

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS AND MAPPERS

I. General Information

Meeting dates: Committee/General Business Meeting January 12-13, 2004. The meeting was held at the Casa Monica Hotel, St. Augustine, FL

Board members present: Pamela Nobles, Omar Armenteros, Dennis Blankenship, Louis Lebron Jeffrey Cooner, Beverly Sutphin, Lou Bush.

Board members absent: Sidney Greer, Francis Poppell.

Department Representatives: Jerry Wilson, Deputy Director, Division of Professions and Regulation.

II. Major Issues/Actions

- 2 disciplinary cases
- 10 informal hearings of application denials, 4 applicants were approved by exam, 1 applicant was approved by endorsement and the board voted to uphold 5 denials.
- Board reviewed 5 applications, 1 by endorsement, 4 applications by examination, 3 applications approved and 2 applications denied.
- Probable Cause Panel reviewed 25 cases, 22 cases probable cause was found, 3 cases were referred back to the Department for further investigation.
- Board held a Positional Accuracy and MTS Workshop to update the current Minimum Technical Standards. To be continued at next meeting.
- Quarterly enforcement reports, licensed and unlicensed were reviewed.
- Discussion of prosecution for unlicensed activity/aerial surveying cases.
- Examinations of first quarter financial reports.
- Discussion of pending cash sweep and resulting impact on financial condition of board.
- Discussion of Florida Surveyors and Mappers Society electronically reporting CE credits directly to the Department for attendance at chapter meetings.
- Concern that some members are not receiving CE credits on record for meeting attendance, staff will check on procedure.
- Discussion regarding member attendance at professional conferences.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Progress report by committee on nine rules changes pending.

IV. Action Required

- Schedule April 7-8, 2004 meeting in Ft. Myers, Florida
- Continue to work with the Department's Bureau of Education and Testing to make constant improvements to the continuing education program for Professional Surveyors and Mappers.

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