# MINUTES LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS 1917 S. IH 35

### Austin, Texas 78741 May 16, 2018—1:00 PM

**Call to Order**. Dr. Sina Nejad, P.E., Acting Chair, called the Licensing Committee meeting of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers to order at 1:00 pm at the Texas Board of Professional Engineers, 1917 S. IH 35, Austin, TX. A quorum was present. (NOTE: all votes are unanimous unless noted.)

#### 1. Roll call and welcome visitors.

#### The following Committee members were present:

Sina Nejad, Ph.D., P.E. Chair (Acting) Edward L. Summers, Ph.D. Member Kyle Womack, P.E. Member

Sockalingam Kannappan, P.E. Member (Alternate)

Ms. Veena Mohan, Assistant Attorney General, was present to provide legal counsel to the Board. Mr. Jose Guerra, P.E., Advisory Member, was present.

#### The following Committee members were absent:

Lamberto Ballí, P.E. Chair (excused)

#### The following staff members were present:

Lance Kinney, Ph.D., P.E. Executive Director

David Howell, P.E.

Rick Strong, P.E.

Cristabel Bodden

Deputy Executive Director

Director of Licensing

Executive Assistant

**Visitors**: Brett Burnside, Donan Engineering; J. Pete Laney, Attorney, Austin, TX; Kent O'Brien, P.E., O'Brien Engineering; David Shatto, Attorney General's Office, were present.

**Personal Appearances**: William Lee Bishop; Bryan David Cline; Jared Preston Dusha; Jerry Hobbie; Emily Layne Lane; Atchyut Sappa; Oliver Warren Williams.

#### 2. Public comment. None.

Discuss and Possibly Act on the Following (Agenda Items 3-7):

## 3. Discuss and possibly approve the February 14, 2018, Licensing Committee Meeting Minutes.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Summers/Womack) to approve the February 14, 2018, Licensing Committee minutes as submitted. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

- 4. Discuss and possibly act on applications for licensure: Personal Interviews Cases.
  - **William Lee Bishop.** This applicant applied for licensure. He came before the Committee due to recent incidents he reported. The applicant has completed all court requirements. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Summers/Kannappan) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 17, 2018, to approve licensure in Texas. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

• **Bryan David Cline.** This applicant applied for re-licensure. He came before the Committee due to incidents which he did not report. The applicant has completed all court requirements. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

Dr. Nejad announced that we would go into a Closed Session at 2:18 p.m. for Agenda Item #4. Non-critical agency staff and public members were asked to step out of the room for the discussion on Mr. Bryan David Cline and would be allowed to return once the session concluded. No action was taken during the Closed Session. The Licensing Committee reconvened at 2:29 p.m.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Womack/Kannappan) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 17, 2018, to approve re-licensure in Texas. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

• **Jared Preston Dusha.** This applicant applied for licensure. He came before the Committee due to incidents which he did not report. The applicant has completed all court requirements. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Summers/Kannappan) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 17, 2018, to allow licensure in Texas upon successful completion of the 30-hour Basic course from Texas Tech. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

• **Jerry Hobbie.** This applicant applied for licensure. He came before the Committee due to incidents which he did not report. The applicant has completed all court requirements. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Summers/Womack) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 17, 2018, to allow licensure in Texas upon successful completion of the 30-hour Basic course from Texas Tech. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

• **Emily Layne Lane.** This applicant applied for licensure. She came before the Committee due to an incident she reported to the Board. She met previously with the Board and is returning now that probation is complete. The applicant has completed all court requirements. The Committee and applicant discussed her experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Womack/Kannappan) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 17, 2018, to allow her to take the PE exam and receive licensure upon successful passing of the PE exam. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

• **Atchyut Sappa.** This applicant applied for licensure. He came before the Committee due to a recent incident he reported. The applicant has completed all court requirements. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Womack/Summers) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 17, 2018, to allow licensure in Texas. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

• Oliver Warren Williams. This applicant applied for licensure. He came before the Committee due to recent incidents which he did not report. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Womack/Summers) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 17, 2018, to allow licensure in Texas upon successful completion of the 30-hour Basic course from Texas Tech. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

#### 5. Licensing Director's Report.

• Results and Statistics: Application and Examination Report.

Mr. Strong reviewed the report with the Committee members and provided application and exam results. Mr. Strong relayed that a new employee had started within the Licensing Division.

6. Issues for consideration for future board meetings. None.

#### 7. Adjourn.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Womack/Summers) to adjourn the meeting at 2:40 p.m. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

Date minutes were approved by Committee as submitted:
Date Board accepted minutes:

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