THE DIRECTOR’S CORNER
by Heather Richardson

Completion of Building Renovations 2016-2017

Our building built in 1955 and purchased by the Board in 2005 has received much needed repairs and renovations. Phase 1—Exterior Repairs, was completed in June 2016 and included a new roof and windows. Phase 2—Interior Renovations was complete in August 2017 and included improvements to the areas of Life Safety, Building Envelope/Energy Savings, Accessibility/Barrier Removal, Plumbing Codes, Mechanical and Electrical. The Board and staff are enjoying the updated space and we encourage our licensees to visit. The Board is planning an Open House to be held in conjunction with the January Board meeting, details will be forthcoming.

Governor Hutchinson makes New Appointments in July 2017

Governor Asa Hutchinson appointed Kyle Salyer, P.E & P.S. as an Engineer Member, replacing Ronnie Hawkins, P.E & P.S. The Governor also re-appointed Engineer Member, H. James Engstrom P.E. The terms of both Members will expire in 2021.

Kyle graduated from the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville with a B.S. Civil Engineering degree in 2000. He has been a Professional Engineer in Arkansas and Oklahoma since 2004 and a Professional Surveyor in Arkansas since 2009. Kyle began his engineering career as a Summer Engineer Intern with the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) from 1998 to 1999. He joined Hawkins-Weir Engineers as a Staff Engineer following his graduation in 2000. In 2009, Kyle became a partner of Hawkins-Weir and is currently a Director and Vice-President with the Firm. Kyle has previously served as the President and Chairman of the Van Buren Municipal Auditorium Commission and a Director for the American Public Works Association (Arkansas). He has also served on various committees, including the Arkansas Society of Professional Surveyors, Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers, Leadership Crawford County, and American Council of Engineering Companies.

Ronnie Hawkins Retirement from the Board

On a final personal note, I’d like to express gratitude and wish a happy retirement to Ronnie Hawkins P.E & P.S. He was appointed by Governor Mike Beebe in 2009 as the dual member. He has served as Vice-President and President of the Board, and he also served on the Complaint and Building Committees. He provided outstanding guidance, service and commitment to the Board, staff, licensees, and the public. Best wishes for a wonderful retirement.
At its May 2017 meeting, the Board elected Scott Bennett, P.E., and Brian Moore, P.E. as President and Vice-President, respectively.

PRESIDENT Scott Bennett, P.E., Little Rock, Arkansas

Scott graduated from the University of Arkansas - Fayetteville with B.S. and M.S. Civil Engineering degrees in 1989 and 1994 respectively. He has been a Professional Engineer since 1994.

Scott began his career with the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) as a summer employee from 1985 to 1988. Upon graduation, he was hired as a Civil Engineer I – Planning Division. He’s held the positions of Planning Engineer, Transportation Engineer, Section Head of Technical Services, Assistant Division Head of Planning and Research, Assistant Division Head of Programs and Contracts, Division Head of Planning and Research, and Assistant Chief Engineer – Planning. In 2011 he became the current Director of the Department.

Scott has also been appointed by Governor Hutchinson to serve on the Governor's Working Group on Highway Funding.

Scott is an Engineer member of the Board, appointed in 2015, and his term will expire in 2019.

BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT Brian Moore, P.E., Springdale, Arkansas

Brian graduated from the University of Arkansas - Fayetteville with a B.S. in Civil Engineering in 1994. He has been a Professional Engineer in Arkansas since 2000. He also maintains P.E. licenses in Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee and Texas.

Brian began his engineering career at Engineering Services, Inc. (ESI) in 1992 while working on his B.S.C.E degree. Upon graduation he became full-time and he is currently Vice President and part owner of ESI.

Brian was one of Northwest Arkansas Business Journal's “Forty Under Forty” in 2003, and was named the 2005 Young Engineer of the Year by the Northwest Chapter of the Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers (ASPE). He has previously served as president of the Northwest Chapter of ASPE and the Arkansas Chapter of the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE). He has served on the board of directors for several organizations, including the Springdale Chamber of Commerce, Springdale Rotary Club, and the United Way of Washington County. He has also served on numerous committees, including the Springdale Enhancement Project, the Springdale Growth Task Force, the Utilities Committee of the Springdale City Future Program, the Governance Council of Springdale Tomorrow, and the Springdale Sports Authority.

Brian is an Engineer member of the Board, appointed in 2015, and his term will expire in 2019.
REPORT ON DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS
Taken by the Board since October 2016
By Grant Grigg

CASE NUMBER #2013-13, In the matter of Robert Allan Callicot, P.S.
COMPLAINT: Robert Callicot was paid $1000 by his client Charles McGowan and never provided Mr. McGowan with a survey.
RESOLUTION: On March 14, 2017 Robert Callicot entered into a Consent Agreement and Order with the Board and was assessed a civil penalty of $1000 for violations of Arkansas Code §17-42-205(a)(1)(K) & §17-42-205(a)(1)(E).

CASE NUMBER #2017-03, in the matter of John Millett, Non Renewed P.E.
COMPLAINT: John Millett conducted engineering services without an active license. Mr. Millett failed to renew his license and provided engineering services on three separate occasions while his license was non-renewed.
RESOLUTION: On August 11, 2017 John Millett entered into a Consent Agreement and Order with the Board and was assessed a civil penalty of $250 for each violation of Article 1.A of the Rules of the Board and for a total Civil penalty of $750.

CASE NUMBER #2017-05, in the matter of Jason Needham, P.E.
COMPLAINT: Alleged misconduct in practicing engineering. Mr. Needham was convicted of a felony in Federal court in the Western District of Tennessee.
RESOLUTION: On August 6, 2017, Needham entered into a Consent Agreement and Order with the Board and surrendered his professional engineer license. Needham was found in violation of Article 14(A)(3) of the Rules of the Board as well as a violation of Arkansas Code Annotated §17-30-305(a)(2)(A).

UPCOMING EVENTS

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• **Surveyor Rules:**
  The sunset period outlined in a 2009 Rule change (surveyors could qualify for licensure by experience only) ended January 1, 2017.

  In 2009, the Arkansas Legislature passed Act 392, changing the licensure qualifications for Surveyor Intern (SI) and Professional Surveyor (PS) applicants effective January 1, 2017. This was soon followed by the Board adopting Rules which incorporated the Act 392 licensure changes.

  The most significant change to the Rule, for a SI or PS applicant, was that after January 1, 2017 there would no longer be a path to licensure by experience only. Their qualifications would be based upon a combination of education and experience. You may read about this change in Article 8 of the Board Rules at http://www.pels.arkansas.gov/rulesregsstandards.

  Every surveyor’s qualifications are unique and if you have any questions about the different paths to licensure please feel free to contact the Board staff.

• **Arkansas State Specific Surveyor Exam**
  There is no change to the Part 1 and Part 2 exam schedule for the Arkansas State Specific Exams offered in paper and pencil at the State Fair Grounds in October 27, 2017 and April 13, 2018. Please contact the Board office for more information.

• **NCEES Exams in Computer-Based Testing (CBT) Format.**
  Many NCEES exams are already administered in CBT format. They are the Fundamentals of Engineering (FE), Fundamentals of Surveying (FS), and Principles and Practice of Surveying (PS) exams.

  Effective January 2, 2018 the NCEES Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Chemical exam will also be administered in CBT format.

  The CBT format allows for year round testing at a Pearson Vue test center and gives examinees the freedom to pick the exam time, date and location. Examinees are provided an exam specific electronic copy of the NCEES Reference Handbook which is the only reference material that can be used during the exam. Examinees usually receive their results 7-10 days after the exam. For more information on registering for CBT exams or what to expect on exam day, download the NCEES Examinee Guide.

• **NCEES Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE) Exams**
  NCEES announced that there will be changes to the following exams effective April 2018: Architectural Engineering, Electrical and Computer, Environmental, Structural 16-hour, and Civil-Construction and Structural modules. Visit https://ncees.org/engineering/ for more details.
CONGRATULATIONS to those who passed NCEES exams!

New licenses issued October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017

Harvie M Attwood 17404
Tyler R Avery 17405
Brian R Bettinardi 17406
Shawn M Biggs 17407
Jennifer C Bingaman 17408
Jarrod Brightwell 17409
Corey W Bryant 17410
Samuel T Clark 17411
Kathryn A Dial 17412
Chester E Duffield, III 17413
Fred R Frasier, PhD 17414
Dillon G Goins 17415
William M Graves 17416
Seth H Halford 17417
Anna J Keogh 17418
Jacob L Hohnbaum 17419
Martin Garcia 17420
Bryce Reeks 8667
Caleb Taylor 8666
Hussam Saleem 8665
Eric Endsley 8657
Daniel Allison 8658
Michael Hicks 8659
Stephen Shatzer 8660
Joseph Mulnik 8661
Kenneth Fuentes 8662
Michael Hansing 8663
Mojtaba A Mohammadvi 8664
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Joshua Gatlin 8669
Samuel Jenkins 8670
Martin Garcia 8671
Scott Harrison 8672
Gregory Pinkston 8673
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Andrew Dugan 8676
Zachary Smith 8677

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John Dennis, PhD 1811
William Gaston 1812
Lilly J Robert 1813
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NCEES launched a new full service database on June 20, 2016. According to NCEES, the MyNCEES was designed to focus on their customers, whether state licensure boards or examinees. From the website, the customer is able to register for exams, download/purchase exam prep materials, apply for an NCEES Record, develop a licensing record, or credentials evaluated for a board.

This year’s NCEES Annual Meeting was held in Miami Beach, Florida on August 23-26, 2017. The Arkansas Board was well represented by Vice President Brian Moore, David Beasley and Ivan Hoffman. Some of the highlights of the meeting include reduction in FE and FS exam prices beginning in 2018, decoupling exams and licensure, and the development of a NCEES U.S. Public Lands Survey System (PLSS) exam module.

Due to the success of the Computer Based Test (CBT) fundamentals exams and the Principles and Practice of Surveying examination, NCEES has notified the Board that they are in the process of converting all exams to CBT. NCEES will offer the first CBT for the Principles and Practice of Engineering Chemical examination in January 2018. This exam will now be offered year round with 4 test cycles. The remaining NCEES Principles and Practice Engineering exams will be offered paper and pencil at the state fairgrounds October 27th-28th, 2017.

If you have any questions or comments for NCEES, please contact them directly through their website NCEES.org, online at MyNCEES, or call 1-800-250-3196.