

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS SECTION MEETING

MINUTES

The Professional Engineers Section of the Virginia Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects (APELSCIDLA Board) met on August 5, 2008, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia, with the following members present:

Nico De León
Stanley C. Harris
Wiley V. Johnson, III

Staff present for all or part of the meeting were:

Jay W. DeBoer, Director
Kathleen "Kate" R. Nosbisch, Executive Director
Michelle Gowen, Administrative Assistant
Marian H. Brooks, Program Administrator

No representative was present from the Office of the Attorney General.

Mr. Harris, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m.

Call to Order

Mr. Johnson moved to approve the agenda. Mr. De León seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members: De León, Harris, and Johnson.

Approval of
Agenda

There were no comments made to the Section members.

Public Comment
Period

Mr. Harris gave a brief overview of some of the topics to be discussed at the NCEES Annual meeting: the BS+30 and what constitutes the 30 hours; the computer testing task-force and that testing via computers is thought to be a few years away; licensees offering services via business cards; combining the by-laws with the constitution; structural examinations; membership fees which will increase for Board of more than 500 members will also be discussed. Mr. Harris requested that staff provide the other Section members with copies of the Action Items to be discussed at the NCEES Annual meeting and requested their feedback.

Discussion of
Upcoming NCEES
Annual Meeting

The Section members were provided with the summary of comments on the proposed continuing education regulations for review. Ms. Nosbisch noted that the APELSCIDLA Board will be asked to review these comments as well as the draft response at their September 17th meeting.

**Review Summary of
Public Comments**

Mr. Johnson moved to approve the following proposed meeting dates for the Professional Engineers Section for 2009:

**Set 2009 Meeting
Dates**

Tuesday, February 10, 2009;
Tuesday, May 12, 2009;
Wednesday, August 5, 2009; and
Thursday, November 5, 2009.

Mr. De León seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members: De León, Harris, and Johnson.

Mr. Johnson stated that the use of plans including pre-engineered equipment should be required to be reviewed and signed and sealed by a licensed Virginia Professional Engineer in order to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the Commonwealth's citizens. After discussion, the Section members requested that staff place this on the APELSCIDLA September 17th agenda for the full Board to discuss.

**Discussion of Pre-
Engineered
Equipment**

The Section members were provided with various memorandums and notices from NCEES and ABET.

**Review of
Information from
NCEES and ABET**

The Section members took a break from 11:10 a.m. to 11:20 a.m.

Break

Ms. Nosbisch informed the Section members that staff is in need of guidance from the Section on the acceptance of degrees in Integrated Science And Technology (ISAT) degrees from James Madison University (JMU). Mr. De León moved that candidates with an ISAT degree from JMU be required to submit the Course Requirements for Engineering Technology Programs worksheet as well as official transcripts when applying for the PE or EIT examinations. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion which was unanimously approved by members: De León, Harris, and Johnson.

Other Business

The Section members were provided with Board regulation 18 VAC 10-20-230.A and asked if they would like to take action to revise this part of the Board's regulations as the ABET language no longer applies. After review and discussion, the Section members requested that staff place this on the next Professional Engineers Section agenda for November 4, 2008,

for further review.

Ms. Nosbisch noted that PCS is allowing candidates who need to re-take the exams to schedule on-line.

Ms. Nosbisch informed the Section members of the ABET visit to Virginia Tech and noted that Mr. De León would be interested in accompanying them on their visit to represent the Virginia APELSCIDLA Board. Ms. Nosbisch also noted that any Section members attending the visit to Virginia Tech would be responsible for travel fees as the agency is on travel restriction at this time.


The Section members were provided with a letter from the Software Engineering Licensing Consortium. After review and discussion, the Section members requested that staff review the number of Virginia candidates eligible for this and place this matter on the Section's November 4th agenda.

Conflict of Interest forms were completed by all members present.

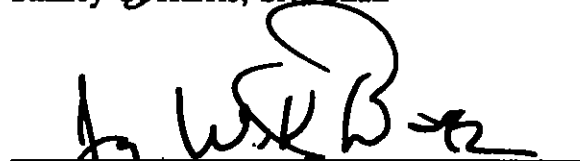
**Conflict of Interest
Forms**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

Adjourn



Stanley C. Harris, Sr., Chair



Jay W. DeBoer, Secretary

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Wiley V. "Bif" Johnson, III
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Professional Engineers Section/APELSCIDLA Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Section Meeting August 5, 2008

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

None

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

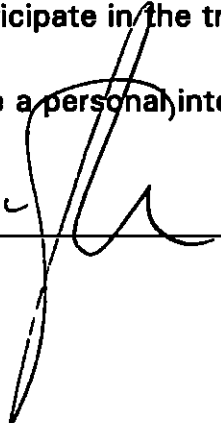
I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Signature



Date

8-5-08

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Nico De León
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Professional Engineers Section/APELSCIDLA Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Section Meeting August 5, 2008

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

None

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

None

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

Engineering

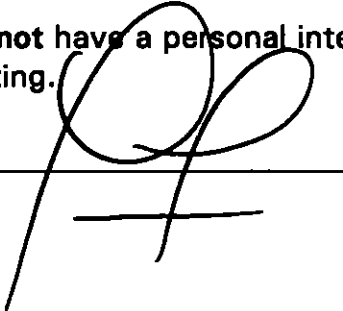
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Signature



Date

8/5/08

**STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS ACT**

**TRANSACTIONAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
for Officers and Employees of State Government**

1. Name: Stanley C. Harris
2. Title: Board Member
3. Agency: Professional Engineers Section/APELSCIDLA Board
4. Meeting/IFF Date: Section Meeting August 5, 2008

5. I have a personal interest in the following transaction:

NONE

Nature of Personal Interest Affected by Transaction:

NONE

I declare that I am a member of the following business, profession, occupation or group, the members of which are affected by the transaction:

VSPE, ASME

I am able to participate in this transaction fairly, objectively, and in the public interest.

or

I did not participate in the transaction.

6. I do not have a personal interest in any transactions taken at this meeting.

Stanley C. Harris
Signature

8/5/2008
Date