



**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS
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MINUTES

**EASTERN NEW YORK SOCIETY OF LAND SURVEYORS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
May 13, 2021**

Virtual Meeting by phone and PC
Due to COVID-19 Pandemic gathering restrictions

President Winters called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm

Present: Kaleb Winters, Jason Peterson, Jim Vianna, Dwayne Cooper, Larry O'Connor, Rick Palmer, Randy Paquin Chuck Lent and Brie Strom

Absent: Lucas Boyer, Pat VanHaverbeke, Nick Lehman and Kristin Darrah

Secretary's Report: Dwayne Cooper

- The April 2021 BOD meeting minutes were presented to and reviewed by the BOD. Kaleb Winters had 2 minor revisions. A motion to accept the revised minutes was made by Brie Strom and seconded by Randy Paquin. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.
- Dwayne reported that the historic minutes had been updated to remove months where there were no meetings and to add a note stating "No meeting due to lack of quorum" for months where there was not a quorum.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Vianna

- Jim reported to the BOD on the LPL account balance and the Bank account balance.

Minimum Technical Standards

- Jim reported that there have not been any meetings since last month.

President's Report: Kaleb Winters

- Kaleb reported that there was very little feedback on the NYSAPLS proposals from the Regions. Kaleb reported to NYSAPLS that ENYSLS was split 50/50 in support of a dues increase. He also mentioned that it was suggested to have NYSAPLS offer some free webinars as a way to offset the dues increase.
- Kaleb also reported that he will let NYSAPLS know that ENYSLS is interested in hosting the 2025 Conference.
- Kaleb reported that there was no update on the NYSLTA letter.

Executive Vice President's Report: Brie Strom

- Brie reported that she had received a couple comments on the new language for the scholarships. She noted that she added ENYSLSecretary@gmail.com as the contact. There was discussion as to whether or not we can or should add a statement giving preference to those students looking to stay in state to work after school. After discussion, it was decided not to add it since students could add a statement to that affect regardless if it's true or not. It was noted that the current language gives the selections committee the ability to pick recipients based on applications submitted. Jim suggested raising the scholarship amount. After discussion it was noted that the amount to be presented is not noted anywhere on the application so the BOD can vote to change the amount year to year. Chuck Lent made a motion to accept the new scholarship language as present by Brie, the motion was seconded by Jason Peterson. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Vice President's Report: Lucas Boyer

- No report.

Past President's Report: Randy Paquin

- No report.

Standing Committee Reports

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

Pattersonville updates

- Randy reported that he had spoken with the legal department about any possible issues and with the Capital Facilities Manger about getting the necessary permits to install the monuments. Based on his conversations, it seems like all that will be required is a permit which should not be a problem to get. Randy and Rick will meet onsite to pick the locations for the monuments over the summer. Randy researched the cost of renting an auger, getting the markers and purchasing sono tubes and concrete and the total cost should be approximately \$700. After discussions it was decided that ENYSLS should send a letter to NYS OPRHP noting that the monuments are open to the public and publish the coordinate values for the monuments. It was suggested to install carsonite markers at the monuments and Jim said that he has some that we can install. Larry asked if we would need a certificate of insurance and it was decided that we would have NYSAPLS provide one. The last point of discussion was a source of water for the concrete. Randy said that he and Rick would look into it when they were doing the site recon. It was decided to shoot for late August or early September to install the monuments.

Constitution and By-Laws: Larry O'Connor

- No report.

Continuing Education: Jody Lounsbury, Chuck Lent, and Eric Crampton

- Nothing to report.

Ethics Practice: Larry O'Connor, Chuck Lent and Jeff Ostertag

- Nothing to report.

Finance: Carl Rigdon, Bill Darling, and Chris Czerw

- Nothing to report.

Legislative: Larry O'Connor

- Nothing to report.

Program: Randy Paquin and Gary Mitchell

- Nothing to report.

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

- Nothing to report.

Scholastic Development: Randy Paquin and Kristin Darrah

- See Executive Vice President's report.

Business Practice and Technical Information: Chris Czerw

- Nothing to report.

Membership: Robert Wilklow and Steve Dickson

- Nothing to report.

Website: Brie Strom, Chuck Lent and Dwayne Cooper

- See Secretary's report.

Old Business:

- Chuck and Randy checked the COA's and registrations of proprietor list/member list. All those listed on the proprietors list were current members of ENYSLS and all were registered. Of the 61 entities listed on the Proprietors list, 23 have a current COA. Of the remaining 38, approximately half are sole proprietors and do not need a COA. There is 1 LLP that is not listed in the Office of Professions, 1 proprietor listed is out of business and 1 no longer has a local presence. Kaleb said that he would like to send a letter to those that are lacking a COA to notify them of their status and remind them to get a current one.

New Business:

- ENYSLS Historic Records list. There was a discussion about contacting members seeking updates to the Historic Records list since it was last updated in 2010. Dwayne agreed to send out a letter to the members requesting any updates.
- Jason suggested setting up a meeting with Albany County Clerk's Office and ENYSLS to see if there are options for getting better access to filed maps. Jason said he was told that Albany County won't provide digital copies of maps. Kaleb said he would reach out the Clerk's Office and see what they would tell him when he requested a map. He also asked Jason to send him a summary of his encounter/conversation with Clerk's Office.

Upcoming Events

- Young Professionals Panel Discussion: Road to Licensure! will be held virtually on Friday, May 14th from 12pm - 1pm (<https://www.nysapls.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1512694>)
- 2021 Spring Webinar Week will be held virtually Monday May 17th - Thursday May 20th <https://www.nysapls.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1511329>
- NYSAPLS BOD Meeting will be held virtually on Friday, May 21st from 2pm - 4pm.
- ENYSLS BOD Meeting will be held virtually on Thursday August 12th at 5:30 pm.
- ENYSLS BOD Meeting & General Membership Meeting will be held virtually on Thursday September 9th at 5:30 pm.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jim Vianna and seconded by Randy Paquin. A vote was held, and the motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwayne A. Cooper, PLS
ENYSLS Secretary

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