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THE DIRECTOR'S CORNER

by Heather Richardson

Completion of Building Renovations 2016-2017

Our building built in 1955 and purchased by the Board in 2005 has received much needed repairs and renovations. Phase 1-Exterior Repairs, was completed in June 2016 and included a new roof and windows. Phase 2-Interior Renovations was complete in August 2017 and included improvements to the areas of Life

Safety, Building Envelope/Energy Savings, Accessibility/Barrier Removal, Plumbing Codes, Mechanical and Electrical. The Board and staff are enjoying the updated space and we encourage our licensees to visit. The Board is planning an Open House to be held in conjunction with the January Board meeting, details will be forth coming.

Governor Hutchinson makes New Appointments in July 2017

Governor Asa Hutchinson appointed Kyle Salyer, P.E & P.S. as an Engineer Member, replacing Ronnie Hawkins, P.E & P.S. The Governor also re-appointed Engineer Member, H. James Engstrom P.E. The terms of both Members will expire in 2021.

Kyle graduated from the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville with a B.S. Civil Engineering degree in 2000. He has been a Professional Engineer in



Arkansas and Oklahoma since 2004 and a Professional Surveyor in Arkansas since 2009. Kyle began his engineering career as a Summer Engineer Intern with the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) from 1998 to 1999. He joined Hawkins-Weir Engineers as a Staff Engineer following his graduation in 2000. In 2009, Kyle became a partner of Hawkins-Weir and is currently a Director and Vice-President with the Firm. Kyle has previously served as the President and Chairman of the Van Buren Municipal Auditorium Commission and a Director for the American Public Works Association (Arkansas). He has also served on various committees, including the Arkansas Society of Professional Surveyors, Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers, Leadership Crawford County, and American Council of Engineering Companies.

Ronnie Hawkins Retirement from the Board

On a final personal note, I'd like to express gratitude and wish a happy retirement to Ronnie Hawkins P.E & P.S. He was appointed by Governor Mike Beebe in 2009 as the dual member. He has served as Vice-President and President of the Board, and he also served on the Complaint and Building Committees. He provided outstanding guidance, service and commitment to the Board, staff, licensees, and the public. Best wishes for a wonderful retirement.

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Board Elects New Officers for 2017-2018

At its May 2017 meeting, the Board elected Scott Bennett, P.E., and Brian Moore, P.E. as President and Vice-President, respectively.

PRESIDENT Scott Bennett, P.E., Little Rock, Arkansas

Scott graduated from the University of Arkansas - Fayetteville with B.S. and M.S. Civil Engineering degrees in 1989 and 1994 respectively. He has been a Professional Engineer since 1994.

Scott began his career with the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) as a summer employee from 1985 to 1988. Upon graduation, he was hired as a Civil Engineer I – Planning Division. He's held the positions of Planning Engineer, Transportation Engineer, Section Head of Technical Services, Assistant Division Head of Planning and Research, Assistant Division Head of Programs and Contracts, Division Head of Planning and Research, and Assistant Chief Engineer – Planning. In 2011 he became the current Director of the Department.

Scott has also been appointed by Governor Hutchinson to serve on the Governor's Working Group on Highway Funding.

Scott is an Engineer member of the Board, appointed in 2015, and his term will expire in 2019.

BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT Brian Moore, P.E., Springdale, Arkansas



Brian graduated from the University of Arkansas - Fayetteville with a B.S. in Civil Engineering in 1994. He has been a Professional Engineer in Arkansas since 2000. He also maintains P.E. licenses in Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee and Texas.

Brian began his engineering career at Engineering Services, Inc. (ESI) in 1992 while working on his B.S.C.E degree. Upon graduation he became full-time and he is currently Vice President and part owner of ESI.

Brian was one of *Northwest Arkansas Business Journal's* "Forty Under Forty" in 2003, and was named the 2005 Young Engineer of the Year by the Northwest Chapter of the Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers (ASPE). He has previously served as president of the Northwest Chapter of ASPE and the Arkansas Chapter of the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE). He has served on the board of directors for several organizations, including the Springdale Chamber of Commerce, Springdale Rotary Club, and the United Way of Washington County. He has also served on numerous committees, including the Springdale Enhancement Project, the Springdale Growth Task Force, the Utilities Committee of the Springdale City Future Program, the Governance Council of Springdale Tomorrow, and the Springdale Sports Authority.

Brian is an Engineer member of the Board, appointed in 2015, and his term will expire in 2019.



REPORT ON DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS Taken by the Board since October 2016

By Grant Grigg

CASE NUMBER #2013-13, In the matter of Robert Allan Callicot, P.S.

COMPLAINT: Robert Callicot was paid \$1000 by his client Charles McGowan and never provided Mr. McGowan with a survey.

RESOLUTION: On March 14, 2017 Robert Callicot entered into a Consent Agreement and Order with the Board and was assessed a civil penalty of \$1000 for violations of Arkansas Code §17-42-205(a)(1)(K) & §17-42-205(a)(1)(E).

CASE NUMBER #2017-03, in the matter of John Millett, Non Renewed P.E.

COMPLAINT: John Millett conducted engineering services without an active license. Mr. Millett failed to renew his license and provided engineering services on three separate occasions while his license was non-renewed.

RESOLUTION: On August 11, 2017 John Millett entered into a Consent Agreement and Order with the Board and was assessed a civil penalty of \$250 for each violation of Article 1.A of the Rules of the Board and for a total Civil penalty of \$750

CASE NUMBER #2017-05, in the matter of Jason Needham, P.E.

COMPLAINT: Alleged misconduct in practicing engineering. Mr. Needham was convicted of a felony in Federal court in the Western District of Tennessee

RESOLUTION: On August 6, 2017, Needham entered into a Consent Agreement and Order with the Board and surrendered his professional engineer license. Needham was found in violation of Article 14(A)(3) of the Rules of the Board as well as a violation of Arkansas Code Annotated §17-30-305(a)(2)(A).



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2017	Oct	_	NCEES PE/SE exams
	Nov		Veterans day – State offices closed
		14	Meetings of the Complaint Committee & Board
		23-24	Thanksgiving – State offices closed
		TBD	Special Board Meeting (Conference call)
	Dec	25-26	Christmas Eve & Day – State offices closed
2018	Jan	1	New Year's Day – State offices closed
		1	Cut-off date for PE applications for April 2018 exams
		9	Meetings of the Complaint Committee & Board
		15	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday - State offices closed
	Feb	19	President's Day – State offices closed
		TBD	•
	Mar	13	Meetings of the Complaint Committee & Board
	Apr	13-14	
	May		Meetings of the Complaint Committee & Board
	,	TBD	Special Board Meeting (Conference call)
		28	Memorial Day – State offices closed
	July		Independence Day – State offices closed
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	Aug	TBD	Special Board meeting
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	Sept		Labor Day – State offices closed
		11	Board meeting

Rule and Exam Changes....

Surveyor Rules:

The sunset period outlined in a 2009 Rule change (surveyors could qualify for licensure by experience only) ended January 1, 2017.

In 2009, the Arkansas Legislature passed Act 392, changing the licensure qualifications for Surveyor Intern (SI) and Professional Surveyor (PS) applicants effective January 1, 2017. This was soon followed by the Board adopting Rules which incorporated the Act 392 licensure changes.

The most significant change to the Rule, for a SI or PS applicant, was that after January 1, 2017 there would no longer be a path to licensure by experience only. Their qualifications would be based upon a combination of education and experience. You may read about this change in Article 8 of the Board Rules at http://www.pels.arkansas.gov/rulesregsstandards.

Every surveyor's qualifications are unique and if you have any questions about the different paths to licensure please feel free to contact the Board staff.

Arkansas State Specific Surveyor Exam

There is <u>no</u> change to the Part 1 and Part 2 exam schedule for the Arkansas State Specific Exams offered in paper and pencil at the State Fair Grounds in October 27, 2017 and April 13, 2018. Please contact the Board office for more information.

NCEES Exams in Computer-Based Testing (CBT) Format.

Many NCEES exams are already administered in CBT format. They are the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE), Fundamentals of Surveying (FS), and Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) exams.

Effective January 2, 2018 the NCEES Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Chemical exam will also be administered in CBT format. .

The CBT format allows for year round testing at a Pearson Vue test center and gives examinees the freedom to pick the exam time, date and location. Examinees are provided an exam specific electronic copy of the NCEES Reference Handbook which is the only reference material that can be used during the exam. Examinees usually receive their results 7-10 days after the exam. For more information on registering for CBT exams or what to expect on exam day, download the <u>NCEES Examinee Guide</u>.

NCEES Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Exams

NCEES announced that there will be changes to the following exams effective April 2018: Architectural Engineering, Electrical and Computer, Environmental, Structural 16-hour, and Civil-Construction and Structural modules. Visit https://ncees.org/engineering/ for more details.

CONGRATULATIONS to those who passed NCEES exams!

New licenses issued October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS - PRINCIPLES & PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING

Harvie M Attwood 17404 Tyler R Avery 17405 Brian R Bettinardi 17406 Shawn M Biggs 17407 Jennifer C Bingaman 17408 Jarrod Brightwell 17409 Corey W Bryant 17410 Samuel T Clark 17411 Kathryn A Dial 17412 Chester E Duffield, III 17413 Fred R Frasier, PhD 17414 Dillon G Goins 17415 William M Graves 17416 Seth H Halford 17417 Anna J Keogh 17418 Jessica M Hart 17419 Jacob L Hohnbaum 17420 Daniel C Hollinger 17421 Seth O Holt 17422

Charles L Hudson 17423 Robert T Hudson, III 17424 Casey McDaniel Jones 17425 Prashant Kansal 17426 D Kuppuswamy-Gajendran 17427 Jerry T Martin 17428 Benjamin D Marts 17429 John T Metrailer 17430 Jared Parr 17431 Colby T Post 17432 Aric W Reed 17433 Steven R Roderick 17434 Claire Gauthreaux Schoppe 17435 Paul T Semones 17436 David O Smith 17437 Jessica R Temple 17438 Bryan E Walker 17439 Seth A Walters 17440

Kendall White 17441 Jason K Williams 17442 Temper R Williams 17443 Yina Zhang 17444 Evan Bowers 17701 April M Brown 17702 Zachary B Brownlee 17703 Daniel W Bullock 17704 Justin K Carter 17705 Bharathi Chigurupati 17706 Tavis B Clemmer 17707 Logan A Coger 17708 Christopher J Colgan 17709 David M Cook 17710 Brandon D Davis 17711 Eric S Endsley 17712 Mary K Fair 17713 Joshua E Gatlin 17714

Trevor S Grout 17715 Bharathi P Gundurao 17716 Elizabeth S Heiles 17717 Robert B Hill 17718 Christopher W Howell 17719 Christopher T Karamales 17720 Allen D Lewis 17721 Christopher L Lindsey 17722 Caleb J Mudford 17723 Alex R Roofe 17724 Mangesh V Sapre 17725 Ryan P Schoppe 17726 Stephen C Smedley 17727 Christopher J Smith 17728 Nathaniel J Sobin 17729 Andrew R Tilley 17730 Jacob T White 17731 Troy L Wilson, Jr. 17732 Alexander N Jackson 17860

ENGINEER INTERNS - FUNDAMENTALS OF ENGINEERING

Eric Endsley 8657 Daniel Allison 8658 Michael Hicks 8659 Stephen Shatzer 8660 Joseph Mulnik 8661 Kenneth Fuentes 8662 Michael Hansing 8663 Mojtaba A Mohammadi 8664 Hussam Saleem 8665 Caleb Taylor 8666 Bryce Reeks 8667 Miguel Caro-Rodriguez 8668 Joshua Gatlin 8669 Samuel Jenkins 8670 Martin Garcia 8671 Scott Harrison 8672 **Gregory Pinkston 8673** Tyler Feemster 8674 Evan Schrodel 8675 Andrew Dugan 8676

Chad Fulgham, Lt. 8678 Joshua Clyde 8679 Saipavan Rallabhandhi 8680 Joshua Perry 8681 Cody Bennett 8682 Jeffrey Madden 8683 Kyle Zulkosky 8684 Seth Cagle 8685 Andrew Griffin 8686 Quinton Humbard 8687 Wesley LeMonier 8688 Andrew Morgan 8689 Ryan Watson 8690 Kyle Crane 8691 James Vaughan 8692 Alexander Halloran 8693 Clovis Desrochers 8694 Josilyn Mitchell 8695 Michael Deschenes 8696 Patrick Barnes 8697 Garrett Dunnam 8698

William Wehmeyer, Jr. 8699 Istiaque Mahmud 8700 A M Feroze Rashid 8701 Yi Zhao 8702 Cory Cotter 8703 Kenneth Pasley 8704 Frank Maloy 8705 Brianna Ovuoba 8706 Bonesphore Nsengiyukuri 8707 Kyle McCraw 8708 Michael Steele 8709 Tapeka Pringle 8710 Jean Pamphile N Kunda 8711 Tyler Brafford 8712 Eric Winston 8713 Blandine T M Kemayou 8714 Rashawn Burrows 8715 Christopher Tompkins, IV 8716 Joshua Tompkins 8717 Hannah Tyler 8718 Weston Conard 8719

Megan Land 8720 Matthew Wendel 8721 Kevin Johnson 8722 **Braden Stevens 8723** TRACIE OLOO 8724 Lance Payerli 8725 Andrew Townsend 8726 Joseph Conatser 8727 Robert Digby 8758 Corey B Bevis 8759 Josh Chatham 8760 Jason W Lea 8761 Chase Webb 8762 Reed A Hill 8763 Chris Bridges 8764 Derek K Gilstrap 8765 Jason T Norwood 8766 Patrick R Phillips 8767 Kelly B Vance 8768 Joshua K Buchner 8769 Andrew C Leblanc 8770

PROFESSINAL SURVEYORS - PRINCIPLES & PRACTICE OF SURVEYING

Irene J Makune 8772 Nathan D H Ward 8773 Nazmul H Chowdhury 8774 Joseph Jabo 8775 Arun Kumar Rajagopalan 8776 Ethan Baker 8777 Rebecca Zapata 8778 Patton S Conroy 8779 Travis D Buckneberg 8780 Chad C Collins 8781 Tanner Harris 8782 Taylor E McBride 8783 Mohammad B Ahsan 8784 Haley L McLaughlin 8785 Kashoua Thor 8786 Mark Z Kelloms 8787 Mohammad Alqudsi 8788 Kylie J Farrar 8789 Curtis A Morace 8790 Aaron K Hamilton 8791 Rami S Fares 8792

Joshua D Norton 8771

SURVEYOR INTERNS -

Zachary Smith 8677

FUNDAMENTALS OF SURVEYING

Brian Watson 694 Wesley Luker 695 Kenneth Springer, Jr. 696 Nathan Xiques 697 Joshua Bembenek 698 Nancy Barnett 1810 John Dennis, PhD 1811 William Gaston 1812 Lilly J Robert 1813 Carroll Moreland, Jr. 1814 Daniel Phillips 1815 Justin Taffner 1816 Brandon Wood 1817 Darby Spurlock 1823 James Williams 1824 Brian D Atchley 1825 Heath Myers 1826 Kyle Brownsberger 1831 Jeffrey Cannatella 1832 Justin Cody 1833 Clayton Crotts 1834 Monica Frey 1836 Joshua Neely 1841 James Newton 1842



National Council of Examination for Engineers and Surveyors

News and Updates

NCEES launched a new full service database on June 20, 2016. According to NCEES, the MyNCEES was designed to focus on their customers, whether state licensure boards or examinees. From the website, the customer is able to register for exams, download/purchase exam prep materials, apply for an NCEES Record, develop a licensing record, or credentials evaluated for a board.

This year's NCEES Annual Meeting was held in Miami Beach, Florida on August 23-26, 2017. The Arkansas Board was well represented by Vice President Brian Moore, David Beasley and Ivan Hoffman. Some of the highlights of the meeting include reduction in FE and FS exam prices beginning in 2018, decoupling exams and licensure, and the development of a NCEES U.S. Public Lands Survey System (PLSS) exam module.

Due to the success of the Computer Based Test (CBT) fundamentals exams and the Principles and Practice of Surveying examination, NCEES has notified the Board that they are in the process of converting all exams to CBT. NCEES will offer the first CBT for the Principles and Practice of Engineering Chemical examination in January 2018. This exam will now be offered year round with 4 test cycles. The remaining NCEES Principles and Practice Engineering exams will be offered paper and pencil at the state fairgrounds October 27th-28th, 2017.

If you have any questions or comments for NCEES, please contact them directly through their website NCEES.org, online at MyNCEES, or call 1-800-250-3196.

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