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**RULES & REGULATIONS COMMITTEE**

Minutes of Meeting

June 12, 2009

Members present:

Carl Tappert, Chair

Dan Linscheid

John Seward

Mari Kramer

Staff present:

Mari Lopez, Executive Secretary

Jenn Gilbert

Others present:

Katharine Lozano, Assistant Attorney General

Grant Davis (observer)

Amin Wahab (observer)

The meeting of the Rules and Regulations Committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room of the Oregon State Board of Examiners for Engineering and Land Surveying (OSBEELS) office at 670 Hawthorne Avenue SE, Suite 220, Salem, OR 97301.

**New Business:**

OAR 820-010-0470 – Review of Examinations & OAR 820-010-0480 – NCEES Examinations

The Committee reviewed a draft of the Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 820-010-0470 – Review of Examinations. The draft language intended to differentiate between the examinations administered by the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) and those administered by the Board. Specifically, NCEES does not allow for the review or appeal of national examinations. It was also noted that the Washington Board and the California Board does not allow for the review or appeal of the Structural III and Geotechnical examinations, respectively. After discussion, **the Committee approved the draft rules for presentation during the July Board meeting for approval to begin the rulemaking process.**

OAR 820-010-0620 – Official Seals

The Committee reviewed a memo from staff requesting input on matter related to the Official Seal. Previous exhibits of the Official Seal included the option for a registrant to add their designation after the registration number (e.g., 12345PE, 12345PLS). After a brief discussion, the Committee determined that this option is no longer available since the option is not contained in the current language in OAR 820-010-0620 and Exhibit 1. For consistency, language contained in OAR 820-010-0620(2)(b) referring to “PTE” after a license number, will be deleted.

Staff also informed the Committee that a new feature is now available for the on-line OAR Compilation maintained with the Secretary of State Archives. Tables, charts, and exhibits referred to in rule can now be incorporated in the on-line version. Therefore, after a brief

discussion, the Committee stated the preference to include all seals together at the end of the rule. **The Committee approved the draft rule for presentation during the July Board meeting for approval to begin the rulemaking process.**

#### References –

The Committee reviewed the rules for applications to the Board that included OAR 820-010-0200 through 820-010-0208, OAR 820-010-0212 through 820-010-0215, OAR 820-010-0227, and OAR 820-010-0228. Draft language was included in each rule to clarify that references must be provided on the Reference Details forms and submitted in sealed envelopes. After a brief discussion, the Committee determined that the language was only necessary in OAR 820-010-0215 – Forms of Applications. **The Committee approved the draft rule for presentation during the July Board meeting for approval to begin the rulemaking process.**

#### Unfinished Business:

##### OAR 820-010-0225(2) & OAR 820-010-0226(2) – Official Transcripts

The Committee reviewed drafts of OAR 820-010-0225(2) and OAR 820-010-0226(2). The revised language was included to clarify that an official transcript must be received within 6 months of taking the examination. **The Committee approved the draft rules for presentation during the July Board meeting for approval to begin the rulemaking process.**

##### OAR 820-010-0520 & OAR 820-010-0530 – Active Duty Military

The Committee reviewed drafts of OAR 820-010-0520 and OAR 820-010-0530 regarding the status an active duty military registrant may place their registration. Advice was given by AAG Lozano regarding the biennial renewal and fee requirements as they pertain to registrants in active duty military service, registrants returning from military service, and registrants who are civilians employed by a branch of the armed forces. After further discussion, the Committee determined that additional work was needed and directed staff to secure OAR 820-010-0540 to hold a rule for Inactive United States Military Registrants. Further work will be completed during the August meeting on OAR 820-010-0530 and OAR 820-010-0540. However, **the Committee approved the draft of OAR 820-010-0520 for presentation during the July Board meeting for approval to begin the rulemaking process.**

#### Legislation 2009:

SB 274 – Staff informed the Committee that SB 274 appeared to pass during the May 29, 2009 Work Session. However, the bill was supposed to go to the House Floor on Monday, June 7, 2009. There had been no further movement.

HB 2457 – Staff informed the Committee that there was no consideration or comments heard on HB 2457 during the May 29, 2009 Work Session. All interested parties have agreed not to push HB 2457A and its various amendments during this legislative session.

The meeting adjourned at 9:59 a.m.