

KENTUCKY STATE BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF LICENSURE MEETING  
JANUARY 30, 2026**

KENTUCKY ENGINEERING CENTER  
FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Joshua Calico, PLS, Chair  
Ryan Griffith, PE, Secretary/Treasurer  
Gregory Meredith, PE  
Kyle Chism, PE  
James Knoth, PLS  
Don Pedigo, PLS  
Rudolph Buchheit, Ph.D.  
Clint Goodin, PE, PLS  
Michael Vickers, PE

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Douglas Klein  
Emmanuel Collins, Ph.D.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kyle Elliott, PLS, Executive Director  
Heather Baldwin, PE, PLS, Director of Enforcement  
Jake Miller, J.D., General Counsel  
Wanda Jordan, Executive Assistant  
Sarah Uzzle, Assistant to the Director  
Shane Beaubien, Board Investigator  
Caleb Houchens, Board Investigator

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Russ Romine

- 1. Opening of Meeting** – Joshua Calico called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.
  - 1.1 Approval of Agenda** – James Knoth moved to approve the agenda. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
  - 1.2 Introduction of New Board Members and Oaths of Office** – Kyle Elliott introduced new Board Members Clint Goodin, PE, PLS and Michael Vickers, PE. Mr. Goodin and Mr. Vickers were administered their oaths of office.
  - 1.3 Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest** – Mr. Calico asked if any member had a conflict with any agenda item. No members indicated a conflict.

**1.3 Approval of Minutes** – Gregory Meredith moved to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2025, meeting. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**2. Information - Enforcement**

**2.1 Franklin Circuit Court** - None

**2.2 Actions of the Executive Director**

**2.2.1 Closed Cases** – Heather Baldwin presented a tabulation of cases closed during the fourth calendar quarter of 2025 with actions other than disciplinary actions. Kyle Chism moved to accept the Closed Cases listing. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**2.3 Year End Enforcement Report** – Ms. Baldwin presented the 2025 Year End Enforcement Report, answered questions of the Board, and then asked for acceptance of the Report. Don Pedigo moved to accept the 2025 Year End Enforcement Report. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**2.4 Joseph B. Curd, Jr. v KYBOELS** – Jake Miller discussed the recent decision by the Kentucky Supreme Court to deny Curd’s motion for discretionary review.

**3. Action Items - Enforcement**

**3.1 Board Actions - None**

**3.2 Settlement Agreements/Consent Decrees**

**3.2.1 William E. McAlpin, Jr., and Eagle Engineering & Associates, LLC** – Ms. Baldwin presented the terms of the Settlement Agreement with William E. McAlpin, Jr. and Eagle Engineering & Associates, LLC, and asked for the Board’s approval. Mr. Pedigo moved to approve the terms of the agreement. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**3.2.2 Hamby Consulting, LLC** – Ms. Baldwin presented the terms of the Settlement Agreement with Hamby Consulting, LLC, and asked for the Board’s approval. Ryan Griffith moved to approve the terms of the agreement. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**4. Action Items – Other**

**4.1 Financial Report** – Mr. Elliott presented the financial report for the second fiscal quarter of 2026. Mr. Pedigo moved to accept the financial report. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**4.2 Ad Interim Actions of the Executive Director** – Mr. Elliott presented the Ad Interim actions for the fourth calendar quarter of 2025. Mr. Pedigo moved to accept the Ad Interim report. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **4.3 Applications**

**4.3.1 Denied/Rejected applications** – Mr. Elliott presented the list of denied and rejected applications for the fourth calendar quarter of 2025. Mr. Vickers moved to accept the denied and rejected application list. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**4.4 Board Member Orientation Manual** – Mr. Elliott discussed proposed updates and changes to the Board Member Orientation Manual and asked for Board approval of these changes. Mr. Chism made a motion to approve the updates and changes to the Board Member Orientation Manual. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **4.5 Executive Committee**

**4.5.1 January 29, 2026, meeting** – Mr. Calico updated the Board about the Executive Committee meeting from the previous day.

**4.5.2 July 17, 2025, committee meeting minutes** – Mr. Calico presented the Executive Committee meeting minutes from their July 17, 2025, meeting and made a motion from the Committee for the Board to accept those minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

### **4.6 Engineering Committee**

**4.6.1 January 29, 2026, meeting** – Mr. Chism updated the Board about the Engineering Committee meeting from the previous day.

**4.6.1.1 Equivalent Education Request** – Ali Alghothani requested a determination from the Board that his undergraduate degree, a bachelor’s degree in civil engineering from the University Aleppo, in Syria, combined with his Master’s in Civil Engineering and Doctorate degree in Civil Engineering from Ohio State University are equivalent to an engineering degree accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology. The Ohio Board and the Indiana Board had already determined his education met their requirements. Mr. Chism made a motion from the Engineering Committee for the Board to approve this request. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**4.6.2 July 17, 2025, committee meeting minutes** – Mr. Chism presented the Engineering Committee meeting minutes for their July 17, 2025, meeting and made a motion from the Committee for the Board to accept those minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **4.7 Surveying Committee**

**4.7.1 January 29, 2026, meeting** – Mr. Knoth updated the Board about the Surveying Committee meeting from the previous day.

**4.7.1.1 Reinstatement Application of Beckham B. Barnes** – Mr. Knoth discussed the reinstatement application of Beckham B. Barnes and the Committee’s recommendation to deny the application as Mr. Barnes’ reinstatement application, license file, professional references, and experience verifications do not demonstrate Mr. Barnes meets the regulatory and statutory requirements for reinstatement of his professional land surveying license. A Denial of Application for Reinstatement setting out the reasons for denial of Mr. Barnes’ application for reinstatement, which was prepared by the Board’s general counsel per the Committee’s directive, was presented to the Board. After review and discussion of the Denial of Application for Reinstatement, Mr. Knoth made a motion from the Committee for the Board to deny the reinstatement application of Beckham B. Barnes and to enter the Denial of Application for Reinstatement, which sets out the specific reasons for the denial of Mr. Barnes’ application. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**4.7.2 October 16, 2025, meeting** – Mr. Knoth presented the Surveying Committee meeting minutes from their October 16, 2025, meeting and made a motion from the Committee for the Board to accept those minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**4.8 Joint Engineering and Surveying Committee motion** – Mr. Chism and Mr. Knoth made a joint motion from the Engineering and Surveying Committees for the Board to approve the proposed changes to 201 KAR 18:072, Experience regulation. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **4.9 Standard of Practice Task Force Committee**

**4.9.1 January 5, 2026, meeting** – Mr. Calico updated the Board on the Task Force Committee meeting from January 5, 2026.

**4.9.2 November 3, 2025, and January 5, 2026, meeting minutes** – Mr. Calico presented Task Force Committee meeting

minutes from their November 3, 2025, and January 5, 2026, meetings and made a motion from the Committee for the Board to accept those minutes. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**4.9.3 Task Force Committee recommendation – 201 KAR 18:150, Standards of Practice** – Mr. Calico made a motion from the Task Force Committee for the Board to approve the proposed changes to 201 KAR 18:150, Standards of Practice, and direct Board staff to begin the administrative regulation change process. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**5. Information Items – Other**

**5.1 General Update from the Executive Director** - Mr. Elliott provided the Board with recent activity of the Board of Licensure’s staff.

**5.2 NCEES Bylaws Committee update** – Mr. Meredith updated the Board about his work on the NCEES Bylaws Committee.

**5.3 Kentucky/National Quarterly Exam Results** – Mr. Elliott provided a summary of the engineering and surveying exam results from the fourth calendar quarter of 2025.

**5.4 National Society of Professional Engineers – Kentucky** – Russ Romine updated the Board on recent and upcoming events from the National Society of Professional Engineers, Kentucky.

**5.5 Kentucky Association of Professional Surveyors** – none

**6. Election of Board Officers for 2026** – Mr. Elliott provided the Board with a potential slate of candidates for Board officers in 2026. Mr. Knoth made a motion for a slate of candidates of officers of the Board for 2026 be:

Chair – Ryan Griffith  
Vice Chair – Gregory Meredith  
Secretary/Treasurer – Don Pedigo

The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Elliott discussed the upcoming NCEES Southern Zone meeting, April 23 – 25, 2026, in Carolina, PR.

**7. Adjournment** – There being no further business, Mr. Goodin moved to adjourn. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 A.M.

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Joshua Calico, PLS, Chair