

**MINUTES**

**STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS**  
**Wednesday, March 20, 2019**  
**At 8:30 a.m. in Room W064**  
**Indiana Government Building South, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204**

**Members Present:**

Vincent Drnevich  
Stephen Gillman - Chair  
Opal Kuhl – Vice Chair  
Harold Snead - Electronically

**Members Absent:**

**Attending Administrative Staff:**

Amy Hall - Board Director  
Christina Shea-Russell - Assistant Board Director  
Donald 'Ned' Hannah - Board Counsel

**Court Reporter:**

Circle City Reporting – Dianne Lockhart

**CALL TO ORDER** – Steve Gillman called to order the meeting at 8:32 a.m.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** – A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda.  
Motion made by Opal Kuhl and seconded by Vince Drnevich to approve the agenda.  
Motion passes 4/0/0

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 17, 2018 BOARD MEETING**

Motion made by Vince Drnevich and seconded by Opal Kuhl to approve the agenda.  
Motion passes 4/0/0

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

#### **IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCE**

1. **Mark Kuhlman** – Comity Application

Mark Kuhlman appeared before the board to discuss his application and his prior substance abuse problem. He has been sober and has progressed in a positive way with his life. He has been sober for over ten years (alcohol) and from marijuana for over five year. Mr. Kuhlman still attends weekly meetings for substance abuse. He is currently licensed in Illinois (probation) and Missouri.

Motion made by Opal Kuhl and seconded by Vince Drnevich for the approval of his application.

Motion Carries 4/0/0

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

2. **Norman Lee** – Comity Application

Norman Lee appeared before the board to discuss his application and the reason he was called before the board today. There were domestic issues with his wife/ex-wife. There were misdemeanor charges due to issues most recently. The board also reviewed Mr. Lee's education with him and were provided course information on his education.

Motion made by Opal Kuhl and seconded by Vince Drnevich for the license to be issued on probation. Requirements associated with the probation are – report on an annual basis – activities and any legal issues - with the first report due in December 2019 and the second in December 2020. He may petition the board to be removed from probation after he submits these, and the board approves his second report.

Motion Carries 4/0/0

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

#### **REPORT FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE**

Jennifer Barth provided a report from the attorney general's office of current complaints 11 open and closed complaints. Complaints and activity have increased. Jennifer stated there are over roughly 1400 cases open within her office at any given time.

## ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

3. **David Matthew Katzer – Cause No: 2019SBRPE0001**  
Petition for review of Denied Application

Six-hour deficiency in math instead of 9 hours.  
One hour deficient in calculus-based course in the physical and life sciences category – (6 hours must be calculus-based in the physical and life sciences category; only one 5-hour course, Physics P221 qualifies).

Motion made by Opal Kuhl and seconded by Vince Drnevich for the denial of his application.  
Motion Carries 4/0/0

### ROLL CALL VOTE

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

2. **Firooz Zandi – Cause No 2018SBPRE0003**  
Summary Suspension Extension

Motion made by Vince Drnevich and seconded by Opal Kuhl to approve the extension of the summary suspension.  
Motion Carries 4/0/0

### ROLL CALL VOTE

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

## OLD/NEW BUSINESS

1. **NCEES Annual Meeting August 14 – 17 – Delegates Needed**  
Steve Gillman, Vince Drnevich and Harold Snead will be attending the NCEES Annual Meeting in Washington D.C. as representatives from Indiana.

### **CE Audit Status**

Currently one half of the people audited have submitted their continuing education. There are still 70 people that have not submitted their continuing education. A notice will be sent after April 30, 2019 for those who have not completed the audit. Vince will touch base with Purdue about some certificates that have been submitted by engineers that don't have dates or number of hours.

Opal asked about the NSPE newsletter and its frequency in publishing. Vince stated an issue comes out every two months. The IPEJ has published board news on a regular basis in the past. The board supplies valuable information to IPEJ. In 2017 the Board asked to have a link to the IPEJ included on the website and on the newsletter. This provided people access to extremely valuable information. It was asked when the next board newsletter would be published. Julia Camara, who worked on the newsletter, is no longer working in IPLA. Vince will be submitting an article too, to show licensees and the public how to access the meeting minutes.

Vince also discussed the alarming decrease in FE candidates. He has been researching how many people have been taking the FE. He did review the Purdue statistics and will submit his findings and questions he has and will double check with Tim Miller from NCEES. Vince will provide his findings in a report to Purdue and then will report to the board.

NSPE – NSPE has an active blog. There has been much discussion about technology students obtaining licensure. The Dean of Technology from IUPUI has been a huge proponent of blog postings for engineering technology people.

Open positions on the board – The board is still in the need of appointees. There are three open spots on the board.

Motion to adjourn made by Opal Kuhl and seconded by Vince Drnevich.  
Motion 4/0/0

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Vincent Drnevich	Yay
Stephen Gillman	Yay
Opal Kuhl	Yay
Harold Snead	Yay

**ADJOURNMENT 11:02 a.m.**