

MINUTES
POLICY ADVISORY OPINION COMMITTEE MEETING
TEXAS BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
1917 S. IH 35
AUSTIN, TX 78741
FEBRUARY 15, 2018—9:00 am

CALL TO ORDER. Kyle Womack, P.E., Chair called the Policy Advisory Opinion Committee meeting of the Texas Board of Professional Engineers to order at 9:00 am at the Texas Board of Professional Engineers at 1917 S. IH 35, Austin, TX. A quorum was present.

(NOTE: all votes are unanimous unless noted.)

1. Roll call and welcome visitors.

The following Committee members were present:

Kyle Womack, P.E.	Chair
Lamberto Ballí, P.E.	Member
Albert Cheng	Member
Catherine Norwood	Member

Ms. Veena Mohan, Assistant Attorney General, was present to provide legal counsel to the Board. Dr. Edward Summers, Mr. Sockalingam Kannappan, P.E., and Mr. Edmundo Gonzalez, P.E., Advisory Member, were present.

The following Committee member was not present:

Dr. Sina Nejad, P.E.	Member
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The following staff members were present:

Lance Kinney, Ph.D.,	Executive Director
P.E. David Howell, P.E.	Deputy Executive Director
Rick Strong, P.E.	Director of Licensing
Cristabel Bodden	Executive Assistant

Visitors: Kent O'Brien, P.E., Texas Department of Transportation.

2. Public comment. None.

DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY ACT ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS (AGENDA ITEMS 3-6):

3. Discuss and possibly approve the minutes from the November 17, 2017, Policy Advisory Committee meeting.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Norwood/Cheng) to approve the November 17, 2017, Licensing Committee minutes as submitted. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

4. Discuss and possibly approve the advisory opinion response for:

- **EAOR 43, Policy Advisory Request regarding a Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC) licensed inspector providing an opinion on a residential foundation and its relation to the practice of engineering.**

Mr. Howell provided an overview to the Committee and relayed that no public comments were submitted to the policy advisory draft published in the Texas Register. Mr. Howell stated the policy is now ready for adoption. The Committee members discussed the plan.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Norwood/Cheng) to recommend to the Board to adopt the EAOR 43 Policy Advisory request as submitted. A vote was taken and the MOTION PASSED.

5. Issues for consideration and schedule next meeting. No issues were discussed.

6. ADJOURN.

It was MOVED/SECONDED (Norwood/Cheng) to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 a.m. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Date minutes were approved by Committee as submitted:

May 16, 2018

Date Board accepted minutes:

May 17, 2018