

1 MINUTES

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3 BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS
4 AND MAPPERS

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6 RULES COMMITTEE

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8 HILTON / UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA CONFERENCE CENTER
9 1714 SW 34TH STREET
10 GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

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12 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2026
13 *(Immediately following the Exam Committee)*
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15 The meeting was called to order by Ia Hall, Committee Chair, at 2:44 p.m.

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17 **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

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19 Ia Hall, Board Member
20 Michael Zoltek, Board Chair
21 Jennifer Cannon, Board Member
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23 **BOARD AND STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

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25 Wendi McAleese, Board Vice Chair
26 Ia Hall, Board Member
27 Danny Williams, Board Member
28 Andrew Getz, Board Member
29 Jim Sullivan, Board Member
30 Jennifer Cannon, Board Member
31 Christopher Green, Executive Director
32 Regenia Lee, Government Analyst
33 Jacob Sternlicht, Board Counsel
34 Ana Gargollo-McDonald, Prosecuting Attorney
35 Amy Coody, Public Relations Specialist
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37 **OTHERS PRESENT**

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39 Martin J. Shatto
40 David Schryver
41 Don Elder
42 Lou Campanile
43 Dan Donaldson
44 Jacob Frisch
45 Sean Shroud
46 Liam Knowles
47 Sierra Torres
48 Chris McLaughlin
49 Austin Rupers
50 Eric Sarrio
51 Esteban Riveria
52 Evan Horne
53 Kyle Lee

Wesley Asmus
Jordan Atkinson
Frank Sawyer
Joshua Maxwell
Shennia Accema
Mason Mcloughlin
Ian Bain
Jarvaro Hampton
Robert Wright III
Doug Stoner
Kemp Morris
Britni Cobb
Michael Macstiny
Karol Hernandez
Scott Graham
Jack Breed
William Payne
Thomas Monaweck
Art Mastronicola
Richard Allen
Dhanushkan Gedara Hangili
Steven McMahon
Aaron Terrell
Ross Harvin
Jimmy Chao
Jose Correa

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 7, 2025, RULES COMMITTEE MINUTES

After discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: Mr. Zoltek made a motion to approve the October 7, 2025, minutes.
SECOND: Ms. Hall seconded.
ACTION: The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Hall said the minutes from the October 2025, Board meeting can be viewed for reference, lines 75-79. She stated that FDACS employee, Ceda Rudd, was preparing language regarding the NCEES PLSS for review and submission by the Board to the Florida Legislature for 2007. She reported that the PLSS test module will be ready in April 2027, and the official examination will be effective July 1, 2027, and be given in October 2027. She said that she discussed with Ms. Rudd the housekeeping changes that need to be made. She discussed adding language for a definition of a qualifying agent, continuing education oversight, and the electronic/digital signatures. She stated that Amy Coody is assisting with proposed language for the continuing education oversight.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Hall stated that there are issues with licensed and dissolved businesses that still have a LB license that no longer exist. She said that she spoke with Ms. Lee to cross-reference businesses using our database with the information provided by the Department of State, Division of Corporations. Mr. Zoltek asked if we could revoke someone's license that is no longer in business. Mr. Sternlicht stated licenses may not be revoked by the Board. He stated that the Administrative Procedure Act process must be followed to revoke a license. Mr. Green stated that if you want to review licensed businesses on a routine basis, we will have to be very careful about acting without attempting to contact. He said that there would have to be communication with the business before acting. Ms. Cannon asked if this was akin to a Bar

license. Mr. Sternlicht stated that the LB license is specifically for a business entity and the individual surveyors have a professional license. Mr. Sternlicht stated that a professional surveyor is not required to be attached to a business license, but a company with a LB license must have a Surveyor of Record to operate. Mr. Zoltek said that his concern are businesses that continue to produce surveys that are no longer in business and in violation of the rule, he asked who would you prosecute. Ms. Hall said that the Rule states that the following:

Chapter 472.021, Florida Statutes, Certification of partnerships and corporations:

(1) The practice of or the offer to practice surveying and mapping by registrants through a corporation or partnership offering surveying and mapping services to the public, or by a corporation or partnership offering said services to the public through registrants under ss. 472.001-472.037 as agents, employees, officers, or partners, is permitted subject to the provisions of ss. 472.001-472.037, provided that one or more of the principal officers of the corporation or one or more partners of the partnership and all personnel of the corporation or partnership who act in its behalf as surveyors and mappers in this state are registered as provided by ss. 472.001-472.037, and, further, provided that the corporation or partnership has been issued a certificate of authorization by the board as provided in this section. All final drawings, specifications, plans, reports, or other papers or documents involving the practice of surveying and mapping which are prepared or approved for the use of the corporation or partnership or for delivery to any person or for public record within the state must be dated and must bear the signature and seal of the registrant who prepared or approved them. Nothing in this section shall be construed to allow a corporation to hold a certificate of registration to practice surveying and mapping. No corporation or partnership shall be relieved of responsibility for the conduct or acts of its agents, employees, or officers by reason of its compliance with this section, nor shall any individual practicing surveying and mapping be relieved of responsibility for professional services performed by reason of his or her employment or relationship with a corporation or partnership.

She asked Mr. Sternlicht what the above statute meant. He stated that a corporation may not hold a LS license. She stated that unless there is a surveyor, a business cannot exist and, if there is no corporation, why the Board can't deactivate the LB number. Mr. Sternlicht said that to revoke a license, the Administrative Procedure Act process must be followed.

Ms. Hall stated that there is currently no rule on how many surveying and mapping businesses that a signing surveyor may represent. She asked if the Board wanted to discuss. Ms. Cannon stated that she thought it would come down to the surveyor who is representing the businesses and address it individually if there is a problem. Mr. Campanile stated that he wondered why there are licensed businesses anyway. He suggested doing away with them. Mr. Getz stated that he is seeing possible fraud by surveyors that are surveyors of record for more than one company and they are taking advantage of the fact that there is no rule stating you may not represent more than one company. He stated that he would like to see a Rule change so that a surveyor of record is limited to represent one company. Mr. Cramer suggested running the data to locate surveyors that are representing more than one company to see if it is an actual problem.

Ms. Hall questioned what action the Board could take to address repeat offenders. Mr. Sternlicht responded by stating that if it is in the penalty of the guidelines, a revocation is possible. Ms. Hall said that we have licensed businesses that close businesses and change their names. Mr. Art Mastronicola said that this is an ethics issue. Mr. Zoltek said that this Board is looking to identify repeat offenders and address them at that point. He also stated that the Board cannot decide wrongdoing unless it comes before the Board.

Ms. Hall said that she and Ms. Rudd discussed the continuing education credits rule and decided that it did not need to be addressed at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Don Elder said that all the rules have their limits and are imperfect.

ADJOURNMENT – Adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

168 **GENERAL BUSINESS**

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170 **FULL BOARD VOTE – RULES COMMITTEE REPORT – IA HALL**

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172 Ms. Hall reported that the Rules committee met and approved the meeting minutes for October 7,
173 2025. She reported what was discussed with Ms. Rudd. She said there was discussion on the
174 updates of the PLSS examination, and dissolved businesses. She said there was discussion on
175 how to track surveyors who work for more than one company.

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177 After discussion, the following motion was made:

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179 MOTION: Mr. Getz made a motion to approve the report as given.

180 SECOND: Ms. McAleese seconded.

181 ACTION: The motion passed unanimously

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183 **ADJOURNMENT** – Adjourned at 3:36 p.m.