MINUTES
Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
Licensing and Registration Committee Meeting
May 20, 2026 - 2:00 pm

Physical Meeting Location:
Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
1917 S. Interstate 35
Austin, TX 78741

Discuss and Possibly Act on the Following Agenda Items:

1. Preliminary Matters - Officer Presiding
   a. Call to Order

Ms. Catherine Norwood, P.E., Chair, called the Licensing and Registration Committee meeting of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors to order at 2:00 p.m.
(NOTE: all votes are unanimous unless noted.)

   b. Roll Call

Ms. Trevino called the roll. It was noted, for the record, that a quorum was present.

The following Committee members were present:

Catherine Norwood, P.E.	Chair
Ademola Adejokun, P.E.	Member
Albert Cheng	Member
Coleen Johnson, R.P.L.S.	Member

Mr. Steven Ogle, Assistant Attorney General and General Counsel for the Board, was present to provide legal counsel to the Committee.

The following staff members were present:

Lance Kinney, Ph.D., P.E.	Executive Director
Rick Strong, P.E.	Director of Licensing and Registration
Mason Schoolfield	Director of Operations
Elissa Mazza	Staff Attorney
Ed Brannan, P.E.	Technical Engineering Specialist
Brian Waltman, P.E.	Technical Engineering Specialist
Odilia Trevino	Executive Administrator

   c. Excuse absent Committee members

All members were present.

d. Welcome Visitors

Roberto Moreno, P.E., Board Member; Kiran Shah, Board Member; Govind Nadkarni, P.E., Advisory Board Member; Joseph M. Steubing; German F. Bonilla; Patrick K. Rees; Mrs. Patrick Rees; Sean Conner; Bradley V. Escobedo; Kyle D. Dolezal; and Chris Orem were present. Mark Neugebauer, R.P.L.S, L.S.L.S., Board Member; Dr. Marguerite McClinton Stoglin; and Collin Parker were present via video conference.

e. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

2. February 18, 2026, Licensing and Registration Committee Meeting Minutes

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Johnson/Cheng) to approve February 18, 2026, Licensing and Registration Committee meeting minutes as presented.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

3. Applications for Licensure

- Personal Interview Cases:

a. • Steubing, Joseph Michael

On November 19, 2025, Joseph Michael Steubing attended the Licensing Committee for discussion concerning his Texas PE application. The committee and full Board advised him to revise his application with an accurate breakdown of his surveying experience record with actual time spent on qualifying surveying experience. He was also advised that to move forward with his application, he would need to resubmit RPLS references to support the actual qualifying experience.

On May 20, 2026, Mr. Steubing appeared before the Licensing Committee to discuss his accurately completed application with the breakdown of his surveying experience and RPLS reference.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Johnson/Cheng) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, for Mr. Steubing to be approved for Texas RPLS registration after passing the TSSE exam and submitting documentation of the successful completion of the 30-hour Basic Level Ethics course from Texas Tech Murdough Center for Engineering Professionalism.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

b. • Bonilla, German Francisco

Mr. German Bonilla appeared before the Committee based on multiple past criminal judgments. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Adejokun/Johnson) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, for Mr. Bonilla to be approved for Texas PE licensure after submitting documentation of the successful completion of the 30-hour Basic Level Ethics course from the Texas Tech

Murdough Center for Engineering Professionalism.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

c. • Rees, Patrick Kevin

Mr. Patrick Rees appeared before the Committee based on multiple past criminal judgments and for re-licensure in Texas. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Johnson/Cheng) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, for Mr. Rees to be approved for Texas PE licensure and concurrently submitting documentation of the successful completion of the 30-hour Basic Level Ethics course from the Texas Tech Murdough Center for Engineering Professionalism.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

d. • Casarez, Jeffrey

Mr. Jeffrey Casarez was no show for his scheduled personal appearance.

No action was taken by the Committee.

e. • Conner, Sean

Mr. Sean Conner appeared before the Committee to request a waiver of the NCEES FE exam and approval to sit for the NCEES PE exam. The Committee and applicant discussed his work experience and his prior attempts at the FE exam.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Norwood/Johnson) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, for Mr. Conner's request to waive the NCEES FE exam be denied and for Mr. Conner to be required to pass the NCEES FE exam before applying to sit for the NCEES PE exam.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

f. • Escobedo, Bradley Valentin

Mr. Bradley Escobedo appeared before the Committee to dispute the amount of verified qualifying surveying experience which caused the denial of his SIT application. The Committee and applicant discussed his lack of required experience and references. The Committee suggested that Mr. Escobedo request to have his degree evaluated to ensure it will qualify him for the SIT certification before graduation. They informed him he will need to work under a RPLS for two years to get the required experience.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Norwood/Johnson) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, for Mr. Escobedo's request for the SIT certification be denied.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

g. • Purser, Benjamin John-Franklin

Mr. Benjamin Purser was no show for his scheduled personal appearance.

No action was taken by the Committee.

h. • Dolezal, Kyle David

Mr. Kyle Dolezal appeared before the Committee based on multiple past criminal judgments. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Norwood/Cheng) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, for Mr. Dolezal to be approved for a one-year provisional Texas PE license and concurrently submitting documentation of the successful completion of the 90-hour Advanced Level Ethics course from Texas Tech Murdough Center for Engineering Professionalism. Mr. Dolezal will be required to return to the Licensing Committee for the May 2027 meeting. During the one-year period if the applicant has any criminal arrests or professional complaints, the provisional license will be terminated.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

i. • Parker, Colin

Mr. Colin Parker appeared before the Committee based on multiple past criminal judgments. The Committee and applicant discussed his experience and lessons learned.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Cheng/Johnson) to recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, for Mr. Parker to be approved for a one-year provisional Texas PE license and concurrently submitting documentation of the successful completion of the 60-hour Intermediate Level Ethics course from Texas Tech Murdough Center for Engineering Professionalism. Mr. Parker will be required to return to the Licensing Committee for the May 2027 meeting. During the one-year period if the applicant has any criminal arrests or professional complaints, the provisional license will be terminated.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

4. Rulemaking - Licensing Cleanup
   a. Recommendation on Proposal of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 131, Subchapter A - Scope and Definitions
      §131.2 - Definitions
   b. Recommendation on Proposal of New Rule 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter C - Professional Engineer License Application Requirements
      §133.30 - Application Language
   c. Recommendation on Proposal of New Rule 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 134, Subchapter C - Land Surveyor Application Requirements
      §134.30 - Application Language

Dr. Kinney briefed the Committee on the request for proposal of amendments to the Rules. Proposed changes from the Governor's office have been implemented.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Norwood/Cheng) to group items 4a through 4c and recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, and approve the proposed amendments to be published in the Texas Register for public comment.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

5. Rulemaking - Experience Reporting
   a. Recommendation on Adoption of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter C - Professional Engineer License Application Requirements
      §133.21 - Application for Standard License
   b. Recommendation on Adoption of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter C - Professional Engineer License Application Requirements
      §133.23 - Applications from Former Standard License Holders
   c. Recommendation on Adoption of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter C - Professional Engineer License Application Requirements
      §133.25 - Applications from Engineering Educators
   d. Recommendation on Adoption of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter C - Professional Engineer License Application Requirements
      §133.27 - Application for Temporary License for Engineers Currently Licensed Outside the United States
   e. Recommendation on Adoption of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter E - Experience
      §133.41 - Supplementary Experience Record (Rename Experience Report)
   f. Recommendation on Adoption of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter E - Experience
      §133.43 - Experience Evaluation
   g. Recommendation on Adoption of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter F - Reference Documentation
      §133.51 - Reference Providers
   h. Recommendation on Adoption of Amendments to 22 Tex. Admin. Code Chapter 133, Subchapter F - Reference Documentation
      §133.53 - Reference Statements

Dr. Kinney briefed the Committee on the Rules proposed for adoption. He stated no public comments were received while posted on the Texas Register.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Norwood/Johnson) to group items 5a through 5h and recommend to the Board at its Regular Quarterly Board meeting on May 21, 2026, that the proposed amendments be approved for adoption.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

6. Texas Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors' Land Surveying Exam Update

Mr. Strong reviewed the exhibit provided and thanked everyone involved with the exam process. He stated the March 27th exam administration was a success. We had a 36% pass rate and the overall TSSE exams pass rate is 45%. He stated the QAQC met in January to finalize the exams. The upcoming exams are scheduled for June 26, 2026, and October 23, 2026.

No action was required on this agenda item.

7. Licensing and Registration Director's Report

a) Engineer Results and Statistics: Licensing Application and Examination Report

Mr. Strong reviewed the exhibit provided and reported the current statistics. He informed the Committee that there has been a steady increase in licensed engineers. We are at 78,211 licensed P.E.s with 89% active; and at 11,900 registered firms.

No action was taken on this agenda items.

b) Surveyor Results and Statistics: Registration Application and Examination Report

Mr. Strong reviewed the exhibit provided and reported on the current statistics. He informed the Committee that there are currently 56 licensed LSLS, 2,400 active RPLS, and 367 RPLS on inactive status.

No action was taken on this agenda items.

8. Future Committee Meetings: Agenda items, dates, locations, and other arrangements

No issues were presented or addressed for consideration at the next Committee meeting.

9. Adjourn

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Johnson/Cheng) to adjourn the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

A vote was taken, and the MOTION PASSED.

Date Committee approved minutes: 08/12/2026

Date Board approved minutes: 08/13/2026