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PROFESSIONAL PRACTICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting

April 10, 2009

Members present:

Grant Davis, Chair

Sue Newstetter

John Seward

Carl Tappert

Amin Wahab

Staff present:

Mari Lopez, Executive Secretary

Others present:

Katharine Lozano, AAG

Sue Laszlo, Observer

The meeting of the Professional Practices Committee was called to order at 8:00 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:

Oregon Environmental Laws Requiring PE Review – Email dated March 19, 2009

The Committee received an email from Suzanne Buntrock requesting clarification on whether a professional engineer is required to review proposals prepared by contractors concerning the remediation of abandoned mines in Oregon. After discussion, the Committee stated that the information provided by Ms. Buntrock was not sufficient to obtain a full understanding of the scenario or to determine whether a professional engineer is required. Staff will respond to Ms. Buntrock accordingly and request if further information is available to provide a determination.

Unfinished Business:

Reference Manual for Building Officials

Chair Davis informed the Committee that he reviewed the Reference Manual for Building Officials along with previous comments submitted by Members of the Board and the General Public. Chair Davis attempted to address the concerns through his draft revisions to pages 12, 13, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, and 29. The Committee discussed the draft revisions and suggested additional minor revisions. Chair Davis volunteered to finalize the document for submittal to Ms. Lopez to incorporate into the template. It was noted that upon completion, the draft revisions would be provided to the Board and the Architect Board for further review.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 a.m.