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EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting

April 10, 2009

Members present:

Mari Kramer, Chair

Sue Newstetter

Amin Wahab

Staff present:

Mari Lopez, Executive Secretary

The meeting of the External Relations Committee was called to order at 2:10 p.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.

Oregon Examiner

Winter 2009 Oregon Examiner

Ms. Lopez notified the Committee that only 200 copies of the newsletter were printed for mailing.

Spring 2009 Oregon Examiner

During the meeting, the Committee discussed the following articles for the *Spring 2009 Oregon Examiner* newsletter. Ms. Lopez explained that due to Ms. Meyer's leave of absence, five articles have not been drafted for their review as indicated by an asterisk (*).

- *How to Avoid Two Common Land Surveying Violations*
- **Geotechnical Engineering Examination/Prior Practice*
- **LiDAR*
- **Military Fees Waiver*
- **Oregon Administrative Rule 820-020-0015(7)*
- **Proposed Rulemaking Process*
- *October 2008 Structural Examination Statistics*

Additionally, the Committee briefly reviewed a draft flowchart on the rulemaking process. The Committee recommended including the flowchart in the *Spring 2009 Oregon Examiner* newsletter to address the Proposed Rulemaking Article.

Web site

Ms. Lopez revealed that the migration to the Oregon.Gov Web site was completed. The site became live on April 1st. Ms. Lopez further explained that during the interim she contacted PEO and PLSO

for digital photos that represent the field of engineering and land surveying for posting to the OSBEELS Web site. She further explained that this effort was unsuccessful. Ms. Newstetter volunteered to follow-up with PLSO.

Forms

The Committee reviewed the *Request for Verification* form. Upon completion of minor revisions, the form will be reviewed further during the June meeting.

Outreach

Engineers Night

OSBEELS was invited by former Board Member Joel Smith, PE, PLS, to Engineers Night held at Chemeketa Community College on April 21st. OSBEELS will be provided an exhibit table to present information regarding the engineering and land surveying profession to high school students and parents. Ms. Lopez, Ms. Carmack, and Ms. Volker are scheduled to represent OSBEELS during this event. Ms. Lopez added that Ms. Carmack has contacted NCEES for assistance in promotional items and flyers. There was no further discussion.

PLSO Article

Ms. Newstetter announced her desire to write an article for PLSO's newsletter as a new member of the OSBEELS Board covering the perceptions and the realities of the OSBEELS Board. The Committee supported her decision to draft an article. No further action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.