

Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects  
**Board Meeting Minutes – May 30, 2025, 8:30 a.m.**  
215 Centennial Mall South, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room, Lincoln NE 68508

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## CALL TO ORDER

The May 30, 2025, Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects (NBEA) meeting was held at 215 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Chair Dvorak called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. and noted the location of the Open Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was published in the Lincoln Journal Star in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

**Roll Call:** Bruce Dvorak, Chair; Lenora Nelson, Vice-Chair; Dan Thiele, Secretary; Jan Bostelman; Jim Brisnehan; Brett Foley; Brian Kelly; Jason Suelter; Absent: Lenora Nelson, Vice-Chair; Jim Brisnehan

**Staff Present:** Jon Wilbeck, Executive Director (ED); Amy Habe, Compliance Officer (CO); Jean Lais, Administrative Programs Officer (APO); Allyson Bennett, Public Information Officer (PIO); Lilliana Irvine, Compliance Assistant (CA); Cole Gressley, Administrative Programs Officer (APO).

## Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

## HEARINGS

[Case 24.12, Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects v. C&A Complex Management, LLC; Alyssa Hendrix; and Carey Hendrix](#)

As presiding officer, Chair Dvorak opened the meeting at 9:15 a.m. for the matter of the Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects v. C&A Complex Management LLC, Alyssa Hendrix, and Carey Hendrix. Alyssa Hendrix attended the hearing and was not represented by counsel. Special Assistant Attorney General Sean Minahan, representing the Board, questioned Compliance Officer Habe in direct examination. Exhibits were presented to the Board as evidence. Special Assistant Attorney General Minahan made a closing statement. Kaitlin Garcia, Great Plains Reporting, recorded the proceedings. The hearing concluded at 9:50 a.m.

## A. CONSENT AGENDA

[April 18, 2025, Meeting Minutes](#)

[NCARB Update, April 2025](#)

[NCARB Fast Facts, April 2025](#)

[Notice of Future Changes to NCEES Exams and Supporting Materials](#)

*Motion by Thiele, second by Bostelman, to approve the consent agenda. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Thiele, Bostelman, Brisnehan, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan; Nelson*

## B. MEETING REPORTS

### NBEA Subcommittee Reports

[FY2024-25 Board Committees](#)

A copy of the FY2024-25 committee appointments and charges was provided.

### [Legislative Committee – Introduced Legislation](#)

A list of introduced bills of potential interest to the Board, with their latest statuses, was provided.

## C. OLD BUSINESS

### Update on Licensee Database Replacement Project w/NCARB

ED Wilbeck updated the members on the progress of the database replacement project.

Vice-Chair Nelson entered the meeting at 8:38 a.m.

## D. NEW BUSINESS

### Trade Name Request; “Architectural Exteriors and Concepts”

A request to use the term *architectural* in the DBA name of *Architectural Exteriors and Concepts for Associated Enterprises LLC* was received. The organization provides services related to building exteriors, and states will partner with licensed architects and engineers when needed. It states the use of the term is solely descriptive.

*Motion by Thiele, second by Bostelman, to deny the request to use the term architectural in the DBA name of Architectural Exteriors and Concepts. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

### Occupancy Classification Question #1; Concession Stands

A request for clarification was received on the need for licensees in the construction of a concession stand at an existing ballfield. After the discussion, it was determined that the project falls under the M-Mercantile classification.

### Occupancy Classification Question #2; Townhomes

A building official requested clarification on how the Board interprets the occupancy classification of townhouses. After the discussion, it was determined that the occupancy classification would be determined by how the firewall was constructed. A licensee should be involved in the review to ensure the correct classification is used.

### Clarification on certain CE activities being related to “ethical” practice

Staff requested clarification as to whether courses promoting accessibility or universal design satisfy the ethics requirement for continuing education (CE). NCARB is defining such courses as ethical. After discussion, it was determined that such designs are qualitative and required as part of the project design. Under the new NCARB competency standards, universal design and ethics are in separate domains. No change in the current CE audit process is needed.

### Outreach & Marketing Update

PIO Bennett updated the members on the FY2024-25 Outreach and Marketing Plan. Highlights included:

- ED Wilbeck presented to the Department of Energy and Environment on April 30<sup>th</sup>
- PIO Bennett will be presenting at the Nebraska Society of Professional Engineers Summer Annual Meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup> in David City
- CO Habe and CA Irvine will be presenting at the Nebraska Association of County Officials County Board Workshop on June 5<sup>th</sup> in Kearney
- PIO Bennett conducted a three-day trip, April 21- 23, visiting Bert, Colfax, Cuming, Dodge, Douglas, Platte, Stanton, Thurston, Washington, and Wayne counties. 40 total towns, villages, and county offices were visited.
- On May 6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, webinars on the E&A Act and a Board overview were held for first and second-class city, county, and building officials in legislative districts 40, 42, 43, 44, 47, and 48.



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- PIO Bennet reached out to Doane University Engineering, UNL College of Architecture, and UNL College of Engineering and provided them with information regarding educational debt reimbursement.

#### **FY2025-26 Executive Director In-State Travel Authorization**

The Board approved all FY2025-26 in-state travel for ED Wilbeck.

*Motion by Kelly, second by Nelson, to authorize all in-state travel for official Board business for the executive director during FY2025-26. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

#### **FY2025-26 Chair/Designee Agenda Review Per Diem Authorization**

The Board approved travel and per diem for the Chair or representative for attendance at the agenda review meetings during FY2025-26.

*Motion by Kelly, second by Bostelman, to authorize travel and per diem for the Board chair or representative for attendance at agenda review meetings during FY2025-26. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

#### **Board Member Travel and Per Diem Requests**

Jim Brisnehan Brian Kelly Lenora Nelson	May 22, 2025	NCARB Resolution Webinar (Virtual)
Jim Brisnehan Brian Kelly Lenora Nelson	May 29, 2025	NCARB Resolution Webinar (Virtual)
Brian Kelly	May 20, 2025	NCARB Region 5 Subcommittee Meeting (Virtual)
Kelly	May 23, 2025	NCARB Region 5 Regional Leadership Meeting (Virtual)
Suelter	June 4, 2025	NCEES Structural Exam Writing Workshop (Virtual)
Suelter	June 5-7, 2025 (travel: June 4 and 8)	NCEES PE Structural Committee Meeting (Greenville, SC)

*Motion by Thiele, second by Kelly, to authorize the travel and per diem requests. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Nelson, to go into executive session for the purpose of the performance evaluation of the Executive Director, discussion of compliance investigations and partner-agency processes, not a matter of public information, to prevent needless injury to the reputation of those involved. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

Executive session began at 10:09 a.m.

#### **Executive Director's 2024 Performance Review**

The 2024 performance review and 2024 compensation of the executive director were discussed in the executive session.

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## **E. COMPLIANCE**

Cases 24.04, 24.05, 24.07, 24.12, 24.22, 24.26, 24.37, 24.44, 24.49, 24.50, 24.52, 25.02, 25.03, 25.04, 25.05, 25.07, 25.08, 25.09, 25.10, 25.12, and 25.13 were discussed in executive session.

### **Other Compliance Issues**

Project Reviews 01, 02, and 03 were discussed in executive session.

Partner-agency processes were discussed in executive session.

*Motion by Thiele, second by Nelson, to close the executive session for the purpose of the performance evaluation of the Executive Director, discussion of compliance investigations and partner-agency processes, not a matter of public information, to prevent needless injury to the reputation of those involved. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

Executive session ended at 12:56 p.m.

*Motion by Thiele, second by Nelson, to increase the Executive Director's salary by 4% effective July 1, 2025. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Nelson, to find the respondent practiced engineering without a license in Case 24.12, assess a civil penalty of \$2,500, to be stayed for 120 days, and if the engineering remediation is completed within 120 days, permanently stay the civil penalty, withhold finding for unlicensed practice of architecture and dismiss architectural complaint without prejudice based on the engagement of a licensed architect.*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Bostelman, to dismiss Case 24.22 without disciplinary action based on the successful completion of architectural and engineering remediation. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Bostelman, to dismiss Case 24.26 without disciplinary action based on the successful completion of architectural and engineering remediation. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Foley, to dismiss Case 24.44 without prejudice based on the engagement of licensees. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Nelson, to dismiss Case 25.09 without disciplinary action after sending a letter of caution. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Foley, to accept the settlement agreement in Case 25.10 and authorize the Chair to execute. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Bostelman, to authorize engineering remediation in Case 25.12 and request a response within 30 days and a remediation plan within 90 days. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

*Motion by Thiele, second by Nelson, to authorize architectural and engineering remediation in Case 25.13, and request a response within 30 days and a remediation plan within 90 days. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*



## F. APPLICATIONS

### Administratively Approved

#### Licensure of Professional Engineers by NCEES MLE Designation

E-21361 Zachary Kane Abrams, Civil; E-21324 Zachary Farhad Ataiyan, Fire Protection; E-21307 Evan James Bosshart, Civil; E-21362 Christopher James Brozik, Civil; E-21354 Jeremy Duane Calloway, Electrical and Computer; E-21299 Juan Diego Candelaria Alomar, Civil; E-21325 Nolan Alexander Carrow, Electrical and Computer; E-21306 Paul Kenneth Clark, Civil; E-21377 Kevin William Clinard, Civil; E-21366 Joseph Michael Cottrill, Civil; E-21352 Kevin Timothy Cox, Electrical and Computer; E-21339 Kory James Cwikla, Civil; E-21353 Jesse James Dean, Civil; E-21302 Heather Marie Deuth, Civil; E-21357 Mark Christian Dvorak, Civil; E-21347 Paul Michael Dykstra, Electrical and Computer; E-21321 Kyle Steven Faille, Electrical and Computer; E-21348 Jonathan Kingston Fleming, Electrical and Computer; E-21363 Matthew Ryan Frederick, Civil; E-21310 Korbin Charles Gilbreath, Electrical and Computer; E-21358 Evan Maxwell Goza, Mechanical; E-21304 Alex Douglas Habliston, Structural; E-21350 Mathias James Haubert, Civil; E-21342 Wesley Hirschy Johnson, Electrical and Computer; E-21298 Joshua Jay Knighton, Control Systems, C-21368 Paul Joseph Kocke Jr, Civil; E-21328 Michal Lukasz Kolenda, Civil; E-21331 Richard Joseph Kreuz, Mechanical; E-21305 Mitchell Earl Kunz, Civil; E-21360 Tyler Ray Lind, Chemical; E-21309 Luke Raymond Lingenfelter, Mechanical; E-21335 Neil Grant Lund, Civil; E-21330 Brett Joseph Magaram, Civil; E-21341 Benedict Joseph Marshall, Chemical; E-21364 Vincent William Marvin, Structural; E-21303 Diaa Marwan Masoud, Electrical and Computer; E-21345 Matthew Foster McKenzie, Civil; E-21343 Steve Paul Mickelson, Structural; E-21351 Michael Sean Miller, Mechanical; E-21344 Thomas Duncan Muse, Electrical and Computer; E-21327 Logan Mitchell Nelson, Mechanical; E-21326 Stephen Wayne Nickerson, Civil; E-21300 Austin Cole Parker, Industrial and Systems; E-21367 Ronald Arthur Podojil, Civil; E-21322 Scott Edward Port, Civil; E-21346 Abigail Grace Rein, Electrical and Computer; E-21332 Jose Antonio Rodriguez, Civil; E-21355 Benjamin Augustus Scoggin, Civil; E-21333 Bryan Joseph Shive, Mechanical; E-21308 Daniel Christopher Siegler, Electrical and Computer; E-21323 Omer Sohail, Civil; E-21365 Sara Lynn Stavinoha, Civil; E-21297 Michele Jodar Stein, Civil; E-21334 Neil Wade Tappana, Civil; E-21340 Jerry Lee Terrell II, Mechanical; E-21356 Quang Mihn Tran, Control Systems; E-21336 Matthew Phillip Vatterott, Civil; E-21329 Justin Christopher Wagner, Civil; E-21359 Peter Earl Wagner, Mechanical; E-21301 Thomas Atcheson Ware, Civil; E-21349 Jason Alan Wayment, Electrical and Computer; E-21338 William Walker Wentzler, Electrical and Computer

#### Licensure of Architects by NCARB Certification

A-5798 Robin Melinda Bellerby, A-5799 Yong Bum Cho, A-5801 Gregory Eugene Fenton, A-5790 Jorden Ben Goldstein, A-5791 Aleksander Jajic, A-5802 Edward Francis Kurzeja, A-5803 Paul Jerome Michell, A-5796 Byron Jared Morris, A-5794 Alen Leslie Parker II, A-5792 Kenneth Mark Ramsey, A-5800 Alexander Yalda Saroki, A-5795 Clinton Taylor, A-5793 Jadon Kriegh Taylor

#### Temporary Permits – None

#### Engineer Intern Enrollment Certificates

Hunter Gollin Purcell, Jacob Gerard Shinichi Rapoza, Wangyang Song

#### Certificates of Authorization

CA5458 Troy Engineering Services LLC, CA5459 Envision Engineering Inc, CA5460 Muth Electric Inc, CA5461 Rogue Architects LLC, CA5462 Pacific Engineering & Design PLLC, CA5463 WCD & Associates LLC, CA5464 Jarmel Kizel Architects and Engineers Inc, CA5465 KVS Engineering LLC, CA5466 TDSi-The Design Studio Inc, CA5467 Prairie Works Designs Inc, CA5468 Meco Engineering Company Inc, CA5469 Percheron Professional Services LLC, CA5470 Gravitec Systems Inc, CA5471 WHKS & Co Inc, 5472 Structural Technologies StrongPoint LLC, CA5473 Lochmueller Group Inc, CA5474 Dimension IV-Madison LLC, CA5475 Prime Engineering PLLC, CA5476 The Project Team LLC, CA5477 CHA Architecture PC, CA5478 CMTA Inc, CA5479 Curran Architecture PC, CA5480 ZFA



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Structural Engineers, CA5481 Orbital Engineering Inc, CA5482 Ravenvolt Inc, CA5483 MDGKC LLC, CA5484 JAH Engineering and Consulting

### **PE Exam Applications**

Braeden Robert Beck, Civil; Nicholas Keith Begley, Mechanical; Trenton Benjamin Borgmann, Civil; Alexander Sebastian Dukart, Architectural; Alec Christian Eiseman, Electrical and Computer; Brendan James Groth, Mechanical; Zachary Paul Haddix, Civil; Elizabeth Marie Hardy, Mechanical; Jeremy Michael Jacoby, Chemical; Justin Patrick Moench, Electrical and Computer; Steven Thomas Nolan, Mechanical; Ronald Arther Podojil, Structural; Deidre Michelle Rauch, Chemical; Blake Robert Spiers, Civil; Troy Michael Sporcic Jr, Mechanical; Nathan Michael Taylor, Mechanical; Samule Harrison Underwood, Architectural

### **Licensure/Examination**

#### **Licensure of Professional Engineers by Comity and Initial**

**Initial Licensure, Staff Recommendation to Approve:** Lamees Humaid Kadim Al Ghamari, Civil; Anna Nadine Allen, Civil; Brendan Philip Barnes, Civil; Colton Samuel Bents, Civil; Daniel John Blumel, Electrical and Computer; Nicholas Albert Boehler, Civil; Luke Joseph Burbach, Mechanical; Mark Daniel Gibbs, Civil; Drew Alexander Krutak, Control Systems; Nolan Ryan Lund, Civil; Andrew Jeremy Newcomb, Electrical and Computer; Jarod Anthony Ponticello, Civil; Austin James Rischling, Civil; Eric Ray Roberts, Civil; Joshua Henry Smrcina, Mechanical; Matthew Quinn Stobbe, Civil; Nicholas Parker Waskowiak, Civil; Shane Michael Weatherly, Civil; Chase Alan Zacharias, Mechanical

**Comity Licensure, Staff Recommendation to Approve:** Nicholas Joseph Alexander, Mechanical; Aria Ansari, Electrical and Computer; Lucas Gabriel Epp, Civil; Ryan Thomas Gerrero, Civil; Ethan Michael Schott, Civil; Ning Wang, Civil

#### **Licensure of Professional Engineers by Experience**

**Staff Recommendation to Approve:** Harold Paull Grubb, Civil; Richard Adam Jarmel, Civil; David Badger Logan, Civil; Randall Kevine Pierce, Civil; Janak Thapa, Civil; Ricky Runqi Wang, Civil

#### **Licensure of Professional Engineers by Reinstatement**

**Staff Recommendation to Approve:** E-12343 Shannon Larry Epps, Electrical and Computer; E-17697 John David Gallagher, Civil; E-11964 Mark William Hostetler, Civil and Structural; E-15603 Nasser Karmzadeh, Mechanical; E-17458 Matthew James Mahoney, Civil; E-16793 Christopher Michael Wilburn, Civil

#### **Licensure of Architects by Comity and Initial**

**Initial Licensure, Staff Recommendation to Approve:** Mathew Jordan Drummond, Trey Quinten Erwin, Paige Chandler Haskett, Alecia Marie Tiefenthaler

**Comity Licensure – None**

#### **Licensure of Architects by Experience – None**

#### **Licensure of Architects by Reinstatement**

**Staff Recommendation to Approve:** A-5190 James Louis Escobar, A-2412 Carl Girvin Harkins Jr, A-4544 Robert Lewis Lepore

*Motion by Thiele, second by Bostelman, to accept the staff recommendations on applications as amended.  
Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

## Other Issues/Information

### Completed Application Statistics

Charts and statistics regarding the number of applications, certificates of authorization, and other application types were provided.

## G. FINANCIAL MATTERS

### Financial Reports – April

#### FY2024-25 Financial Profile

#### Budget Status

#### Fund Summary

#### MTD General Ledger Detail

*Motion by Thiele, second by Foley, to approve the financial reports as presented. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

### Other Financial Matters

#### Annual Review of Fee Schedule

Staff recommended that no changes be made in the fee schedule at this time.

*Motion by Foley, second by Nelson, to accept the staff recommendation to leave the fee schedule unchanged. Voting Yes: Kelly, Suelter, Nelson, Thiele, Bostelman, Foley, Dvorak; Voting No: None; Absent: Brisnehan*

## H. GENERAL INFORMATION

A schedule of upcoming meetings and national events was provided. The next regular board meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2025, at 8:30 a.m., at the Nebraska State Office Building – Morrill Room, 301 Centennial Mall S, Lincoln, Nebraska.

### Licensure and Certificate Trends

*Numbers as of May 21, 2025*

Professional Engineers .....	9,393
Architects .....	1,937
Certificates of Authorization .....	2,478
Temporary Permits.....	13

### Examination Information/Statistics

The April and May 2025 ARE Open Eligibility Reports, March and April 2025 ARE Pass/Fail Reports, and 2025 Q1 ARE statistics were provided.

The 2025 Q1 FE and PE Exam statistics were provided.

### Other Information

The FY2024-25 Marketing Plan was provided.

The Facebook analytics for April 2025 were provided. The post regarding Board Rule 7.4 received the most reaches with 99.

- Views: 2,300
- Reaches: 307

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- *Content Interactions: 36*
- *Link Clicks: 8*
- *Visits: 73*
- *New Follows: 2*
- *Posts: 19*

The April 2025 Website Analytics report was provided.

<i>Visits</i>	<i>New Users</i>
3,100	2,500

The Board's approved policies as of October 25, 2024, were provided.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*Chair Dvorak adjourned at 1:09 p.m.*

  
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Dan Thiele, Secretary