

**MINUTES**  
**June 4, 2024**  
**Jackson, Mississippi**

The Mississippi Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers & Surveyors held an in-person board retreat on June 4, 2024, in the Magnolia Room at the Old Capitol Inn in Jackson, Mississippi. There were no visitors for the board retreat.

**I ROLL CALL**

**1. Roll Call**

Board President Patrick Martino called the retreat to order at 1:30 P.M. on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, and completed the roll call with the following persons identified as present:

**Board Members:**

Patrick Martino, PS  
Carey Hardin, PE  
Joe Lauderdale, PE  
Bill Mitchell, PE / PS  
Dr. Dennis Truax, PE  
Steve Twedt, PE  
Blake Collins, PS  
Clint Tidwell, PS

**Agency staff:**

Monica Gilmore, Executive  
Director  
Board Attorney, Kim Turner  
Kadijah Hopkins, Licensure Officer  
Jermaine Pullum, Licensure  
Investigator  
Jon Stegall - Intern

Board Member Sarah Tracy was absent for the Board retreat.

On a motion from Board Member Bill Mitchell and second by Blake Collins, the June 4, 2024, retreat agenda was submitted for approval. The motion carried unanimously.

**II Business**

The Executive Director presented information on:

**The application (EI, PE, SI, PS, Relicensure) review process.**

On a motion by Board Member Dennis Truax and second by Board Member Joe Lauderdale, the Board voted to create an Application Review Committee to consists of the following board members:

- Joe Lauderdale (problem PE applications, as determined by staff)
- Clint Tidwell (surveyor intern applications)
- Blake Collins (initial PS applications)
- Patrick Martino (Comity PS applications)

The motion carried unanimously.

### **PDH requirements under the Biennial renewal system**

On a motion by Board Member Steve Twedt and second by Board Member Dennis Truax, the Board voted to change Rule 23.1.3 a, b, and C to reflect a requirement of 15 PDHs per calendar year. The requirement for one (1) ethics PDH every two years (i.e., per biennial renewal period) remains the same. The motion carried unanimously.

On a motion by Board Member Dennis Truax and second by Board Member Clint Tidwell, the Board voted to follow the NCEES Model Law regarding acceptable documentation of PDH coursework completion when submitted for renewal purposes. The motion carried unanimously.

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On a motion by Board Member Steve Twedt and second by Board Member Blake Collins, the Board voted to remove the PDH exemption for persons 60 years of age or older. Upon approval, Any Licensee who is actively practicing in engineering or surveying must maintain the required number of PDHs to remain licensed. The motion carried on a vote of six to two. Board members Bill Mitchell and Joe Lauderdale voted against the measure.

## **Fee Schedule**

The Board discussed the current fee schedule and proposed changes; however, no motion to implement the changes was made. Regarding fees, the Board discussed implementing a \$75 application processing fee.

### **III. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn presented by Board Member Joe Lauderdale with a second by Board Member Blake Collins. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.



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**Board President Patrick Martino, P.S.**