



## EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS INCORPORATED

Charter Affiliate of the New York State Association of Professional Land Surveyors

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### MINUTES

#### EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING May 19, 2022

Hybrid Meeting  
The Mill, Round Lake, NY and virtual

President Strom called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Present: Randel Paquin, James Vianna, Lawrence O'Connor, Kaleb Winters, Richard Palmer, Jason Tommell and Brie Meisler

Absent: Jason Peterson, Dwayne Cooper, Pat VanHaverbeke, Lucas Boyer, Kristen Darrah, and Ashley Metz

#### **Secretary's Report: Dwayne Cooper**

- The April meeting minutes were presented to the BOD by President Meisler and reviewed by the BOD. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Kaleb Winters, seconded by Larry O'Connor. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

#### **Treasurer's Report: Jim Vianna**

- Jim reported to the BOD on the LPL account balance and the Bank account balance.
- A motion for ENYSLS to purchase more checks was made by Randy Paquin, seconded by Larry O'Connor. A vote was held, and the motion passed.
- Jim reported that the new Post Office Box fee would be \$198 annually up from \$166.

#### **MTS Report: Jim Vianna**

- Jim reported there has been no change in status.

#### **President's Report: Brie Meisler**

- Brie reported that she has changed her last name from Strom to Meisler.
- Brie submitted receipts for reimbursement for lodging while attending the Strategic Planning Conference. The reimbursement had already been voted on and approved by the BOD. Brie reported that the conference was well run and in her opinion was a success. Some of the topics discussed included: Pathways to Surveying, moving forward with Minimum Technical Standards, Legislative Initiatives, Health of the Regionals and Member Engagement, Education and other programming for members, Access to Public Records and the Economic well-being of surveyors.
- Brie reported on the NYSAPLS Board meeting
  - The budget was passed, and it included the first wage increase for NYSAPLS staff in four years. Heather has been with NYSAPLS nine years and now has a new title, Director of Operations.
  - The 2023 Conference is being planned for in-person.

- The Ad-Hoc DOT relations committee has met twice. The charge of the committee is to encourage lines of communication with DOT, and to assist DOT with access to acquisition mapping. They will likely expand the charge of this committee to encompass all public records. Legal counsel has been brought in to help with contacts with the higher ranks of the agency
- Education committee hosted several successful in-person workshops. Conference planned for in-person but will investigate hybrid model.
- Working with State Board about interpretation of new education requirements. Language is inconsistent in various places on the website.
- A new secretary, who is a PE, has been appointed to SBELSG
- The MTS committee is still awaiting feedback from State Board
- PR committee is currently focusing their social media campaign on Survey Innovation
- Strategic Planning session had 38 attendees, 16 of which were new. 5 regionals were not represented. Jim adds that CTS was a big point of discussion.
- YP committee are continuing their webcasts, which continue to be available on YouTube.
- The Fort Drum career fair was a success. It would have been helpful if it had been more fully staffed.

**Executive Vice President's Report: Jason Peterson**

- No Report

**Vice President's Report: Lucas Boyer**

- No report

**Past President's Report: Kaleb Winters**

- No report

## **Standing Committee Reports**

**Calibration Base Line (ad hoc):** Randy Paquin and Rick Palmer

- The intention of Randy and Rick is to have nails in the ground by the August Meeting.

**Constitution and By-Laws:** Larry O'Connor

**Continuing Education:** Jody Lounsbury, Charles Lent and Eric Crampton

**Ethical Practices:** Larry O'Connor, Jeff Ostertag and Charles Lent

**Finance:** Carl Rigdon and Chris Czerw

**Legislative:** Larry O'Connor

**Program:** Randy Paquin

**Public Relations:** Jody Lounsbury, Eric Crampton and Brie Strom

**Scholastic Development:** Randy Paquin and Kristen Darrah

**Business Practice and Technical Information:** Chris Czerw

**Membership:** Robert Wilklow and Steve Dickson

**Website:** Brie Strom, Dwayne Cooper and Charles Lent

**Old Business:**

- Certified Floodplain Surveyor for NYS. This was raised at the strategic planning session. This hasn't gone anywhere. State Board isn't interested at this time.

**New Business:**

- Should we host a summer-time family event? Will discuss/vote by email.
- Randy went to Ranger school and critiqued their topo projects.
- NSPS/Texas did a study about surveyor income in an effort to create pay equity.

**Upcoming Events:**

- 5/20/2022 [YP PANEL DISCUSSION: CHALLENGES FOR LAND SURVEYORS & THE SOLUTIONS TO OUR COMPLAINING](#) 12:00pm
- 6/3/2022 [Friday Webinar – Break Down Blueprint Part 3: New Geopotential Datum](#) 8:30-9:30 am, presenter Daniel Martin
- 7/8//2022 [Friday Webinar – Harassment in the Workplace](#), 8:30-9:30 am, presenter Lori Miller
- 7/15/2022 [NYSAPLS Board of Directors Meeting](#) , 2:00-4:00pm

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Randy Paquin, seconded by Kaleb Winters. A vote was held, and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne A. Cooper, PLS  
ENYSLS Secretary  
(meeting minutes provided by President Meisler)

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