

1 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

2 DEPARTMENT OF STATE

3 BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

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5 **FINAL MINUTES**

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7 MEETING OF:

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9 **STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL**

10 **ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND GEOLOGISTS**

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12 TIME: 10:30 A.M.

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14 Held at

15 **YORK COLLEGE OF PENNSYLVANIA**

16 Alumni Hall

17 411 Country Club Road

18 York, Pennsylvania 17403

19 as well as

20 **VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS**

21

22 September 18, 2025

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State Registration Board for Professional
Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists
September 18, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS:

8 Robert P. Kudlawiec, PE-Mining, President
9 G. Windsor Tracy Jr., PLS, Vice President - Absent
10 Arion R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner, Bureau
11 of Professional and Occupational Affairs
12 Martin F. Helmke, PG, Professional Member
13 Lisa Peterson, PE-Electrical, Professional Member
14 Jason Snyder, PE-Civil, Professional Member
15 John J. Luciani, PE-Civil, PLS, Professional Member
16 Scott Reeser, PLS Professional Member
17 Joseph McNally, PG, Professional Member

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

22 Ashley Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel
23 Ray J. Michalowski, Esquire, Board Prosecution
24 Liaison
25 Angela L. Solomon, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
26 Nathan C. Giunta, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
27 Tyesha Miley, Esquire, Board Prosecutor
28 Kristel Hennessy Hemler, Board Administrator
29 Marc Farrell, Esquire, Regulatory Counsel, Office of
30 Chief Counsel, Department of State
31 Shana Walter, Esquire, Deputy Chief Counsel,
32 Prosecution Division

ALSO PRESENT:

37 Ted Mowatt, CAE, Vice President, Wanner Associates,
38 Wanner Intern, Wanner Associates
39 Troy Leighty, Professional Land Surveyor, Morris
40 Knowles
41 John Fuehrer, Fuehrer Engineering and Surveying
42 Services
43 Regina Todd, First Capital Engineering
44 Melissa Cannata
45 Lisa Houser, Environmental Engineer, PA Department of
46 Environmental Protection
47 Danie Bendesky, Special Assistant for Strategic
48 Initiatives
49 Tineke Reali, Interior Designer
50 Jacob Hill, Sargent's Court Reporting Services, Inc.

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6 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act,
7 at 9:00 a.m., the Board entered into Executive
8 Session with Ashley B. Goshert, Esquire, Board
9 Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-judicial
10 deliberations and to receive the advice of counsel on
11 matters currently pending before the Board. The
12 Board returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.]

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The regularly scheduled meeting of the State
Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land
Surveyors and Geologists was held on Thursday,
September 18, 2025. Robert P. Kudlawiec, PE-Mining,
President, called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

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Introduction of Board Members/Attendees

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[Ms. Hemler, Board Administrator, provided an
introduction of Board members and attendees. A
quorum of Board members was present.]

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[Ashley B. Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel, reminded

1 everyone that the meeting was being recorded and
2 voluntary participation constituted consent to be
3 recorded.

4 Ms. Goshert also noted the Board entered into
5 Executive Session with Board counsel for the purpose
6 of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations and to
7 receive the advice of counsel.]

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9 Approval Of Minutes of the July 24th, 2025 meeting

10 MR. KUDLAWIEC:

11 I'd like to get approval of the minutes
12 from the July 24, 2025 meeting.

13 MR. LUCIANI:

14 I have a motion to approve.

15 MR. MCNALLY:

16 Motion to approve. Second.

23 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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25 Report of the Prosecutorial Division

1 [Nathan Giunta, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented
2 the Consent Agreement for Item No. 2, Case No. 24-47-
3 004570.]

4 MR. KUDLAWIEC:

5 Well, hearing no questions, can I get a
6 motion to approve?

7 MR. CLAGGETT:

8 So moved.

9 MR. MCNALLY:

10 Second.

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12 Arion Claggett, aye; Robert Kudlawiec,
13 aye; Martin Helmke, aye; Lisa Peterson,
14 aye; Jason Snyder, aye; Joseph McNally,
15 aye; John Luciani, aye; Scott Reeser,
16 aye.

17 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
18 name at Case No. 24-47-004570 is Anthony J.
19 Tarantino, PE.]

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21 [Nathan Giunta, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented
22 the Consent Agreement for Item No. 3, Case No. 25-47-
23 006568.]

24 MR. KUDLAWIEC:

25 Hearing no questions, can I get a

1 motion to approve?

2 MR. CLAGGETT:

3 So moved.

4 | MR. MCNALLY:

5 Second.

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7 Arion Claggett, aye; Robert Kudlawiec,
8 aye; Martin Helmke, aye; Lisa Peterson,
9 aye; Jason Snyder, aye; Joseph McNally,
10 aye; John Luciani, aye; Scott Reeser,
11 aye.

12 [The motion carried unanimously. The Respondent's
13 name at Case No. 25-47-006568 is Peter Adam Leptuch,
14 PE.]

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16 Appointment - Shana Walter, Esquire, Deputy Chief
17 Counsel - Prosecution Division

18 [Shana Walter, Esquire, Deputy Chief Counsel,
19 discussed her new position as Deputy Chief Counsel
20 for the Prosecution Division. She provided a summary
21 of her professional experience. Ms. Walter thanked
22 the Board and stated she would be providing the
23 Board's annual report at the beginning of next year.]

1 [Marc Farrell, Esquire, Regulatory Counsel, updated
2 the Board on the status of its regulations.

3 He stated the Board continues to have two open
4 regulatory packages. 16A-4716 is the package for the
5 ethics continuing education, which is in the proposed
6 rulemaking process. Mr. Farrell reminded the Board
7 of the steps taken at its last meeting for the
8 package to proceed to the rulemaking process. He
9 anticipated the package to be on track to be
10 submitted to the Independent Regulatory Review
11 Commission once all required approvals are completed.

12 Mr. Farrell then addressed the second open
13 regulatory package. 16A-4717 is the package for
14 engineer intern terminology and the decoupling of the
15 experience requirement from the issuance to the
16 training certificate. Circumstances under the
17 Regulatory Review Act permit moving it right into
18 final rulemaking as the Board is just incorporating
19 changes from a passed statute into the regulations to
20 bring them current.

21 Mr. Farrell opined the 16A-4717 engineer intern
22 terminology change would be completed first since it
23 had been moved right into the rulemaking process.
24 The ethics regulation, 16A-4716, would take a bit
25 longer.]

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2 | Report of Board President

3 [President Robert Kudlawiec stated Lisa Peterson,
4 Windsor Tracy, and he attended the NCES Annual
5 meeting in August 2025. Mr. Kudlawiec informed the
6 Board Lisa Peterson would provide a report later in
7 the meeting.]

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9 | Report of Board Members

10 [Lisa Peterson, Ph.D., PE-Electrical, informed the
11 Board The International Council on Regulations, known
12 as ICR, provided an update on their work. She
13 clarified to the Board members that the ICR covers
14 the disciplines of engineering, surveying,
15 architecture, landscape architecture and interior
16 design.

17 She advised that the ICR was developing a
18 guidance document for the boundaries of practice that
19 will incorporate more refined definitions of same
20 over the forthcoming years. Updates will be given at
21 the NCEES Annual Conferences in the future.

22 Ms. Peterson also reported that David Giltner,
23 CEO of Vital, presented on Artificial Intelligence,
24 stating that it was here to stay and that
25 incorporating it into their strategy was vital. He

1 commented that the companies that were now using it
2 had grown exponentially, and though AI amplifies
3 capability, it does not assume liability.

4 Ms. Peterson continued her presentation by
5 announcing, in the Engineering Forum, NCEES reported
6 the highest record, highest exam volume this year for
7 FE and PE exams. She stated that a subset of 10
8 states who signed their intent to participate in the
9 UK Mutual Recognition Agreement now have the pathways
10 established and working for their licensees. During
11 the last conference, the Northeast Zone passed a
12 motion to add ETAC degrees as a pathway to licensure
13 in Model Law and Model Rules. This motion was to add
14 the ETAC pathway to NCEES Model Rule and Model Law.
15 This was assigned to the Uniform Procedures and
16 Legislative Guidelines Committee of NCEES who added
17 this language to Model Law 130.10 Bravo, 130.10
18 Charlie, and Model Rule 230.20 Alpha. She advised
19 there were other places within Model Law and Model
20 Rules that will need to be updated to remain
21 consistent with this added language.

22 Ms. Peterson then pointed out a note of interest
23 regarding a motion to include an MBA on the NCEES
24 Board as a voting member. She commented there was a
25 debate about this, but ultimately, the motion was

1 referred to the MBA committee and passed. There will
2 be a fully vetted motion approach to the entire
3 Council at the annual meeting in 2026.

4 Ms. Peterson reported on a special session that
5 recently occurred given by Officer Eric Hendricks
6 from the Code Enforcement Officer Safety Foundation.
7 The session informed people, involved with the public
8 on regulatory matters, of ways to reduce their risk
9 of being involved in an altercation during regulatory
10 dialogues and investigations. Officer Hendricks
11 emphasized the importance of people being questioned
12 by investigators or regulatory personnel possibly
13 preparing for physical violence, and therefore
14 imperative for investigators/regulatory personnel to
15 practice de-escalation of the situation and to get
16 out of potentially dangerous circumstances.

17 Ms. Peterson informed the Board that the 2026
18 Annual Conference would be held from August 18 to
19 August 21, 2026, in Henderson, Nevada, and the Joint
20 Central and Northeast Zone Interim meeting would be
21 held May 14 to May 16, 2026, in Columbus, Ohio.
22 This concluded her report.]

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24 Report of BPOA Commissioner - No Report

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1 Report of Board Administrator - Update on Renewals
2 [Kristel Hennessy Hemler, Board Administrator,
3 updated the Board on the renewals.

4 She stated 69.47% of engineers had renewed their
5 license. For the professional geologists, renewals
6 were 74.59% and for the land surveyors, 72.15%. All
7 licenses that had not renewed by the 30th of
8 September will expire. If a licensee was in that
9 situation, they would have to submit a reactivation
10 application to make their license active again. She
11 provided instructions on how to do this.

12 Once the reactivation application is received, it
13 would be reviewed by a reviewing officer, which would
14 take approximately three to five days to process.]

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16 Matters for Discussion

17 MS. GOSHERT:

18 Agenda Item No. 6, Josh Delaney, based
19 on Executive Session deliberations, I
20 believe this Board would entertain a
21 motion to direct Counsel to prepare an
22 Adjudication and Order consistent with
23 the Board's discussion.

24 MR. KUDLAWIEC:

25 Can I get a motion to approve?

1 MR. CLAGGETT:

2 So moved.

3 MR. MCNALLY:

4 Second.

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6 Arion Claggett, aye; Robert Kudlawiec,
7 aye; Martin Helmke, aye; Lisa Peterson,
8 aye; Jason Snyder, aye; Joseph McNally,
9 aye; John Luciani, aye; Scott Reeser,
10 aye.

11 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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13 MS. GOSHERT:

14 Agenda Item No. 7 is the application of
15 Nathan Guntrum. Based on Executive
16 Session deliberations, I believe the
17 Board would entertain a motion to
18 approve that application.

19 MR. KUDLAWIEC:

20 Can I get a motion to approve?

21 MR. CLAGGETT:

22 So moved.

23 MR. MCNALLY:

24 Second.

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1 Arion Claggett, aye; Robert Kudlawiec,
2 aye; Martin Helmke, aye; Lisa Peterson,
3 aye; Jason Snyder, aye; Joseph McNally,
4 aye; John Luciani, aye; Scott Reeser,
5 aye.

6 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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8 MS. GOSHERT:

17 MR. KUDLAWIEC:

20 MR. CLAGGETT:

21 So moved.

22 MR. MCNALLY:

23 Second.

1 aye; Martin Helmke, aye; Lisa Peterson,
2 aye; Jason Snyder, aye; Joseph McNally,
3 aye; John Luciani, aye; Scott Reeser,
4 aye.

5 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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7 | Miscellaneous

8 [Ashley Goshert, Board Counsel, discussed the NCEES
9 Mutual Recognition Agreement with the United Kingdom
10 Engineering Council. US and UK Chartered engineers
11 who hold international credentials may now more
12 easily obtain licensure in each other's
13 jurisdictions. She advised the licensure authority
14 rests with each separate state, and Pennsylvania
15 would need to have the authority of the Board to
16 adopt that agreement.

17 Ms. Goshert confirmed that, unfortunately, Board
18 reciprocity authority was limited to national
19 organizations and other U.S. states only. In the
20 meantime, she made clear that UK engineers could
21 pursue a license here through Act 41. Ms. Goshert
22 suggested it might require a legislative change to
23 enter into that type of agreement. She had spoken to
24 Regulatory Counsel about this matter and will report
25 back to the Board.]

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2 [Ms. Hemler stated President Kudlawiec would be
3 attending the upcoming ABET accreditation at Point
4 Park University on November 16th through the 18th,
5 2025. The Board needed to vote for approval on his
6 travel.]

7 MR. CLAGGETT:

8 Motion to approve.

9 MR. MCNALLY:

10 Second.

17 | [The motion carried unanimously.]

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19 [Ms. Hemler stated NCEES will be awarding Penn State
20 a Surveying Education Award. Despite being invited
21 to attend, no one will be available. Ms. Hemler will
22 provide communication to Penn State acknowledging the
23 invitation.]

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25 [Ms. Hemler stated the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

1 is preparing videos via video streaming for students
2 from kindergarten through 12th graders geared towards
3 professional licensure careers. She thanked Ms.
4 Peterson for her work.]

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6 Correspondence

7 [Ms. Hemler discussed the receipt of a letter from
8 the Pennsylvania Society of Land Surveyors inquiring
9 as to why the Board should change its statute
10 regarding our continuing education preferences. The
11 comments suggested the Board allow for courses in
12 office management and practice building, which are
13 great courses for their licensees.

14 Mr. Luciani noted prior comments about permitting
15 business type courses for continuing education. He
16 stated the concept of some type of business course
17 for CE would benefit the licensee and the profession.

18 Troy Leighty, Professional Land Surveyor, Morris
19 Knowles, and on behalf of the Pennsylvania Society
20 Land Surveyors, discussed his support of the letter.
21 He stated the Pennsylvania Society of Land Surveyors
22 requested the State Registration Board for
23 Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists
24 consider revising its continuing education
25 requirements.

1 Mr. Leighty commented the restriction in courses
2 relating to practice building or office management is
3 outdated. He added, by adding coursework such as
4 this, there would be a reduced mitigation and
5 improvement overall in professional standards.

6 Ms. Goshert stated, from a legal standpoint, a
7 statutory change would be required before the Board
8 could commence with a regulatory change.]

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10 | Adjournment

11 | PRESIDENT KUDLAWIEC:

12 Any public comments for discussion?

15 MR. CLAGGETT:

16 Motion to Adjourn

17 MR. MCNALLY:

18 | Second.

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20 [There being no further business, the State
21 Registration Board of Professional Engineers, Land
22 Surveyors, and Geologists Meeting adjourned at 11:06
23 a.m.]

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2 | CERTIFICATE

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4 I hereby certify that the foregoing summary
5 minutes of the State Registration Board for
6 Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists
7 meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my
8 supervision, and that the minutes accurately
9 summarize the substance of the State Registration
10 Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and
11 Geologists meeting.

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Jacob Hill

Jacob Hill,

Minute Clerk

Sargent's Court Reporting

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1 STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL
2 ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS, AND GEOLOGISTS
3 REFERENCE INDEX
4 September 18, 2025
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6	TIME	AGENDA
7	8 9:00	Executive Session
10	10:30	Return to Open Session
11	10:31	Official Call to Order
12	10:33	Roll Call
13	10:35	Introduction of Attendees
14	10:34	Approval of Minutes
15	10:35	Report of Prosecutorial Division
16	10:39	Appointment - Shana Walter
17	10:41	Report of Regulatory Counsel
18	10:44	Report of President
19	10:51	Report of Board Administrator
20	10:53	Matters for Discussion
21	10:55	Miscellaneous
22	11:01	Correspondence
23	11:06	Adjournment
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