

1 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
2 LOUISIANA PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING  
3 AND LAND SURVEYING BOARD  
4 9643 BROOKLINE AVENUE, SUITE 121  
5 BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA 70809-1433  
6 November 13, 2017  
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8 At 8:00 a.m. on November 13, 2017 Terry J. Huval, P.E., called the meeting to order at  
9 the Board's office in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, with the following members present:

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11 Terry J. Huval, P.E. Chairman  
12 David L. Patterson, P.L.S. Vice Chairman  
13 Christopher P. Knotts, P.E. Treasurer  
14 Paul N. Hale, Jr., Ph.D., P.E. Secretary  
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16 Alan D. Krouse, P.E.  
17 Thomas R. Carroll, III, P.E., P.L.S.  
18 Charles G. Coyle, III, P.L.S.  
19 Jeffrey A. Pike, P.E.  
20 Christopher K. Richard, P.E.  
21 Chad C. Vosburg, P.E.  
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23 Also present: Donna D. Sentell, Executive Director  
24 Richard L. Savoie, Jr., P.E., Deputy Executive Director  
25 Joe H. Harman, P.E., Technical Support Staff  
26 William Hyatt, Board Investigator  
27 D. Scott Landry, Board Attorney  
28 Bill Tripoli, Board Staff  
29 LaTasha Andrews, Board Staff  
30 Nancy Donald, Board Staff  
31 Cassandra Gray, Board Staff  
32 Shanna Hubble, Board Staff  
33 Paulette James, Board Staff  
34 Mona Lisa Johnson, Board Staff  
35 Holly Lavigne, Board Staff  
36 Janet Lindsey, Board Staff  
37 Cheron Seaman, Board Staff  
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39 The invocation and pledge was led by Mr. Richard.

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41 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Knotts, seconded by Mr.  
42 Carroll, to accept the November 13, 2017 proposed Call and Agenda for the Meeting.  
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44 Public comment time was recognized by Chairman Huval. Tyson Ducote, Deputy  
45 Director of the Louisiana State Board of Architectural Examiners, was present.  
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47 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Patterson, seconded by  
48 Mr. Krouse, to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2017 Board meeting.  
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50 Mr. D. Scott Phillips, P.E., P.L.S. entered the meeting at 8:15 a.m.  
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## 52 **Compliance and Enforcement**

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54 **Case #2014-48** - Mr. Savoie reported on a professional engineer who **(a)** sealed,  
55 signed and issued engineering documents not prepared him or under his responsible  
56 charge, **(b)** failed to provide immediate written notice of his engagement to the prior  
57 licensee once he was engaged to complete, correct, revise or add to the prior  
58 licensee's engineering work and failed to include on his work a notation describing  
59 the work done by him and **(c)** failed to seal and sign engineering documents that were  
60 issued by him to a client or a public or governmental agency as completed work. The  
61 proposed consent order contained the following sanctions:

- 62 1. Fine of \$1,500
- 63 2. Costs of \$985.79
- 64 3. Louisiana Laws and Rules Quiz
- 65 4. Louisiana Professionalism and Ethics Quiz
- 66 5. Publication on the Board's website and in the Journal with name
- 67 6. Report to NCEES with name



1 After discussion, the Board unanimously approved the motion made by the Complaint  
2 Review Committee, consisting of Mr. Knotts, Mr. Krouse and Mr. Carroll, to approve  
3 the signed consent order. The name of the respondent is **Thomas M. Smith, P.E.**  
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5 **Case #2016-40** - Mr. Savoie reported on a professional land surveyor who failed to  
6 meet the Board's standards of practice for boundary surveys. The proposed consent  
7 order contained the following sanctions:

- 8 1. Fine of \$1,000
- 9 2. Costs of \$1,201.75
- 10 3. Louisiana Standards of Practice for Boundary Surveys Quiz
- 11 4. Correct the standards of practice violations on revised survey plats, provide  
12 the revised survey plats to the Board for review, properly file the revised  
13 survey plats into the public record, and provide copies of the filed revised  
14 survey plats to the Board
- 15 5. Publication on the Board's website and in the Journal with name
- 16 6. Report to NCEES with name

17 After discussion, the Board approved the motion made by the Complaint Review  
18 Committee, consisting of Mr. Carroll, Mr. Pike and Mr. Coyle, with Mr. Knotts, Dr. Hale,  
19 Mr. Krouse, Mr. Phillips, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Pike, Mr. Coyle, Mr. Richard and Mr. Vosburg  
20 for and Mr. Patterson abstaining, to approve the signed consent order. The name of  
21 the respondent is **David L. Patterson, P.L.S.**  
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23 **Case #2016-63** - Mr. Savoie reported on a professional engineer who committed  
24 fraud, deceit, material misstatement or perjury, or the giving of false or forged  
25 evidence, in applying for a renewal license with the Board. The proposed consent  
26 order contained the following sanctions:

- 27 1. Fine of \$1,000
- 28 2. Costs of \$857.23
- 29 3. Louisiana Laws and Rules Quiz
- 30 4. Louisiana Professionalism and Ethics Quiz
- 31 5. Publication on the Board's website and in the Journal with name
- 32 6. Report to NCEES with name

33 After discussion, the Board approved the motion made by the Complaint Review  
34 Committee, consisting of Mr. Knotts, Mr. Pike and Mr. Richard, to approve the signed  
35 consent order. The name of the respondent is **Bobby D. Morrison, P.E.**  
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37 **Case #2017-33** - Mr. Savoie reported on a professional engineering firm which  
38 committed fraud, deceit, material misstatement or perjury, or the giving of false or  
39 forged evidence, in applying for a renewal license with the Board. The proposed  
40 consent order contained the following sanctions:

- 41 1. Fine of \$1,000
- 42 2. Costs of \$866.60
- 43 3. Louisiana Laws and Rules Quiz by supervising professional
- 44 4. Louisiana Professionalism and Ethics Quiz by supervising professional
- 45 5. Have its certificate of authority to transact business in Louisiana reinstated by  
46 the Louisiana Secretary of State and thereafter be in "good standing" with the  
47 Louisiana Secretary of State
- 48 6. Immediate suspension of its license if it fails to comply with any portion of the  
49 consent order, with said suspension continuing until it so complies
- 50 7. Publication on the Board's website and in the Journal with name
- 51 8. Report to NCEES with name

52 After discussion, the Board approved the motion made by the Complaint Review  
53 Committee, consisting of Mr. Knotts, Mr. Pike and Mr. Richard, to approve the signed  
54 consent order. The name of the respondent is **HTS, Inc., Consultants**  
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## 56 **Committee Reports**

### 57 **Geoscientist-Engineer Liaison Committee**

58 Mr. Krouse presented the report for the Geoscientist-Engineer Liaison Committee.  
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60 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Krouse, seconded by Mr.  
61 Knotts, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Louisiana Board of  
62 Professional Geoscientists as presented.  
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64 The Board recessed at 9:10 a.m. and resumed at 9:25 a.m.  
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1 It is recommended that the services of more than one institution shall be  
2 utilized for investment of LAPELS monies.

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4 It is the intention of this policy to adhere to the provisions of La. R.S. 49:327.  
5 Compliance with this policy shall be verified by the annual financial audit of  
6 LAPELS.  
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### 8 **Old/New Business**

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10 Chairman Huval designated Mr. Krouse and Dr. Hale to be the Board's funded  
11 delegates to the Joint Engineering Societies Conference in Lafayette, LA on January  
12 31/February 1, 2018.  
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14 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Krouse, seconded by Mr.  
15 Knotts, to schedule the 2018 Board meetings as follows:  
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- 17 • Tuesday, January 30, 2018
- 18 • Monday, April 9, 2018
- 19 • Monday, June 18, 2018
- 20 • Monday, September 10, 2018
- 21 • Monday, November 5, 2018

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23 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Krouse, seconded by Mr.  
24 Knotts, to request Emeritus Status with NCEES for former Board members Kevin E.  
25 Crosby, P.E., P.L.S. and John W. "Billy" Moore, P.E.  
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27 At 10:30 a.m., the Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Knotts,  
28 seconded by Mr. Krouse, to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters.  
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30 At 11:00 a.m., the Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Knotts,  
31 seconded by Mr. Pike, to exit the executive session.  
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33 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by the Executive Committee to  
34 authorize a 5% salary increase for the Executive Director, effective November 13,  
35 2017.  
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### 37 **Closing Business**

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39 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mr.  
40 Phillips, to approve all committee recommendations and actions.  
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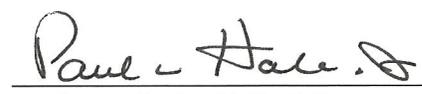
42 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Carroll, seconded by Mr.  
43 Pike, to acknowledge and confirm all licenses and certificates issued and renewed  
44 since the last Board meeting.  
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46 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Patterson, seconded by Mr.  
47 Coyle, to approve all Board expenses.  
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49 The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Mr. Coyle, seconded by Mr.  
50 Vosburg, to adjourn.  
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52 The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m. on Monday, November 13, 2017.  
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57 Terry J. Huval, P.E.  
58 Chairman  
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57 Paul N. Hale, Jr., Ph.D., P.E.  
58 Secretary  
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