

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2025**  
**BUSINESS SESSION 1**

**Call to order**

Central Zone Vice President Jason Suelter, P.E., S.E. (NE-PE) called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

**Roll call of member boards**

Central Zone Assistant Vice President James Hollandsworth, P.E., P.S. (MI-PS) performed the roll call of member boards. He noted that a quorum of member boards was present, with all Central Zone boards represented.

**Welcome and introductions**

Vice President Suelter welcomed attendees and provided opening announcements.

He also recognized individuals attending the Central Zone meeting for the first time.

**Review of schedule**

Vice President Suelter reviewed the schedule for the day.

**Call for additional agenda items**

Vice President Suelter asked for additional agenda items. None were noted. Delegates voted to accept the agenda.

**Zone business**

**Approval of minutes from 2025 Central Zone interim meeting**

Vice President Suelter noted that the draft minutes of the 2025 Central Zone interim meeting had been posted on the zone meeting webpage and asked for any corrections; no corrections were noted. The minutes were approved as distributed.

**New business**

Vice President Suelter led discussions on the following topics:

- Upcoming motions from the Finance Committee, the Oklahoma board and the Virginia board
- PE-Structural exam changes
- NCEES Foundation, with Dale Jans, P.E. (SD) contributing background information
- NCEES Education Awards
- MRA update
- Threats to licensure in Florida and Indiana

There were no Central Zone motions or actions to report from these discussions.

Vice President Suelter recessed the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2025  
BUSINESS SESSION 2**

**Call to order**

Vice President Suelter called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Vice President Suelter continued leading discussions on the following topics:

- Overnight edits to the motion from the Virginia board
- 2025–26 committees
  - Awards Committee
  - Leadership Development Committee
  - Nominations Committee
  - Site Selection Committee

There were no Central Zone motions or actions to report from these discussions.

**Invitation to 2026 Central/Northeast Zone joint interim meeting**

Vice President Suelter announced that the 2026 Central/Northeast Zone joint interim meeting will be held in Columbus, Ohio, on May 14–16, 2026. Representatives from the Ohio board gave a brief invitation and welcome.

**Update on state activities**

Member boards were requested to provide written reports or to email them to Vice President Suelter on recent activities. Copies of reports submitted by member boards are included as an appendix to these minutes.

**Adjournment**

Vice President Suelter adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Kevin Skibiski, P.E., S.E., P.L.S. (MO)  
NCEES Central Zone Secretary



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## 2025 Illinois PLS, PE, and SE Board updates

### PLS Board updates:

- Board is vacant one licensed member and one public member.
- As of 8/20/2025, there are a total of 996 active licenses.
- Rule amendments effective 7/23/2025:
  - Removes the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL iBT) exam as a requirement
  - Adds a requirement that applicants for licensure and restoration must certify they have read and understand the Act and Rules
  - Clarifies that the basic sciences requirement includes Chemistry and/or Physics
  - Adds new approved land surveying programs:
    - Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Land Surveying and Geomatics
    - University of Maine, Surveying Engineering Technology
  - Modest fee increases for application, renewal, certifications and design firm adjustments
  - Allows a professional design firm to request inactive status

### PE Board updates:

- As of 8/20/2025, there are a total of 22,208 active licenses.
- Rule amendments effective 7/23/2025:
  - Removes the experience requirement for enrollment as an engineer intern for non-approved education applicants
  - The experience requirement for licensure is now four years, regardless of if the applicant has an approved or non-approved degree
  - Removes the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL-iBT) exam as a requirement
  - Adds a requirement that applicants for licensure and restoration must certify they have read and understand the Act and Rules
  - Adds language clarifying that the PE civil/structural exam is no longer accepted for PE licensure
  - Modest fee increases for application, renewal, certifications and design firm adjustments
  - Adds language about accepting Endorsement applicants through the UK Mutual Recognition Agreement
  - Allows a professional design firm to request inactive status

## SE Board updates:

- As of 8/20/2025, there are a total of 3,611 active licenses.
- Rule amendments effective 7/23/2025:
  - Removes the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL-iBT) exam as a requirement
  - Adds a requirement that applicants for licensure and restoration must certify they have read and understand the Act and Rules
  - Adds language clarifying the PE Structural exam name change
  - Allows a professional design firm to request inactive status
  
- A second set of Rule revisions are pending (hopefully enacted by November) and will consist of:
  - Modest fee increases for application, renewal, certifications and design firm adjustments
  - Acceptance of internationally chartered structural engineers through the UK Mutual Recognition Agreement

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**Subject: IN PE Report Attached**

## Indiana PE Update

The Indiana General Assembly's 2025 legislative session was held on January 8, 2025, and adjourn on April 24, 2025. This session is considered a "long session" because it occurs in an odd-numbered year. The General Assembly focuses on creating a two-year budget for the state during the long session.

SB 101 would have created a loop hole that allows construction contractors with 25 years of experience to avoid the educational requirement and become a licensed professional engineer. The purpose of the bill was to provide a new pathway to registration as a professional engineer for an individual with at least 25 years of engineering experience who also passes the required examination on the individual's first attempt.

The Indiana state fee to apply for a P.E. license is \$300, which is deposited into the state General Fund. The testing fee to NCEES is a separate fee. The PLA processed 1,154 initial P.E. licenses during FY 2024.

Our Board has been working for over two years to amend our rules to allow PE applicants to sit for the PE Exam prior to obtaining the necessary work experience to become a PE, known as decoupling. We are close to getting the new rules our Office of Management and Budget, then on to our Public Notification Process and hopefully adoption.

One change our board has agreed to is to modify our definition of what we consider an "EAC ABET" "Approved engineering curriculum" means an EAC ABET accredited baccalaureate degree engineering program or a master's or doctoral engineering program from a school that has an EAC ABET accredited baccalaureate degree engineering program.

Also, our board continues to evaluate other potential pathways to licensure for applicants whose education does not meet our board's educational requirements which are basically an ABET Accredited Engineering Degree. Our board's debate regarding this subject have navigated to the differences between

ABET's Engineering Technology Curriculum Accreditation Requirements versus ABET's Engineering Curriculum Accreditation requirements. The Engineering requirements still remain more prescriptive than the Engineering Technology requirements which are more results driven with fewer prescriptive requirements than the engineering requirements.

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**Indiana State Board of Registration for Professional Surveyors**  
**Report to Central Zone of NCEES**

August 20, 2025

*The Indiana PS Board* - The Indiana Professional Surveyors' Board is comprised of five members - four professional surveyors and one public member. The Board meets quarterly.

*Number of licensees* - Indiana currently has 763 active professional surveyors licensed, 227 (30%) of which have out-of-state addresses. These numbers have remained quite consistent for the last few years.

*Number of new licensees* - In the last twelve months we have licensed 42 new surveyors of which 19 (45%) were comity. The pass rate on the Indiana exam during that time was 76%.

*Complaints* - Complaints in Indiana are sent directly to the Attorney General's Office. If they feel; the need, they will seek guidance from the Board's designated liaison, but they can also take action without any liaison input. Most cases seem to be dealt with through a settlement agreement (essentially a plea bargain) which must be approved by the Board. Seldom do complaints end up in a hearing before the Board. In the last several years, the AG's office seems focused primarily on numbers - getting complaints/cases cleared up as soon as possible. Typically, the AG's report to the Board shows 5-7 complaints/litigation files at some point in the process.

*Decoupling* - The Board is into its 3rd year of trying to get a Rule change through. The most important modification to the rule is decoupling. We understand that rule change is moving along through the process.

*Threats to Licensure* - We have been told by a knowledgeable source in the legislature that the surveying profession in Indiana needs to proactively work on developing a third route to licensure that focuses (although not exclusively) on experience. It is anticipated that a committee will be formed at our next meeting to study that issue.

## Michigan Board of Professional Surveyors

### Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA)

The Michigan Professional Surveyors Board (PSB) is under Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA), Board of Professional Surveyors. The PSB meets quarterly in January, May and September. Due to lack of agenda items only one (1) Michigan Professional Surveyors Board meeting was held in 2024.

#### Michigan Professional Surveyors Board (PSB)

The PSB consists of 5 Professional Surveyors, 1, Professional Engineer, 1 Licensed Architect and 2 Members of the Public.

#### General Information

- Michigan has 793 Professional Surveyors. Approximately half are residents of Michigan.
- In January 2024 new rules were approved by the Michigan Board of Professional Surveyors. The revisions were minor in nature.

Michigan Land Surveying Licensure requires (<http://www.michigan.gov/bplrules> & <http://www.legislature.mi.gov>)

#### ➤ Education

- a bachelor's degree in any discipline
- See Michigan Rules - R 339.17201 Educational requirements

#### ➤ Testing

- Take the NCEES FS Part I & PS Part IIA Nation Exams
- Take the Michigan Part IIB State specific test ([www.psiexams.com](http://www.psiexams.com))

#### ➤ Maintaining License

- Licenses are renewed every 2 years on the anniversary date a license is issued.
- The license fee or renewal is \$100 and must be renewed online at BPL's website using the online payment system.
- If the license expires for more than 60 days, you will be required to apply for re-licensure to reactivate the license.
- A Professional Surveyor in Michigan shall complete an average of 15 hours of continuing professional education annually for a total of 30 hours during a 2-year license cycle.

#### Land Surveying Universities and Colleges

- Michigan has 2 Universities that offer a bachelor's degree in Land Surveying
  - Michigan Technological University (MTU)
  - Ferris State University (FSU)
- There are 2 colleges that offer associate degrees in surveying.
  - Northern Michigan College (NMC)
  - Macomb College (MC)
  - NMU offers an Associate Degree in Marine Surveying. Michigan Technological University (MTU) and Ferris State University (FSU) offers a 2 + 2 Bachelor's Degree for NMC students.

## Complaints

- All complaints filed against a Professional Surveyor are filed with LARA.
- LARA will have an investigator review the case and interview witnesses.
- If LARA determines the complaint is credible, they will forward the complaint to the chairperson on the licensing board who then reviews the complaint or assigns it to another board member to review.
- If it is determined the professional surveyor is found to be in violation of the Occupational Code or Land Surveying Rules. The Licensing Board will make recommendations on fines and/or penalties.

## High Schools Offering Surveying Courses

- Airport High School, Ash Township, Monroe County, MI
- Gull High School, Richmond, MI
- Holly High School,



**MINNESOTA BOARD OF**  
ARCHITECTURE ■ ENGINEERING ■ LAND SURVEYING  
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE ■ GEOSCIENCE ■ INTERIOR DESIGN

Update from Minnesota Board  
NCEES 2025 Annual Meeting  
August 2025

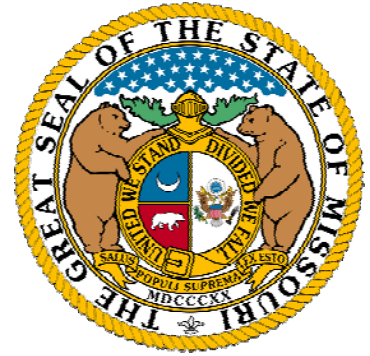
- Number of Professional Engineers as of 8/4/2025: 16,688
  - Number residing in state: 8,101
- Number of Land Surveyors as of 8/4/2025: 589
  - Number residing in state: 454
- Examination Results since August 14, 2024:

Exam Type	# Taken	# Pass	% Pass
FE	741	499	67%
PE	537	362	68%
FS	24	12	50%
PS	18	18	100%

- Legislation:
  - The Board had legislation passed changing its “comity” requirement to something more similar to “reciprocity,” allowing for retroactive enforcement, reducing the number of years of practice to serve on the Board from ten (10) years to five (5), and other provisions.

# REPORT TO NCEES – ANNUAL MEETING, STATE OF MISSOURI APEPLSPLA BOARD

AUGUST 2025



## I. MISSOURI BOARD OVERVIEW

The Missouri Board for Architects, Professional Engineers, Professional Land Surveyors and Professional Landscape Architects (APEPLSPLA) has four face-to-face meetings per year. By state statute, the full APEPLSPLA Board has a total of 15 members. The Architectural Division has three members, the Professional Engineering Division has four members, (current members are Kevin Skibiski, Division Chair, Amy Strauss, Michael Purol), the Professional Land Surveying Division has three members and the Professional Landscape Architectural Division has three members. We also have one Board Chair and one Public Member. The Board Chair is Robert N. “Bob” Harnett; a Professional Landscape Architect (PLA) and the Executive Director of the Board is Rhonda Bullock. We currently have three (3) vacancies on the APEPLSPLA Board, one (1) PE Member, (1) PLS Member, and our Public Member position.

## II. NUMBER OF LICENSES/COA’s GRANTED IN 2024:

- 320 - Professional Engineers were licensed by examination in 2024.
- 11 - Professional Land Surveyors were licensed by examination in 2024.
- 818 - Professional Engineering licenses were granted by comity.
- 7 - Professional Land Surveying licenses were granted by comity.
- 182 - Corporate Certificates of Authority for engineering were issued.
- 22 - Corporate Certificates of Authority for land surveying were issued.

## III. NUMBER OF LICENSES/COA’s AS OF AUGUST 7, 2025

- 19,681 - Professional Engineers are currently licensed with an active status and 1,976 are currently licensed with an inactive status.
- 826 - Professional Land Surveyors are currently licensed with an active status and 130 are currently licensed with an inactive status.
- 2,626 - Engineering Corporations.
- 325 - Land Surveying Corporations.

## IV. LEGISLATION

Senate Bill 81 was signed into law in Missouri on June 10, 2025, which included:

- License Reciprocity for Law Enforcement Spouses: Adding spouses of law enforcement officers to the list of individuals who receive expedited reciprocity for their occupational licenses.
- Expanding Criminal Background Checks: In response to a 2021 FBI policy change, SB 81 gives statutory authority to numerous state board and agencies to allow fingerprint-based criminal background checks. However, the professions that make up our Board were not included in the requirement.

## **V. OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION**

- Missouri went live with a new computer system (MOPRO) on January 14, 2025. Each licensee and applicant for licensure can now manage their personal account 24/7, including but not limited to applying for a license, renewing a license, whether on time or late, submitting payments online for a license, duplicate license, or license verification, changing your name, address, or other contact information, and/or changing a managing agent on your business Certificate of Authority.
- Board members have recently continued public outreach by hosting open houses during quarterly board meetings presentations to student chapters concerning licensing at local universities.

# Nebraska Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors

**FY 24-25**

*As of 7-1-2025.*

*Zone mtg report for 2025 NCEES Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA*

The NBELS board was formed in 1957.

**5 Board Members:**

4 surveyors, 1 public member.

Meets at least 6 times a year.

**Certificate of Authorization (COA):**

The Board started issuing COAs as of 9-1-2024. COA's expire on December 31 of odd-numbered years. Renewal fee is \$50.

**PLS**

Started with 319 PLS ended with 285 due to retirements, failed audits, reinstatements, etc.  
Issued new PLS digital seals and rubber-stamp seals.

Issued eight new Nebraska PLS and reciprocity licenses.  
Started and ended with 31 inactive surveyors.

**SIT:**

53 Surveyors-in-Training (SIT).

Issued five new SIT certificates.

**Complaints & Minimum Standards**

Five complaints with two ending in a settlement agreement, one voluntary surrender.  
Six Minimum Standards for Land Surveys in Nebraska informal complaints.

**Annual Report:**

Available on website.

**SRR**

6,654 surveys filed in the Nebraska Survey Record Repository for FY 24-25.  
(10,663 total pages scanned)