

BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LAND SURVEYORS

June 11, 2015

The Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors (Board) convened at 9:00 A.M. at 555 N. Cotner Blvd., Lower Level, Lincoln, NE with the following members present:

Jerry G. Hain, Chair  
Dennis L. Whitfield, Vice-Chair  
Richard L. Hansen  
James W. Hawks  
Mary Pro  
Steven C. Cobb, Secretary

Others present:  
John Jelkin  
Robin Kilgore  
Gerri Monahan

Public notice of this meeting was given by publication in *The Lincoln Journal Star* on May 28, 2015.

All items voted on were done so in the form of a roll call vote.

The Chair stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the updated Nebraska Open Meetings Act and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is available on the table.

Moved by Hawks and seconded by Hansen that the minutes of the April 16, 2015 meeting be approved.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hansen, Hawks, Whitfield.

Absent: Pro.

Motion carried.

Robin Kilgore, State Budget Division, gave an overview of her duties as analyst for the Board and 18 other state agencies.

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Hawks that the Board go into executive session at 9:08 a.m. with Steven C. Cobb and Gerri Monahan present for the purpose of discussing Complaint 14-1.

Voting Aye: Hansen, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Hain.

Motion carried.

The Chairperson stated that the discussion in executive session will be limited to Complaint 14-1.

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Pro that the discussion be suspended and Board return to regular session at 9:35 a.m.

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Hain, Hansen.

Motion carried.

John Jelkin, with the Nebraska Attorney General's Office and attorney representative for the Board, was introduced. Mr. Jelkin reviews regulations and acts as a legal resource for state agencies.

Hain and Whitfield will develop a list of questions for the Attorney General and distribute to board members for further discussion.

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Hawks that the Board return to executive session at 9:47 a.m. with Steven C. Cobb and Gerri Monahan present for the purpose of discussing Complaint 14-1.

Voting Aye: Pro, Whitfield, Hain, Hansen, Hawks.

Motion carried.

The Chairperson stated that the discussion in executive session will be limited to Complaint 14-1.

Moved by Hawks and seconded by Hansen that the Board return to regular session at 9:50 a.m.

Voting Aye: Whitfield, Hain, Hansen, Hawks, Pro.

Motion carried.

Moved by Hawks and seconded by Pro that Secretary Cobb call and send a letter to the LS asking him/her to appear at the next Board meeting and note that failure to appear will cause further action to be taken per statute 81-8,123.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hansen, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield.

Motion carried.

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Hawks that the Board go into executive session at 9:55 a.m. with Steven C. Cobb and Gerri Monahan present for the purpose of discussing Complaint 15-1.

Voting Aye: Hansen, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Hain.

Motion carried.

The Chairperson stated that the discussion in executive session will be limited to Complaint 15-1.

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Pro that the Board return to regular session at 10:03 a.m.

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Hain, Hansen.

Motion carried.

Moved by Hawks and seconded by Pro that Secretary Cobb contact United Engineering and follow up on progress to resolve the complaint.

Voting Aye: Pro, Whitfield, Hain, Hansen, Hawks.

Motion carried.

Hain and Whitfield reported on meeting with Douglas County attorney.

LB 138, the Land Surveyors Act, will become effective August 30, 2015. The Code of Practice will be added to the Board's Rules and Regulations.

Copies of the Board's Rules and Regulations were distributed to the Board for review. Suggested updates reflecting changes in the Act are to be submitted to the Board office within 30 days.

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Hawks that inasmuch as Brian J. Jensen passed the reciprocity examination on May 22, 2015 and has completed the requirements for registration in Nebraska by reciprocity from South Dakota and that upon receipt of the registration fee in the amount of \$100.00 he be granted registration dated June 11, 2015 under Certificate No. 773.

Voting Aye: Whitfield, Hain, Hansen, Hawks, Pro.

Motion carried.

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Hansen that inasmuch as Jeffrey A. Kubota passed the reciprocity examination on May 27, 2015 and has completed the requirements for registration in Nebraska by reciprocity from Kansas and that upon receipt of the registration fee in the amount of \$100.00 he be granted registration dated June 11, 2015 under Certificate No. 774.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hansen, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield.

Motion carried.

TO: BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR LAND SURVEYORS

FROM: Gerri Monahan

DATE: June 11, 2015

RE: Verification of PDHs for LS

I have reviewed the documentation provided by the following to support the hours claimed on his/her Professional Development Form. The following are the results of my review:

Name	Submitted PDHs	Previous Biennium Carry-over	Total	Carry-Over Recommended next Biennium
James Cantrell, LS-694	37 of 37	0	37	7
Dana L. Sperling, LS-642	30 of 30	0	30	0

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Pro to accept the PDH audit report.

Voting Aye: Hansen, Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Hain.

Motion carried.

Results of the NCEES 1504 PS examination and NE two-hour state specific exam were released.

Moved by Whitfield and seconded by Hawks that upon receipt of the registration fee in the amount of \$100 the following named applicants be granted registration effective June 11, 2015 under Class 1 provisions and assigned consecutive LS numbers:

Nicholas P. Siedschlag LS-775  
Evan A. Jasnowski LS-776

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Hain, Hansen.

Motion carried.

Moved by Hawks and seconded by Pro that the following named applicant be allowed to retake the Nebraska two-hour examination at the Board office:

Matthew A. Fouts

Voting Aye: Pro, Whitfield, Hain, Hansen, Hawks.

Motion carried.

Transition of the Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) exam to Computer-Based Testing (CBT) was discussed. April 2016 will be the last date the PS exam will be offered in pencil and paper format. The first PS exam in CBT format will begin October 1, 2016 at approved Pearson VUE testing centers. The Nebraska two-hour state specific exam also was discussed.

Materials for the NCEES Annual Meeting were distributed. Hawks reported on the recent NCEES Central/Northeast Zone meeting.

Moved by Hawks and seconded by Whitfield to approve the following vouchers:

BELF Rent, January 1 – March 31, 2015.....	658.75
Comfort Suites, Hawks Feb. Meeting lodging.....	75.00
DAS Building Div., March parking.....	15.00
DAS IM Service, March static web hosting.....	20.00
DAS Materiel Div., March postage.....	262.86
General Fund reimbursement, third quarter, FY14-15.....	1,312.29
Richard Hansen, April Board Meeting expenses.....	78.20
James Hawks, April Board Meeting travel expense.....	259.90
Gerri Monahan. NCEES Zone registration and airfare.....	750.45
Dennis Whitfield, April Board Meeting expenses.....	57.50

April Total.....\$3,489.95

Comfort Suites, Hawks April Meeting lodging.....	75.00
DAS Building Div., April parking.....	15.00
DAS IM Service, April static web hosting.....	20.00
DAS Materiel Div., April Postage.....	54.72
JP Cooke, seal and freight, Knight.....	28.93

May Total.....\$193.65

Voting Aye: Whitfield, Hain, Hansen Hawks, Pro.

Motion carried.

Hawks moved and Pro seconded to suspend the rules and regulations and cast a unanimous ballot for Whitfield for Chairperson effective July 1, 2015.

Voting Aye: Hain, Hansen, Hawks, Pro.

Voting Nay: Whitfield.

Motion carried.

Hawks moved and Whitfield seconded to suspend the rules and regulations and cast a unanimous ballot for Hansen for Vice-Chairperson effective July 1, 2015.

Voting Aye: Hawks, Pro, Whitfield, Hain.

Voting Nay: Hansen.

Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for August 12.

Hansen moved and Pro seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 11:36 A.M.

All in favor. Motion carried.

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Steven C. Cobb, Secretary