regrets:

Interior Designers

Catherine Christian Stanley

Professional Engineers

Rick Townsend

Citizens

Justina Vasquez

Staff present for all or part of the meeting were:

Laura McClintock, Director
Steve Kirschner, LRPD Director
Kate Nosbisch, Executive Director
Ecila Williams, Licensing Operations Administrator
Kyle Mathews, Regulatory Operations Administrator
Davon Jones, Administrative Coordinator
Joe Haughwout, Regulatory Affairs Manager
Jennifer Sayegh, Policy & Legislative Affairs Manager
Eric Beidel, Digital and Communication Manager
Tom Payne CID Director
Free Williams, Director of Adjudication
John Grieser, Director of Investigations - Field Operations
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 Flarherty, Assistant Attorney General, was present. Sathish Anabathula, Board for Professional and Occupational Regulations Liaison, was not present with Regrets.

Members of the audience:

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

Sarojini Rao, Department of Planning and Budget

John Blanchard, Architect

Paige Pruett, Citizen

Mr. Arnold, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. Due to the absence of a quorum, the Board was unable to conduct any official business requiring formal votes until two additional board members arrived.

Call to Order

Mr. Arnold and Ms. Nosbisch advised the Board of the emergency evacuation procedures.

**Emergency
Evacuation
Procedures**

Mr. Davenport arrived at the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

**Arrival of Board
Members**

Ms. Nosbisch provided an update regarding the Board's examination services contract with PSI. The Board was informed that there is a one-year extension on the current contract which Board staff are invoking, and this matter will be brought before the Board before the extension expires.

PSI Exam Update

Ms. Nosbisch provided the Board with an update on the Land Surveyor State-Specific (LSS) and Land Surveyor B examination review sessions. She advised that additional days would be needed with PSI and indicated that dates have been scheduled, including May 7 for land surveyors, with additional sessions planned for mid-June for land surveyor b's.

**Land Surveyors
Update**

Mr. Kainth arrived at the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

**Arrival of Board
Members**

Ms. Nosbisch advised that an email was sent to the Board in February containing information related to organizations associated with the Board, including the Interorganizational Council on Regulation (ICOR) and other related organizations.

**Certified Interior
Designer Section
Update**

Ms. Nosbisch provided updates to the board on prior training sessions and discussed opportunities for future training. Board members expressed interest in continued training and noted the value of past Board Member Training Conference sessions and Multi-Jurisdiction Case Training. Ms. Nosbisch also emphasized the importance of Board member attendance, preparedness, and

**Board Member
Training**

timely participation in meetings.

The Board recessed at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 10:40 a.m.

Recess

Mr. Davenport moved to approve the agenda for March 31, 2026, and March 3, 2026, in block. Mr. Colley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

Approval of Agenda

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

Approval of Minutes

- APELSCIDLA Land Surveyor Section Meeting, August 13, 2025
- APELSCIDLA Public Hearing, September 9, 2025
- APELSCIDLA Board Meeting, November 14, 2025
- APELSCIDLA Professional Engineers Section Meeting, November 14, 2025
 - **Corrections:** In the meeting minutes for November 14th, Mr. Falconer advised Mr. Jones that NCARB Staff titles were incorrect on page 2 of 9 and should read Roxanne Alston, VP of Customer Relations NCARB, Caitlin Stromberg, AVP of Member Relations and Volunteer Engagement NCARB, the corrections have been made.
- APELSCIDLA Board Meeting, March 3, 2026

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

There was no public comment.

Public Comment Period

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

Recusal of Board Member

Regarding **File Number 2025-00001, Carl E. Duncan**, the Board members reviewed the Consent Order as seen and agreed by Mr. Duncan.

File Number: 2025-00001 Carl E. Duncan

Mr. Shreiner moved to accept the consent order which cites the following violation of the Board's Regulations: 18 VAC 10-20-730.C (Count 1), 18 VAC 10-20-730.C (Count 2) for six violations, and 18 VAC 10-20-790.4 (Count 3). For these violations, it was recommended that Mr. Duncan pay the following monetary penalties: \$350.00 in Board costs, for a total monetary penalty of \$350.00. Mr. Duncan agrees to the voluntary surrender of his license. Ms. Dibble seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

Mr. Claytor returned to the meeting.

Return of Board

Regarding **File Number 2025-01103, Carl E. Duncan**, the Board members reviewed the Consent Order as seen and agreed by Mr. Duncan.

Member
File Number:
2025-01103- Carl
E. Duncan

Mr. Frost moved to accept the consent order which cites the following violation of the Board's Regulations: 18 VAC 10-20-790.8 (Count 1) and 18 VAC 10-20-760.A.1 (Count 2). For these violations, it was recommended that Mr. Duncan pay the following monetary penalties: \$2,500.00 for Count 1, \$2,500.00 in Count 2, and \$350.00 in Board costs, for a total monetary penalty of \$5,350.00. Mr. Duncan agreed to two (2) hours of continuing education and a two (2) year probation of his license as of the effective date of this order. Mr. Shreiner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

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

Recusal of Board
Member

Regarding **File Number 2025-02915, Donald W. Vannoy**, the Board members reviewed the Consent Order as seen and agreed by Mr. Vannoy.

File Number:
2025-02915-
Donald W. Vannoy

Mr. Richardson 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. Gonzalez pay the following monetary penalties: \$350.00 in Board costs, for a total monetary penalty of \$350.00. Mr. Shreiner seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

Mr. Frost returned to the meeting.

Return of Board
Member

Regarding **File Number 2024-01140, K J Worrell**, 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:
2024-01140- K J
Worrell

Ms. Pruett appeared before the Board and spoke in support of the IFF findings and recommendation, asserting that the respondent engaged in misrepresentation and failed to meet professional responsibilities. She raised concerns regarding the accuracy of sealed reports, including that the respondent certified compliance without taking measurements, which allowed non-compliant construction to proceed. Ms. Pruitt supported revocation of the respondent's license.

Mr. K. J. Worrell did not appear before the Board but submitted a written statement, which was read into the record. In his statement, he disputed the IFF findings, denied misrepresentation, and asserted that any discrepancies were due to administrative issues rather than intentional actions. He stated that he relied on other professionals for certain aspects of the project and maintained that he followed applicable guidelines.

File Number:
2024-01140- K J
Worrell

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 25-21-790.9

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

Mr. Frost moved to accept the violations in the Informal Fact-Finding Conference which cites the following violation of the Board's regulations:

Count 2: 18 VAC 25-21-790.10

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

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

After a brief discussion, Mr. Frost moved to accept the presiding officer's recommendation to impose the sanction for Count 1.

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

After a brief discussion, Mr. Frost moved to accept the presiding officer's recommendation to impose the sanction for Count 2.

For these violations, it was recommended that Mr. Worrell pay the following monetary penalties: \$350.00 in Board costs, for a total monetary penalty of \$350.00. Mr. Colley seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

Mr. Colley and Ms. Drieling recused themselves from the meeting for discussion and deliberation of the file.

Recusal of Board
Member

Regarding **File Number 2023-00931, John Wallace Blanchard**, 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:
2023-00931- John
Wallace Blanchard

Mr. Blanchard addressed the Board and argued that the Board's evaluation relied too heavily on limited factors and did not fully consider required statutory criteria, particularly rehabilitation. He referenced legal precedent to support his position and maintained that his past conduct was not directly related to his ability to practice, asking the Board to consider his rehabilitation and qualifications in its decision.

At 11:26 a.m., Mr. Frost moved that the meeting be recessed and that the Board immediately reconvene in closed meeting for the purpose of deliberation on the disciplinary case from an Informal or Formal Hearing in order to reach a decision, as permitted by § 2.2-3711.A.27 of the Code of Virginia. Mr. Claytor seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Davenport, Dibble, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

Closed Meeting

At 12:20 p.m., Mr. Arnold moved to adjourn the closed meeting and to immediately reconvene in open meeting. Upon reconvening, each member present certified that, to the best of their knowledge, only matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under § 2.2-3712 of the *Code of Virginia* were discussed in closed session. The motion which was unanimously approved by roll call vote by: Arnold, Claytor, Davenport, Dibble, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

Mr. Falconer moved to accept the violation in the Informal Fact-Finding Conference which cites the following violation of the Board's regulations:
Count 1: 18 VAC 25-21-790.3

File Number:
2023-00931- John
Wallace Blanchard

Mr. Richardson seconded the motion which was approved 9-1 by:
Ayes: Arnold, Claytor, Davenport, Dibble, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, and Stromberg
Nays: Shreiner

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

After a brief discussion, Mr. Falconer moved to Deny the presiding officer's recommendation to impose the following sanction:

Count 1: 18 VAC 10-20-790.3 – Revocation of License

Mr. Shreiner seconded the motion which was denied 3-7 by:

Ayes: Davenport, Falconer and Shreiner

Nays: Arnold, Claytor, Dibble, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, and Stromberg

Mr. Kainth moved to Approve the presiding officer's recommendation for the sanction and impose the following:

Count 1: 18 VAC 10-20-790.3 – Revocation of License

Ms. Dibble seconded the motion which was approved 7-3 by:

Ayes: Arnold, Claytor, Dibble, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, and Stromberg

Nays: Davenport, Falconer and Shreiner

File Number:
2023-00931- John
Wallace Blanchard
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Mr. Colley and Ms. Drieling returned to the meeting.

Return of Board
Member

The Board recessed at 12:35 p.m. and reconvened at 12:56 p.m.

Recess

Ms. Dibble departed the meeting at 12:35 p.m.

Departure of Board
Member

Mr. Mathews provided updates to the Board on ongoing regulatory review efforts, including feedback received and considerations for proposed changes affecting licensure requirements.

Regulatory Update

Mr. Mathews presented draft regulatory amendments to the Board regarding graduate degree education credit for the architect alternative pathway.

Mr. Colley moved to adopt the text as presented. Ms. Drieling seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dibble, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

Mr. Mathews presented a draft guidance document to the Board addressing the scope of "direct control and personal supervision" for responsible persons. The Board engaged in extensive discussion regarding supervision expectations, including remote work, multi-office oversight, and the responsibilities of licensed professionals in signing and sealing work. Concerns were raised regarding the clarity of definitions, enforcement challenges, and potential risks to public protection. The Board discussed the need for additional clarification.

Mr. Claytor moved to continue working on the guidance and revisit it at a future meeting. Ms. Frost seconded the motion which was approved 10-1 by:

Ayes: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg

Nay: Dreiling

Ms. Nosbisch provided the Board with an update regarding participation in the NCARB Regional Summit. She noted that the region conducted a strategic planning session at the conclusion of the meeting, which was described as engaging and beneficial. She also discussed concerns related to the fraudulent use of licensure, noting that all jurisdictions in the nation are experiencing this issue and it is a problem worldwide. No definitive solution has been identified.

Architects Update

Mr. Colley further noted that he participated in the review of resolutions to be considered by all regions at the upcoming annual business meeting in June. He stated that Region 2 includes jurisdictions from Virginia to New York.

**Architects Update
(cont.)**

Mr. Davenport moved to authorize Mr. Colley, Mr. Falconer, Ms. Drieling and Ms. Nosbisch's participation in the NCARB Regional Workshop. Mr. Stromberg seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

Ms. Nosbisch advised the Board that the Southern Zone Meeting for professional engineers is scheduled for April. It was noted the designated Board members, Mr. Claytor, Mr. Frost, and Mr. Townsend will attend and represent the Board at this meeting. Ms. Nosbisch indicated that she would be unable to attend.

**Professional
Engineers Update**

Mr. Davenport moved to authorize Mr. Claytor, Mr. Frost, and Mr. Townsend for participation in the NCEES Southern Zone Interim meeting. Mr. Stromberg seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by: Arnold, Claytor, Colley, Davenport, Dreiling, Falconer, Frost, Kainth, Richardson, Shreiner and Stromberg.

No update was provided at this time.

**Landscape
Architect Update**

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