

ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

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JULY 11, 2014

The Regular Meeting of July 11, 2014 was called to order by Acting Chairman Frank Halloran at 8:34 AM in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

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

Members Absent: Sandy Marino, Public Member
Laurence A. Vallieres, Contractor, Chairman

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

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

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Others Present:

Joshua Mengel
Shahriar Saadat
Paul Hermann
James Roy
Pablo Pozo
Keri Lamontagne, Connecticut Department of Labor
James J. Olsen, James Olsen Electric, LLC
Michael Douglas, Sonitrol/Voice New England
Robert Woytowich
Tim Smith, Defender Security
Denis Mikhaylichenko, Griffin Electric
Luis Burgos, LRS
Joshua Bush, LRS
James Dekle, Noviriam
Paull Costello, JATC 90
Alfonson Vacchio
Aaron Wahrsager
Richard Tierney, Astrum Solar
V. Mitchell, Tunxis C.C.
Jerry Piscitelli, Tunxis C.C.
Eric Streib, Energy (illegible) Systems, LLC

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 8:29 AM.

2. Review Minutes of Previous Meetings:

A. Review minutes of meetings of *June 13, 2014*.

After a thorough review by all, the Board voted to approve the minutes as submitted. (Bish/Soter) It is noted the Mr. Halloran abstained from the vote since he was not present at this meeting.

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.

There was no report submitted 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;

No one scheduled to appear before the Board today.

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

Mr. Halloran 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. Halloran 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) **Burgos, Luis B.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table Mr. Burgos's application on the basis of a lack of the required related classroom instruction hours. (Soter/____)

(2) **Bush, Joshua J.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table Mr. Bush's application on the basis of it being incomplete at present. The Board require notarized transcripts from the provider of the applicant's related classroom instruction. (Soter/Bish)

(3) **Caceres, Bruce L.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Caceres was not present, as requested, at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(4) **Dekle, James E.** – L-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Dekle changed the license examination type he is applying for from an L-1 to an L-2 at today's meeting per the Board's recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Dekle's application for his respective examination type. (Bish/Gavin-Kuhn)

- (5) **Hermann, Paul J.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Hermann changed the license examination type he is applying for from a C-5 to a C-6 at today's meeting per the Board's recommendation. The Board voted to table his application because it is incomplete as it stands. The application is missing official transcripts of applicant's related classroom instruction and written documentation of his completed on-the-job training hours. (Soter/Yusza)
- (6) **Lamarre, Jean H.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Lamarre was not present, as requested, at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.
- (7) **Lynch, Michael S.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Lynch was not present, as requested, at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.
- (8) **McLaughlin, Timothy E.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. McLaughlin was not present, as requested, at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.
- (9) **Mikhaylichenko, Denis** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table Mr. Mikhaylichenko's application. The application indicates that the applicant is short approximately 150 hours of related classroom instruction. (Soter/Bish)
- (10) **Mills, Jordan S.** – PV-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Mills was not present, as requested, at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.
- (11) **Olsen, James J.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant changed the license examination type he is applying for from an E-1 to an E-2 at today's meeting per the Board's recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to deny the application based upon the lack of the required 720 related classroom instruction hours. (Soter/Bish)
- (12) **Payne, Jr., David B.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Payne was not present, as requested, at today's meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.
- (13) **Pozo, Pablo E.** – C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to deny the application based upon the lack of on-the-job training hours and the required (appropriate) related classroom instruction hours. (Yusza/Bish)

(14) **Riiska, Eric M.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to deny this application. The applicant was enrolled as an apprentice with the Connecticut Department of Labor and completed the on-the-job training hours component but never finished the related classroom instruction hours component (short 4 courses, approximately 150 hrs.) at which point his apprenticeship was terminated by the Department of Labor. In addition, the Board instructed the Department to refer the applicants employer (Winchester Industrial Controls, LLC) to the Trade Practices Division for possible violations of law concerning the applicant's employment with his company while he has an expired apprenticeship card. (Soter/Bish)

(15) **Saadat, Shahriar** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant changed the license examination type he is applying for from a C-5 to a C-6 at today's meeting per the Board's recommendation. The Board voted unanimously to deny the application based upon a lack of the required on-the-job training hours. The Board noted the related classroom instruction hours component of his application has been satisfied. (Soter/Yusza)

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

(17) **Smith, Tmothy J.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to deny this application based upon having no registered on-the-job training hours. (Soter/Munsill) Under a separate motion, the Board voted unanimously to have the Department send the applicant's employer a letter requesting that he appear before them to discuss the applicant's employment with them. (Soter/Yusza)

(18) **Streib, Eric S.** – PV-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant holds an active E-2 license in addition to his application for the PV-1 license examination. After discussion with the Board, the Board waived the applicant's remaining time left of the two year waiting period and approved applicant to sit for the E-1 license examination. It was also decided by the applicant to leave the PV-1 examination application in pending status.

(19) **Vacchio, Alfonso** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant changed his examination application type from an E-1 to an E-2 at today's meeting per the Board's suggestion. The Board voted unanimously to deny the application based upon a lack of related classroom instruction. They also requires applicant to document all his on-the-job training hours. (Soter/Bish)

(20) **Villaflores, Ruel T.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Villaflores was not present, as requested, at today’s meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(21) **Wahrsager, Aaron L.** – L-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant changed his license examination type from an L-5 to an L-6 at today’s meeting per the suggestion of the Board. The Board voted unanimously to table this application based upon a lack of documented related classroom instruction. (Halloran/Munsill)

(22) **Wantuck, Steven A.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Wantuck was not present, as requested, at today’s meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(23) **Zeidman, Brian L.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Zeidman was not present, as requested, at today’s meeting. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

The following applications were originally on the Board’s May 9, 2014 Meeting Agenda and not on the original Agenda for today’s meeting. Both applicants were sent directives to come before the Board on June 13, 2014 and did not show. The applicants appeared in person at today’s meeting and their applications were added to today’s meeting agenda by a unanimous vote.

(24) **Roy, James A.** – C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant changed his license examination type from an C-5 to an E-2 at today’s meeting per their suggestion. The Board voted unanimously to approve his application for the E-2 license examination. (Halloran/Soter)

(25) **Tierney, Richard J.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant changed his license examination type from an E-1 to an E-2 at today’s meeting per the suggestion of the Board. The Board voted unanimously to approve his application for the E-2 license examination. (Soter/Munsill)

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), 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)

With Apprenticeship Completion Letters:

- (1) **Blackwell, III, Russell** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (2) **Cabrera, Rico P.** - L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (3) **Carter, Jr., Stephen R.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (4) **Collins, Brett.** - C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (5) **Curtis, Kyle J.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (6) **Dabrowski, Eric R.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (7) **D'Amico, Michael J.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (8) **Dinis, Michael** - T-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (9) **Gamble, Thomas E.** - T-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (10) **Getman, Christopher L.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (11) **Guard, Kenneth** - C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (12) **Hopkins, Jeffrey F.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (13) **Kus, Amanda B.** - C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

- (14) **Lamarre, Kyle J.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (15) **Liuzzi, Vincenzo D.** - L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (16) **Lund, Nicholas S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (17) **Mamudi, Besnik** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (18) **Markel, Brian A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (19) **Merlo, Gregory P.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (20) **Nagy, Jeffrey M.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (21) **Papa, Jr., Robert W.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (22) **Paulette, Heidi R.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (23) **Redente, Jr., Joseph A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter. It is noted the Board also approved additional test time for this applicant per his written request in accordance with Department's eligibility guidelines
- (24) **Rodriguez, Angel L.** - T-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (25) **Skowronek, David**- C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (26) **Skubel, Jr., Michael E.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (27) **Wynne, Kristofer R.**- 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 June 13, 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 Journeyman license types. (Soter/Bish)

- (1) **Boci, Eduart** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (2) **Grant, Marty J.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (3) **Jackson, Anthony A.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (4) **Kuhn, Raymond S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (5) **Laino, Thomas** - C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (6) **Pare, Raymond R.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (7) **Sical, William** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (8) **Streib, Eric S.** - E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant holds an active E-2 license in addition to his application for the PV-1 license examination. After discussion with the Board, the Board waived the applicant's remaining time left of the two year waiting period and approved applicant to sit for the E-1 license examination. It was also decided by the applicant to leave the PV-1 examination application in pending status.

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

- (1) **Douglas, Michael T.** - T-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. At the March 14, 2014 regular meeting, applicant changed application type from a C-6 to a T-2 at the recommendation of the Board. The Board required notarized statements from his past and present employers as to dates and

duties of employment. In addition, they also required a detailed description of his related classroom instruction courses and comparison of the same, by a qualified educator/provider, to the course curriculum required for his license type by the Connecticut Department of Labor.

The applicant presented the Board with an updated application which the Board voted, unanimously, to approve. (Halloran/Bish)

(2) **Mengel, Joshua C.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board denied this application at their Meeting held May 9, 2014 for lack of the required amount of related classroom instruction hours.

The applicant presented the Board with an updated application which the Board voted, unanimously, to approve. (Bish/Soter)

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 reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(B) Substitute Senate Bill No. 235 - Public Act No. 14-199 - An Act Concerning Revisions to the Transportation Statutes and associated Statutory Excerpts; for the Board's information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(C) Connecticut Exam Development Schedule For August 2014; for the Board's information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

20. Old Business:

1. Mr. Bish reminded the Department of the Board's previous motion at made at their June 13, 2014 Meeting regarding closed Complaint Case Number 2013-587 of which a copy of was requested by him. The Board voted unanimously to recommend to the Department that they personally pursue charges against the respondent in association with any other appropriate State Agency such as the State's Attorney's Office. The Board is awaiting their response to this action.

21. New Business:

1. The Board thanked Mr. Halloran for his duties today as Acting Chairman in substitution for Board Chairman Mr. Lawrence Vallieres who was not able to attend today's meeting.

2. Ms. Gavin-Kuhn, on behalf of the Board, extended their best wishes to Mr. Vallieres on the wedding of his son today.

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 10:27 AM. The next Regular Meeting of the Electrical Work Examining Board is scheduled for Friday, August 8, 2014 at 8:30 AM; State Office Building; Room 126; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut. (Vallieres/Gavin-Kuhn)

Respectfully Submitted,

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