

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
**BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS AND MAPPERS**

**I. General Information**

Meeting Type: Application Review Committee, Probation Committee, Continuing Education Committee, Rules Workshop, Privatization Committee, and General Business Meeting

Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 11, 2006, through Thursday, April 13, 2006

Meeting Location: Casa Monica Hotel  
95 Cordova Drive  
St. Augustine, Florida

Attendees:

**Members Present**

Dennis Blankenship, Chair  
Jeffrey Cooner, Vice Chair  
Lou Bush  
Sidney Greer  
Pamela Nobles  
Louis Lebron  
Beverly Sutphin  
Mary-Hanna Clodfelter

**Members Absent**

(None)

**Others Present**

Richard Morrison, Executive Director, DBPR  
Christa Patterson, Government Analyst, DBPR  
Eric Hurst, Assistant General Counsel, DBPR  
Brian Stabley, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

**II. Major Issues/Actions**

- The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) gave an overview of the cost and types of exams they could provide to the board. In the board's quest to privatize, this presentation was requested by Privatization Committee Chairperson, Pamela Nobles. Mrs. Nobles also invited BET to present an overview of services they provide to the board.
- The examination process was discussed and a motion was made to draft a rule to allow applicants only three attempts to pass the exam for licensure. Mr. Stabley, Board Counsel, will draft proposed language for the board to consider at their July 2006 meeting. Mrs. Nobles recommended that the entire board review the exam, and the board agreed. As requested by the board, BET will make the exam available to the board when the board meets in Tallahassee, January 2007.
- Privatization issues were discussed, and the board agreed unanimously to continue to pursue privatization of the board. The business case report was also discussed, and the board asked Mrs. Nobles to continue working on the business case report response.

Mrs. Nobles was also charged with developing the six major areas of concern, which were lacking in the business case: staffing, budgeting, investigation, testing, continuing education, and performance standards. These concerns were brought to the board's attention by the reply to the business case report from the Division of Management Services, Office of Procurement Excellence.

### **III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation**

- The board reviewed Chapter 61G17-6.003, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), and discovered that they had adopted it with some duplicate language errors. This rule involves Minimum Technical Standards (MTS) and the board unanimously passed motions to repeal Rules 61G17-6.0031, 61G17-6.005, 61G17-6.0051, 61G17-6.0052, 61G17-6.006, and 61G17-6.007 which contained the duplicitous language.
- The board reviewed Rule 61G17-9.004(1) F.A.C., which allows the department to issue a notice of non-compliance to a licensee's first time violation of practicing on a delinquent or inactive license. The board passed a motion to delete the language so that the violation would be handled through the disciplinary process.
- The board reviewed Rule 61G17-9.004(2) F.A.C., and passed a motion to increase the fine for first time violation of the prohibition against false, fraudulent, deceptive or misleading advertising from \$250.00 to \$500.00.
- The board reviewed Rule 61G17-9.004(3) F.A.C., and passed a motion to increase the fine for practicing on a delinquent or inactive license from \$500.00 to \$1000.00

### **IV. Action Required**

- The board counsel will draft proposed language to rules changes for discussion at the July 2006, meeting.
- Board counsel will draft proposed language to limit an applicants number of attempts for completing the surveyors and mappers exam.

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Richard Morrison  
Executive Director