

ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

-MINUTES-

OCTOBER 14, 2016

The Regular Meeting of October 14, 2016 was held in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06106.

Members Present: Ronald Bish, Unlimited Contractor
Faith Gavin-Kuhn, Public Member
Bruce A. Silva, Unlimited Journeyman
Anthony Soter, Unlimited Journeyman
Laurence A. Vallieres, Unlimited Contractor, Chairman
Robert Woytowich, Unlimited Journeyman

Members Absent: David Munsill, Unlimited Journeyman
John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician

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

DCP Board Staff: Robert M. Kuzmich, License and Applications Specialist,
Department of Consumer Protection
Theodore M. Doolittle, Division Director, Department of
Consumer Protection

Others Present: Larry Satchell, Department of Labor
Paul Costello, JATC 90

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions, and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information, contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, at (860) 713-6135 or Fax (860) 706-1202.

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1. Call to order.

Chairman Mr. Larry Vallieres called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM.

2. Review Minutes of Previous Meeting: September 9, 2016.

The Board voted to approve the minutes as submitted. (Bish/Soter) It is noted that Mr. Woytowich abstained from the vote since he was not present at the September 9, 2016 meeting.

3. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

None.

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.

The Department gave the Board a list of current complaints as obtained from their database. Mr. Vallieres inquired about the nature of some complaint resolutions indicated on the report. In response, Mr. Doolittle stated that he will try and get more information and contact Mr. Vallieres by e-mail or telephone. In addition, Mr. Doolittle noted that the Department hopes to be calling upon the services of this Board in the near future with regards to complaint investigation.

5. First Review of Application(s) for Licensure Examination – Applicants Not Appearing before Board.

On The Basis of Equivalent Experience and Training:

(1) **LeDuc, Scott C.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted, unanimously, to table this application pending more information regarding the applicant's on-the-job training hours and related classroom instruction. Further, they required that the applicant appear before them at their next meeting scheduled for November 14, 2016.

6. Review of Correspondence:

(A) Evaluation Forms for Continuing Education Course.

The Board acknowledged receipt of this information.

(B) E-Mail dated September 16, 2016 from Mr. Richard Hurlburt concerning new E-2 Apprenticeship School.

Mr. Vallieres noted that he believes that Manufacturing Alliance Service Corporation is not a state-approved provider of related classroom instruction relative to apprenticeship programs. Mr. Satchell verified that this entity is not an approved provider. Mr. Vallieres asked that this be verified with Mr. Todd Berch, Program manager, Office of Apprenticeship Training and the Board be advised of this information at their next

meeting. In addition, the Board asked that Mr. Berch e-mail Mr. Hurlburt if the business is not an approved provider.

(C) 2017 Schedule for Board, Commission, and Council Meetings.

The Board acknowledged receipt of this information noting that they will be meeting six times next year.

7. New Business:

(A) Request for Comparative Analysis of Related Instruction and On the Job Training document.

The Board has questions for Mr. Hurlburt relative to this document. As such, they voted, unanimously, to table further discussion on this matter until their next meeting scheduled for Monday, November 14, 2016. (Soter/Bish)

(B) Mr. Vallieres discussed the Department's draft of the Commissioner's Memorandum of Understanding among the Department of Consumer Protection, the Department of Labor, Office of Apprenticeship Training, and the Boards with respect to their statutory duties relating to licensing, apprenticeship equivalency, experience and enforcement.

Mr. Vallieres noted that the need for this agreement arises from the U.S. Supreme Court decision requiring boards or commissions with compositions such as the Board be "actively supervised" by the state in order for the Board to have antitrust immunity.

Mr. Vallieres stated that he believes, based on this Board's history, that the public benefits by having applicants coming before the Board for discussion on their equivalent experience and training. He also advised all Board Members to attend the upcoming meeting with the Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection regarding the Commissioner's Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to be held on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Rm. No. 126, at 9:00 AM.

(C) The Board decided to change the date of their next regular meeting to Monday, November 14, 2016 at 8:30 AM, State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Room No. 126, Hartford, Connecticut. This change was made to accommodate further discussion by the Board of the aforementioned Memorandum of Understanding prior to the Commissioner's November 16, 2016 meeting.

8. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today

None.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:39 AM. (Soter)

Respectfully Submitted,

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

Upcoming Electrical Board Meeting Dates:

November 14, 2016

Meetings take place at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, Room 126 at 8:30 AM.