

# ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

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**-MINUTES-**

**JUNE 7, 2013**

The Regular Meeting of June 7, 2013 was called to order by Chairman Laurence A. Vallieres at 8:31 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  
John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician

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

**Member Vacancy:** Three (Contractor (non-Union), & Two  
Public Members)

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

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**Others Present:**

Robert Woytowich  
Rich Tice, VEC  
Robert Flanagan, OMNI  
Jeremy Caswell, IMS  
Michael Zambetti, Zambetti Electric  
Joseph Skladzien, LBI  
Mark Rodrigo, Coghlan  
Michael Meadows, NFA  
Paul Montana,  
Lisa Marroquin  
Peter Danieluk  
Keri Lamontagne, Connecticut Department of Labor  
Chris Saunders, AFZ Solar  
Josh Carr, Premium Electric

**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 8:31AM.

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

A. Review minutes of meetings of June 7, 2013.

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

**3. 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.

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

Mr. Vallieres acknowledged this report as submitted on behalf of the Board and thanked the Department for the same. It was noted that the report primarily consists of continuing education cases.

**5. Appearing before the Board at the Board’s Request:** no one scheduled before the Board today.

**6. Request to Appear before the Board;** no one scheduled before the Board today.

**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) **Caswell, Jeremy J.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table his application pending receipt of a detailed employment history from his past and current employers. In addition, the Board noted that he has not satisfied the required related classroom instruction hours for the license type he is applying for. (Halloran/Bish)

(2) **Chapman, Luke T.** – C-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.

(3) **Danieluk, Peter** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

Mr. Danieluk addressed the Board stating his classroom and work experience in the electrical field. He holds collegiate degrees in electrical engineering and has worked in both residential and industrial and electrical work. He has also taught electronics in the Connecticut State Regional Vocational Technical High School system. He is currently employed at Millstone Nuclear Power Plant as a contractor doing electrical planning. He stated to the Board that needs the Journeyperson's license as a stepping stone towards getting the E-1 License in case he goes back into the State Regional Vocational Technical High School System to lead classes in the field for students to accrue on-the-job training experience. Mr. Danieluk stated that he will not need the license for his current work as an electrical engineer.

Ms. Gavin-Kuhn suggested that Mr. Danieluk contact the Regional Vocational School System now because she knows that they currently have teaching opportunities available. Mr. Bish first motioned to table Mr. Danieluk's application pending receipt of more evidence of hand-on field experience. Ms. Gavin-Kuhn seconded the motion adding that the issue at stake here is really both public safety and the applicant's safety relative to requiring more hands on field experience. Mr. Vallieres also noted that all

other applicants applying for the E-2 license examination have demonstrated the required 8,000 hours of on-the-job training. He noted that this is an unlimited license type the applicant is applying for and therefore evidence of the applicant being well rounded and versed in all areas of electrical work is critical. Mr. Yusza added that the applicants experience, both field and classroom, is what is passed on to the student which is why the law requires the on-the-job training element of the application process. The motion carried unanimously.

After the vote and in response to a question from Mr. Danieluk, Mr. Vallieres clarified that the Board is looking for evidence that he has completed that required 8,000 hour apprenticeship (as evidenced by notarized letters from past and present employer's) as a registered apprentice in a State sanctioned program.

(4) **East, Ralph G.** - PV-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.

(5) **East, Ralph G.** - PV-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.

(6) **Flanagan, Jr., Robert P.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #363 of the I.B.E.W. in conjunction with the Westchester-Fairfield Chapter of N.E.C.A. The applicant changed his application type from an E-1 to an E-2 at the recommendation of the Board. The Board voted unanimously to approve his application. (Halloran/Bish)

(7) **Meadows, Michael J.** - L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table his application pending receipt of a more detailed breakdown of his on-the-job training and related classroom instruction. (Halloran/Bish)

(8) **Rodrigo, Mark A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to approve his application. (Bish/Silva)

9) **Saunders, Chris** - PV-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Saunders had his current employer, Mr. Dan Lichtman, present to answer any questions the Board may have regarding this applicant's application. It was determined that this applicant has a lapsed PV-2 license expiring in 2009. Mr. Lichtman asked the Board if they will allow Mr. Saunders to sit for the PV-1 License examination based upon the fact that he held a PV-2 license for one year. Admittedly, Mr. Lichtman stated that his company should have renewed Mr. Saunders

PV-2 license in Connecticut but failed to do so. During the time since his license expired, the applicant has worked in the photovoltaic profession out-of-state.

Mr. Vallieres suggested to Mr. Saunders that his best option is to retest for the PV-2 license since it has been lapsed more than one year and the Board will not grant him a PV-1 license at this time based upon the current circumstances. He suggested the Board may entertain hardship to waive a portion of the two year waiting period once he has the PV-2 license if a legitimate hardship is presented. If the Board should look at the present application for a PV-2, he may not have met the current curriculum for this license type and he may be denied and have to start over which is why the Board suggests he take their approval to retest now for the PV-2 based upon him previously holding the license.

Mr. Halloran clarified for the applicant's employer that since he holds a PV-1 Contractor license, he can pull permits even though he resides out-of-state. This fact resolves a significant issue the company thought they were facing. In light of this development, Mr. Saunders withdrew his application for the PV-1 Limited Contractor's License Examination and was unanimously approved by the Board to retest for the PV-2 Limited Journeyman's License Examination.

(10) **Skladzien, Jr., Joseph** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to deny his application to sit for the E-2 Unlimited Electrical Journeyman's License Examination on the basis of a lack of Related Classroom Instruction. (Bish/Halloran)

(11) **Stephens, Jr., Gregg W.** – PV-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.

(12) **Stephens, Jr., Gregg W.** – PV-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.

(13) **Teixeira, Andrew L.** – 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.

(14) **Tice, Richard W.** – 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 voted unanimously to approve his application. (Halloran/Bish)

(15) **Walsh, Timothy M.** - 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.

(16) **Zambetti, Michael A.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Zambetti questioned the statutory qualifications for an E-1 license noting that equivalent experience and training can be considered by the Board. Mr. Halloran noted that it is the Board's interpretation that a Journeyman's License in Connecticut must be held first for two years prior to applying for the E-1 license type. The Board clarified for the Mr. Zambetti that an E-2 license will fulfill what he needs to do in. The Board noted that with an E-2 license, his company can partner with a Connecticut E-1 license holder in order to obtain permits for jobs. In light of this fact, Mr. Zambetti agreed to change the license type he is applying for from an E-2 to an E-1.

After a thorough review of his qualifications by all the Board, they voted unanimously to approve Mr. Zambetti for the E-2 Unlimited Journeyman's License Examination. (Halloran/Bish)

#### **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 add-ons) 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. (Bish/Yusza)

(1) **Anello, John A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

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

(3) **Ciccio, Jonathan F.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(4) **Cronk, Robert S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

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

- (6) **Heery, Joseph M.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (7) **Lamanna, Ryan A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion Letter.
- (8) **Pinchuk, Scott J.** - C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (9) **Skurja, David C.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (10) **Sterling, Jr., Charles W.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (11) **Stocking, Matthew** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (12) **Stirpe, Jason V.** - C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (13) **Sullivan, Joseph P.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (14) **Syc, Edward J.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (15) **Wyluda, Artur** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (16) **Zimmerman, Roderick A.** - 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 the Board at their August 2, 2013 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. (Bish/Gavin Kuhn)

- (1) **Angers, Kevin M.** – PV-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (2) **Aponte, Steven** – C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (3) **Beckwith, V, George C.** – C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (4) **Bowman, William B.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (5) **Iori, Anthony** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (6) **Kelsey, Randall V.** – PV-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (7) **Montana, Paul T.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to approve his application. (Halloran/Bish)
- (8) **Petrusewicz, David M.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to approve his application. (Halloran/Bish)
- (9) **Ringe, Vladislav** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (10) **Robbins, Marc G.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (11) **Rosario, Jonathan** – L-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

Other:

- (1) **Dagliere, Dean A.** – C-5 applicant holding a current L-5 license without proof of completion of both *Basic Telecommunications* and *Telecom Cabling* Courses. The Board voted unanimously to deny his application for the C-5 Limited License Examination on the basis of not holding the C-6 Unlimited Journeyman's license for the requisite two



year period. It was also noted that the applicant must complete above listed courses prior to applying for the L-6 License Examination.

(2) **Zanesky, Michael E.**- L-5 applicant applying for L5 without having yet passed the L-6 exam. L-6 application has since expired. The Board voted unanimously to his application for the L-5 Limited License Examination on the basis of not holding the L-6 Unlimited Journeyman's license for the requisite two year period.

**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) "Active" - Credential Status as of May 7, 2013 for Department of Consumer Protection Occupational License Types; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(C) Connecticut Occupational Trades School Summary, dated May 15, 2013, for CT E2 Unlimited Electrical Journeyman; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this information and thanked the Department for the same. Mr. Vallieres will forward a copy of this report to Mr. Jon Waleski at the Department of Education as he feels this is beneficial information for him to have.

Mr. Hurlburt reminded the Board that this report does not reflect students who left trade school four years prior. These also raises the issue of trade school graduates now working in the field for a specified period of time and are then allowed to take the test without taking any code update or other continuing education courses because they are deemed to have satisfies the related classroom instruction element upon graduation from an approved trade school.

(D) Media Release from the Connecticut Department of Labor dated May 22, 2012; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged this information and thanked the Department for the same.

## **20. Old Business:**

No items were discussed.

## **21. New Business:**

1. Mr. Yusza noted that some of the Continuing Education Evaluation Reports that the Board receives are being sent to them by the providers and not the students. Mr. Vallieres asked the Department to send written notice to providers reminding them that students are to be sending this documentation to the Board and not the providers.

2. Mr. Vallieres addressed continuing education for the 2014 Year and mentioned the possibility of a Connecticut Electrical Code change. Discussion on Continuing Education will be continued on the Board's August 2, 2013 Regular Meeting Agenda.

**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:**

**26. Adjournment**

*The meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM. (Vallieres/Halloran) The next Regular Meeting of the Electrical Work Examining Board is scheduled for Friday, August 2, 2013 at 8:30 AM; State Office Building; Room 126; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.*

Respectfully Submitted,

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License and Applications Specialist