### Minutes for

# The Florida Board of Professional Engineers March 17, 2022, beginning at 8:30 a.m. or soon thereafter Via video conference

## Thursday, March 17, 2022

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Determination of Quorum, and Address Absences.

Mr. Drury called the meeting to order. Ms. Sammons called roll.

### **Board Members Present:**

Scott Drury, P.E., Chair

Dylan Albergo, P.E., Vice Chair

Kevin Fleming, P.E.

Jeb Mulock, P.E.

Yassi Myers, P.E.

John Pistorino, P.E.

Denise Ramsey, P.E.

Pankaj (PJ) Shah, P.E.

Babu Varghese, P.E., S.I.

## **Attorney General's Office:**

Lawrence Harris, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Counsel to the Board

### **Staff Members Present:**

PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS Zana Raybon, Executive Director John J. Rimes, III, Chief Prosecuting Attorney Rebecca Sammons, Assistant Executive Director

B. Introduction of guests and announcements as to presentations at a time certain

Rebecca Valentine, Paralegal, FBPE

- C. FBPE Mission and Scope
  - #1. FBPE's Mission: To protect the health and safety of the public by properly regulating the practice of engineering within the State of Florida.

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#2. FBPE's Scope: To meet its statutory obligation and exercise its legislative authority by reviewing and approving engineering applications; managing, updating and enforcing the rules that govern the practice of engineering and to guard against the unlicensed practice of engineering within the State of Florida.

## D. Approval of the Agenda

Upon motion by Ms. Myers, seconded by Ms. Ramsey, to approve the agenda, the motion passed.

E. Re-Review of Licensure Application – McDaniel, Reid

Mr. Harris explained that the application is back before the board because at the February 2022 board meeting, the board voted to issue a Notice of Intent to Deny but when staff was preparing the notice, staff discovered that the applicant completed his master's degree in December 2018, but it was not conferred until May 2019. Because of the earlier completion date (not the date conferred), applicant has the required experience time.

Upon motion by Mr. Pistorino, seconded by Mr. Fleming, to vacate the Notice of Intent to Deny and approve the application, the motion passed.

# **Disciplinary Hearings**

- F. Settlement Stipulation
  - #1. Cardenas, Adrian, P.E. (CE Case-Required appearance)

P.E. Number: 73141

FEMC Case Number: 2021045382

Probable Cause Panel Date: November 09, 2021 A BOARD OF

Probable Cause Panel: Matthews, Albergo & Pepper

Mr. Cardenas was present and sworn in prior to addressing the board. Mr. Rimes outlined the facts of the case. The charges relate to a violation of Section 471.033(1)(a), F.S.: Violating ... any other provision of this chapter or rule of the board or department. Rule 61G15-19.001(6)(s), F.A.C.: Renewing or reactivating a license without completion of Continuing Education (CE) hours.

The Probable Cause Panel recommendation was administrative costs of \$72.15; appearance before the Board to discuss how this situation occurred, what improvements and quality control measures will be implemented to prevent this circumstance from occurring in the future: Auburn P&E Course; and successful completion of the Board's Study Guide.

The Settlement Stipulation is the same as the PCP recommendation.

Upon motion by Mr. Pistorino, seconded by Mr. Shah, to accept the settlement stipulation, the motion passed.

#2. Novoa, Jorge, P.E. (CE Case-Required appearance)

P.E. Number: 75364

FEMC Case Number: 2021055662 Probable Cause Panel Date: January 12, 2022

Probable Cause Panel: Matthews, Varghese & Hahn

Mr. Novoa was present and sworn in prior to addressing the board. Mr. Rimes outlined the facts of the case. The charges relate to a violation of Section 471.033(1)(a), F.S.: Violating ... any other provision of this chapter or rule of the board or department. Rule 61G15-19.001(6)(s), F.A.C.: Renewing or reactivating a license without completion of Continuing Education (CE) hours.

The Probable Cause Panel recommendation was administrative costs of \$68.25; appearance before the Board to discuss how this situation occurred, what improvements and quality control measures will be implemented to prevent this circumstance from occurring in the future: Auburn P&E Course; and successful completion of the Board's Study Guide.

The Settlement Stipulation is the same as the PCP recommendation.

Upon motion by Mr. Shah, seconded by Mr. Pistorino, to accept the settlement stipulation, the motion passed.

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The meeting adjourned at 8:45am.