

# ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

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**-MINUTES-**

**JANUARY 10, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of January 10, 2014 was called to order by Chairman Laurence A. Vallieres at 8:37 AM in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

**Members Present:** Laurence A. Vallieres, Contractor, Chairman  
Ronald Bish, Contractor  
Faith Gavin-Kuhn, Public Member  
Frank Halloran, Journeyman  
Bruce A. Silva, Unlimited Journeyman  
Anthony Soter, Journeyman  
John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician

**Members Absent:** Sandy Marino, Public Member  
David Munsill, Journeyman

**Member Vacancies:** One (1) Non-Union Contractor  
Two (2) Public Members

**DCP Staff:** Robert M. Kuzmich, Department of Consumer Protection  
Richard M. Hurlburt, Department of Consumer Protection

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**Others Present:** Chris Rayburn, Summit Integrated  
Robert Woytowich

Michael Carpenter  
Roy Duckworth, MacKensie Electric  
Keri Lamontagne, Connecticut Department of Labor  
Paul Costello, I.B.E.W.  
Ronald Bargantine, Realtime OME  
Corey Moccio, I.B.E.W.  
Trevor Collins, Fluor  
Justin Holloway, National Resource Management  
Stafford Shakes, State of CT.

**1. 8:30 AM call to order.** (Reminder to everyone to place their cell phones on silent”).

Mr. Vallieres called the meeting to order at 8:37 AM.

**2. Review Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

A. Review minutes of meetings of December 6, 2013.

After a thorough review by all, the Board voted to approve the minutes as submitted.  
(Soter/Bish)

**3. Comments or Concerns of Any Person Present Today:**

(A) Mr. Paul Costello from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and a Member of the State Code and Standards Committee addressed the Board regarding the recent meeting of the Codes and Standards Committee. The Committee discussed the current code adaption of the 2011 National Electric Code which was recently withdrawn from Regulations Review due to discrepancies and conflicts between the International Residential Code and the Energy Code but will be going back before them in near future.

The Committee also discussed using the electronic version of the National Electric Code for Continuing Education Courses. All members are in favor and recognize that this version is quickly becoming an industry standard.

**4. Report from Trade Practice Division:** for review by the Board.

There was no report presented from the Trade Practices Division.

## **5. Appearing before the Board at the Board's Request:**

No one scheduled before the Board today.

## **6. Request to Appear before the Board;**

(1) **Mr. Trevor A. Collins** regarding consideration from the Board for electrical licensing in Connecticut based upon his equivalent experience and training.

**7. Review of Applications(s) for Licensure Examination:** applicant(s) appearing in person.

Mr. Vallieres advised all in attendance at today's meeting of the Board general rules and guidelines as they apply to applicants appearing before them for consideration to sit for their respective license examinations. He made reference to the document sent to all applicants by the Department which details specific information the Board is expecting from the applicants in support of their equivalent experience and training in addition to other more general information.

In addition, Mr. Vallieres also made reference to the Boards Outline for Journeypersons which gives the specific hours for related classroom instruction including course curriculums and the required on-the-job training hours for each license type.

(1) **Bargantine, Ronald J.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Applicant changed his application type from a C-5 to a C-6 at the recommendation of the Board. The Board denied his application based upon a lack of related classroom instruction. The Board also suggested that the applicant consider the "T" type license as being more suited to his employment aspirations. (Halloran Soter)

(2) **Carpenter, Michael D.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Carpenter admitted to the Board that he does not meet all the requirements as outlined in the Board's package sent to him. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Industrial Technology and gave the Board a brief overview of the courses he took as a part of the curriculum for his degree. Mr. Carpenter also was a Home Inspector and Assistant Building Official in the past. He is now currently a technical education teacher but wishes to work with a company on a part-time basis which does security system work.

It was determined that Mr. Carpenter does not have any registered time doing electrical work and as such Mr. Soter made a motion to deny the application based upon a lack of related classroom instruction and on-the-job-training. The motion was seconded by Mr. Halloran. Ms. Lamontagne stated that due to Mr. Carpenter's current employment situation, he cannot register with the Department of Labor as an Apprentice on a part time basis. Mr., Carpenter's potential future employer addressed the Board and asked

the Board what his options are if he wishes to employ Mr. Carpenter in his current state of employment as a full time teacher.

The option of quitting his current job and registering full time as an apprentice with the Security Company was discussed and not likely to be done by Mr. Carpenter although it is his only alternative if he wishes to pursue the E-2 license type. Mr. Halloran clearly explained the Board's role to Mr. Carpenter in reaction to his frustration with not getting "recognition" from the Board for the credentials he holds relative to the E-2 license. The Board's position is not to act as the applicant's "Life Coach" and is charged with enforcing the law. The Board's motion carried unanimously.

(3) **Duckworth, IV, Roy D.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Applicant changed his application type from an E-1 to an E-2 at the recommendation of the Board. The Board denied his application based upon a lack of related classroom instruction. (Soter/Bish)

(4) **Holloway, Justin L.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Applicant changed his application type from an E-1 to an E-2 at the recommendation of the Board. The Board tabled his application based upon a lack of a complete application, specifically, related classroom instruction. (Halloran/Soter)

(5) **Izzo, Robert C.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on his application.

(6) **Moccio, Corey J.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted, unanimously, to approve his application. (Soter/Gavin-Kuhn)

(7) **Morzillo, James C.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on his application.

(8) **O'Brien, Patrick** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on his application.

(9) **Oram, Cody E.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Applicant changed his application type from an E-1 to an E-2 at the recommendation of the Board. The Board tabled his application based upon a lack of related classroom instruction and a more detailed clarification of his dates and duties of employment. (Soter/Bish)

(10) **Ribeiro, Mario A.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on his application.

(11) **Rayburn, Christopher D.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Applicant changed his application type from a C-5 to a C-6 at the recommendation of the Board. The Board denied his application based upon a lack of related classroom instruction. The Board determined the applicant's on-the-job training hours are sufficient and also suggested that the applicant consider the "L" type license as being more suited to his employment aspirations. (Halloran Soter)

(12) **Richards, Maxwell A.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. It was determined that this applicant was previously licensed. Therefore he is automatically approved to retest without further action from the Board.

(13) **Shakes, Stafford S.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board tabled his application based upon a lack of related classroom instruction and on-the-job training hours. (Halloran)

(14) **Wilk, Edward G.** – L-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Wilk notified the Department by e-mail requesting to reschedule his appearance before the Board to a future date. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(15) **Williams, Robert P.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Williams notified the Department by e-mail on January 8, 2014 to advise that he is withdrawing his application for consideration at this time. He also thanked the Board for their time and consideration.

#### **7A. First Review of Application(s) for Licensure Examination – Applicants Not Appearing before Board.**

##### With Apprenticeship Completion Letters:

The Board voted, unanimously, to approve the applicants listed below (including additions) to sit for their respective examinations on the basis of a Certified Apprenticeship Completion Letter from the Connecticut Department of Labor or other Board-Approved Agency. (Soter/Yusza)

(1) **Bassetti, Ryan J. J.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(2) **Debboli, Jr., Michael E.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(3) **Hazen, Eric H.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(4) **Johnson, James A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(5) **Little, Johnny M.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(6) **Mathis, Tarik O.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(7) **Perry, Adam S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(8) **Reis, Rui M.** - L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(9) **Sullivan, Jr., Timothy J.** - L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

On The Basis of Equivalent Experience and Training:

The Board voted, unanimously, to require the applicants listed below, except as otherwise noted, (including add-ons) to appear before the Board at their February 14, 2014 Regular Meeting for review of their applications to test for their respective license types. Mr. Kuzmich will mail back their original applications in addition to Board Meeting Date information and information regarding education and on-the-job training for Journey person license types. (Soter/Bish)

(1) **Alequin-Melo, Anthony** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(2) **Anderson, Wayne A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(3) **Pollack, Roy S.** - C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

(4) **Streater, Curtis J.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

**8. Applicant(s) for Licensure reappearing in-person;**

None before the Board today.

**9. Request for Renewal of License;** none before the Board today.

**10. Request for Reinstatement;** none before the Board today.

**11. Request for Reconsideration;** none before the Board today.

**12. Request to Suspend;** none before the Board today.

**13. Proposed Settlements and/or Stipulations Containing Consent Orders;** none before the Board today.

Settlements Agreements:

Stipulation Agreements:

**14. Notice of Continuance;** none before the Board today.

**15. Request to Dismiss or Request to Dismiss Without Prejudice;** none before the Board today.

**16. Request to Revise;** none before the Board today.

**17. Request to Reopen;** none before the Board today.

**18. Review of Examination Results;** none before the Board today.

Electrical:

TV & Radio:

## **19. Review of Correspondence:**

(A) Evaluation Forms For Continuing Education Course; for the Board's review and information. The Board acknowledged this correspondence and thanked the Department for the same. Board Members conducted a thorough review of the evaluation reports from the licensees.

(B) Northeastern Joint Apprenticeship & Training Committee; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this correspondence and thanked the Department for the same.

(C) Information concerning Military Occupational Specialty Task Force; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this correspondence and thanked the Department for the same.

(D) Statistical database for Electrical Licenses - Calendar Year 2013; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this correspondence and thanked the Department for the same.

## **20. Old Business:**

### **21. New Business:**

(A) Mr. Vallieres asked the Department notify all 2014 Electrical Continuing Education Providers by e-mail and provide them with the following information:

All participants in Electrical Continuing Education Classes are required to show proof of having either the hard copy or the electronic version of the 2011 National Electrical Code at the time of entry to class. Participants who do not have either copy of the 2011 National Electrical Code shall not be allowed into the class and will need to be rescheduled.

(B) Mr. Vallieres notified the Board that he will be attending an Examination Review Session for the L-1 and L-2 Examination along with others from Local 42 on Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at the Farmington Marriot. Mr. Hurlburt explained the details of the review session.

**22. Continuation of Formal Administrative Hearings;** none before the Board today.

**23. Matters Previously Heard Pending Decision;** none before the Board today.

**24. Final Decisions Pending Signature;** none before the Board today.

**25. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:**

No one scheduled before the Board today. In addition, there were no additional requests from anyone present at today's meeting.

**26. Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM. The next Regular Meeting of the Electrical Work Examining Board is scheduled for Friday, February 14, 2014 at 8:30 AM; State Office Building; Room 126; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut. (Soter/Vallieres)*

Respectfully Submitted,

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