

ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

-MINUTES-

SEPTEMBER 11, 2015

The Regular Meeting of September 11, 2015 was called to order by Chairman Larry Vallieres at 8:32 AM in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

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

Members Absent: David Munsill, Journeyman

Member Vacancies: One (1) Non-Union Contractor
One (1) Union Unlimited Journeyman
Three (3) Public Members

DCP Board Staff: Karen Layman, Department of Consumer Protection
Richard Hurlburt, Department of Consumer Protection

Others Present: Craig Porter, Poyant Signs
Marco F. Vieira, Poyant Signs
Daniel Quincy, Pratt & Whitney
Wesley London, Lavertue Electric
Ryan McChesney, JLS Electric
Keri Lamontagne, Connecticut Department of Labor
Darren Sensenig, Lebanon Valley Electric
Christopher Gaylor, Elm Electrical, Inc.
Kevin C. Hall, Macy's Inc.
Robert Woytowich
Paul Costello, JATC 90
Gianmarco Del Vecchio
Eric Heaven
Owen Osagie, J. Lee Associates

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1. 8:30 AM call to order.

Chairman Mr. Larry Vallieres called the meeting to order at 8:32 AM.

2. Review Minutes of Previous Meetings:

A. Review minutes of meetings of the August 7, 2015.

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

3. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

There were no requests to speak from anyone present at today's meeting.

4. DCP Trade Practices Division Complaint Status Report: review of complaint report submitted by the DCP Trade Practices Division including open, closed, and dismissed cases for review by the Board.

Mr. Vallieres noted that there was no report submitted from the Trade Practices Division for the Board to review.

5. 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 Board's 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) **Albe, III, Joseph J.** - C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Note: applicant's Connecticut Department of Labor Apprenticeship Completion Letter indicates L-6. Mr. Albe e-mailed the Department on 09-10-2015 requesting to reschedule his appearance before the board. Therefore, the Board took no action on his application.

(2) **Bobb, Mark W.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Bobb e-mailed the Department on 09-03-2015 requesting to reschedule his appearance before the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on his application.

(3) **Connors, Ryan T.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted, unanimously, to conditionally approve this applicant for his respective examination type subject to receipt by the Department of OSHA 30 Certification. (Soter/Bish)

(4) **DelVecchio, Gianmarco** - 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 today's meeting per the suggestion of the Board. The Board voted, unanimously, to table this application based upon the lack of on-the-job training, related classroom instruction hours, and OSHA 30 Certification. (Bish/Soter)

(5) **Feil, Todd A.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant e-mailed the Department on 09-04-2015 requesting to reschedule his appearance before the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on his application at today's meeting.

(6) **Gaylor, Christopher M.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve this applicant for his respective examination type subject to receipt by the Department of OSHA 30 Certification. (Soter/____)

(7) **Hall, Kevin C.** - C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve applicant for his respective examination type subject to receipt by the Department of OSHA 30 Certification. (Yusza/Silva)

The Board also voted unanimously that the representative from the applicant's employer who verified applicant's work experience, Mr. John Flanagan from Macy's Inc., come before them to discuss their concern over potential unregistered on-the-job training hours. (Soter/Bish)

(8) **Kazolias, Philotemo** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at today's meeting as previously requested. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(9) **Kores, Donald S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant called the Department to advise that he was not able to attend today's meeting as previously requested. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(10) **London, Wesley S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted, unanimously, to table this application type at today's meeting based upon a lack of a notarized letter verifying the applicant's on-the-job training hours, proof of related classroom instruction, and OSHA 30 Certification. (Soter/____)

(11) **McChesney, Ryan P.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to approve the applicant for his respective examination type. (Soter/Bish)

(12) **Osagie, Owen C.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted, unanimously, to table this application at today's meeting based upon it being incomplete lacking proof of the required related classroom instruction hours (600 hrs. completed of the required 720 hrs.), on-the-job training hours, and OSHA 30 Certification. (Soter/Bish)

(13) **Sensenig, Darren R.** - 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 today's meeting per the suggestion of the Board. The Board voted, unanimously, to table this application based upon it being incomplete lacking proof of the required related classroom instruction hours (576 hrs. completed of the required 720 hrs.) and OSHA 30 Certification. (Soter/____)

(14) **Serrano, David** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at today's meeting as previously requested. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(15) **Spittler, Michael A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant e-mailed the Department on 08-25-2015 requesting to reschedule his appearance before the board. Therefore the Board took no action on his application.

(16) **Stafford, Daniel M.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Applicant was not present at today's meeting as previously requested. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(17) **Vieira, Marco F.** - 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 today's meeting per the suggestion of the Board. The Board voted, unanimously, to table this application based upon receipt of an Apprenticeship Completion Certificate from the State of Rhode Island. In addition, the applicant is short 120 hours of the required 720 hours of related classroom instruction. The Board also requires the applicant to have OSHA 30 Certification. (Soter/Bish)

The Board voted to add the following individual to today's agenda:

(18) **Heaven, Eric** - individual requesting information from the Board regarding applying for an Electrical Journeyperson's license. It was noted for the record that Mr. Heaven does not currently have an application for this license on file with the Department.

Mr. Heaven presented the Board with documentation of his past work experience from his previous employers including T & T Electrical Contractors, Inc. and Lighthouse Enterprises, Inc. Ms. Lamontagne from the Department of Labor confirmed for the Board that Mr. Heaven has accrued 2, 880 hours of registered on-the-job training. The Board further questioned Mr. Heaven on his work history. In response the applicant stated that he has done "side work" by himself while working for Taylor Electric from East Hartford, Connecticut.

The Board determined Mr. Heaven's on-the-job training hours are short of the required 8,000 hours. In addition, they also determined that the applicant is short of the required 720 hours of related classroom instruction having only accrued 576 hours. The Board voted unanimously to deny this applicant (should he make application at this time) on the basis of a lack of both the required on-the job training hours and related classroom instruction hours. (Soter/Bish)

The Board also voted unanimously to have representatives from both Taylor Electric and Electrical Facilities, Inc. appear in person to discuss concern over potential unregistered on-the-job training hours.

5A. 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), except as otherwise noted, 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/Bish)

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

(2) **Basile, Jospeh M.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(3) **Bogus, Thomas M.** – C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(4) **Caputo, Jr., Mark A.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(5) **Castillo, Juan C.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(6) **Dorn, Anthony C.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(7) **Dwyer Christopher P.** – C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(8) **Eddy, Brendan D.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(9) **Flores, Jonathan** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(10) **Keller, Justin T.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 (New York City) of the I.B.E.W. The Board voted unanimously to table this application at today's meeting based upon questions they had regarding the applicant's apprenticeship completion certificate. (Soter) The Board requested the applicant come before them at their next meeting scheduled for October 9, 2015 to address their concerns.

- (11) **Kosko, Jesse B.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (12) **McManus, Donal G.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (13) **Morris, David P.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (14) **Nason, Joshua A.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter
- (15) **Osborne, Grant C.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (16) **Portal, Ryan C.** – C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (17) **Russo, Neal S.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (18) **Simpson, Nicholas L.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (19) **Theodore, Brian F.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (20) **Tomkunas, Michael A.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (21) **Vallillo, Robert J.** – E-2 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 them at their October 9, 2015 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 Journeyperson license types. (Soter/Silva)

- (1) **Adams, John** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

- (2) **Calabro, Cory S.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (3) **Frederick, Jerome P.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (4) **Geiger, William M.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (5) **Kucera, Kevin J.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (6) **Mottshaw, Todd** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (7) **Pellegrino, Nicholas** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (8) **Rothgeb, James E.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

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

- (1) **Quincy, Daniel R.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table this application at their meeting held June 19, 2015 pending completion of the required related classroom instruction hours and OSHA 30 Certification. Subsequent to the Board’s review of the additional documentation submitted to them by the applicant at today’s meeting, the Board voted unanimously to approve his application. (Soter/Bish)

7. Review of Correspondence:

(A) Evaluation Forms For Continuing Education Course; for the Board’s review and information. The Board acknowledged this information.

(B) School Summary Report Electrical E2 Revised Examination of 06-26-2014; for the Board’s information. The Board acknowledged this information.

(C) Relevant Sections of Chapter 393 Statutes/Regulations pertaining to education and training courses; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this information. They also requested that this information be placed on the Board's October 9, 2015 Meeting Agenda for further discussion.

(D) Apprenticeship Council Information; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this information. They also requested that this information be placed on the Board's October 9, 2015 Meeting Agenda for further discussion.

8. Old Business:

(1) Application of **Mr. Thomas J. Murphy** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the New York City Chapter of N.E.C.A. Subsequent to the Board's review of the additional documentation submitted to them by the applicant at today's meeting, the Board voted unanimously to approve his application. (Soter/Gavin-Kuhn)

9. New Business:

1. Mr. Hurlburt stated to the Board that PSI, the Department's Testing Company, has recently reviewed the Bulletins of Exam Information for the various trades to ensure that all the electrical related questions can be referenced to the 2011 and 2014 Codes. As such, the wording in the bulletins is being changed to eliminate any references to older codes.

2. The Board set Friday, October 2, 2015 as the date they will convene to review all Electrical Continuing Education Submittals for the 2015-2016 license year. The meeting will commence at 9:00 AM in Room No. 117 of the State Office Building. Mr. Kuzmich will confirm the meeting date and location to all Board members by e-mail in the near future.

10. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

There were no requests to speak from anyone present at today's meeting.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM. (Vallieres/Soter) The next Regular Meeting of the Electrical Work Examining Board is scheduled for Friday, October 9, 2015 at 8:30 AM;
State Office Building; Room 126; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A.
License and Applications Specialist