

ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

-MINUTES-

DECEMBER 12, 2014

The Regular Meeting of December 12, 2014 was called to order by Chairman Larry Vallieres at 8:29 AM in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: Laurence A. Vallieres, Contractor, Chairman
Ronald Bish, Contractor
Frank Halloran, Journeyman
Bruce A. Silva, Unlimited Journeyman
Anthony Soter, Journeyman
John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician

Members Absent: Faith Gavin-Kuhn, Public Member
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

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Others Present: R. Woytowich
Ben Kashi, Kashi Electrical Contractors

Jared Dumas, Power Comm. Sys.
Clint Hattaway, Hays Electrical
Keri Lamontagne, Connecticut Department of Labor
Jody Vegnone
Kenneth Dejordy, Elm Electrical
Samantha Genreux
Jessica Kuropat
Paul Costello, JATC, Local 90

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 8:32 AM.

2. Review Minutes of Previous Meetings:

A. Review minutes of meetings of the November 14, 2014.

After a thorough review by all, the Board voted to approve the *November 14, 2014* minutes as submitted. (Halloran/Bish) It is note that Mr. Silva 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.

The Trade Practices Division gave the Board two reports covering open complaints and closed complaints. All reports covered the time period between January 1, 2010 through December 5, 2014. Mr. Vallieres asked that the Trade Practices Division provide clarification regarding Case Number 2014-189. The resolution states, in part, that the respondent “*pulled permit before commencing work...*” The Board reviewed these reports and thanked the Department for their efforts.

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) **Adams, Michael P.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present as previously requested by the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(2) **Dejordy, Kenneth J.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to approve the applicant for the E-2 license examination. (Halloran/Soter)

(3) **Dumas, Jared M.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board tabled his application pending proof of completion of the applicant's related classroom instruction; approximately 120 hours. In addition the Board requires a hard copy of the applicant's curriculum from the Community College of Rhode Island and a current OSHA 10 or 30 Card. (Halloran/Soter)

(4) **Gagnon, Nathan P.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present as previously requested by the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(5) **Hattaway, Clint E.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant originally applied with an E-1 application and changed the application type at the meeting to an E-2 type after an explanation by the Board of their policies. The Board denied this application based upon no evidence/ documentation of related classroom instruction. (Soter/Bish)

(6) **Kashi, Benjamin B.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant originally applied with an E-1 application and changed his application at the meeting to an E-2 type after an explanation by the Board of their policies. The Board voted unanimously to approve the applicant for the E-2 license examination. (Soter/Halloran)

(7) **Mullis, Randy L.** – L-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present as previously requested by the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(8) **Pacheco, Gilliard A.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present as previously requested by the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(9) **Pereira, Manuel J.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present as previously requested by the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

(10) **Perry, Joshua J.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present as previously requested by the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

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 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/Yusza)

(1) **Barnett, Jacob G.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(2) **Blauvelt, Shawn M.** – T-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(3) **Boucher, David A.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

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

(5) **Cecilio, Brain A.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(6) **Dougherty, Joseph M.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

- (7) **Grindrod, Kevin C.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (8) **Herbert, Randy N.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (9) **Kokofsky, Ryan N.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (10) **Lewis, Jonathan C.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (11) **Losh, Ryan P.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (12) **Moore, Carl B.** - T-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (13) **Morley, Michael P.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (14) **Morrill, Nathan E.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (15) **Morneault, John P.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (16) **Murray, James E.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (17) **Oppelt, Thomas P.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (18) **Peppers, Herbert D.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (19) **Rizza, Nicholas A.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (20) **Sereno, Michael R.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(21) **Silva, Nicholas C.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

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

(23) **Taylor, Lionel S.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(24) **Tedesco, II, Joseph** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(25) **Thursland, William A.**- E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(26) **Wehner, Shane T.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

(27) **Wright, Andre M.** - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter. The Board voted unanimously to table this application for the E-2 License Examination and require that applicant appear before them at their next Regular Meeting scheduled for January 9, 2015. The Board requires that applicant bring an original Gold Seal Apprenticeship Completion Letter, as instructed on the application, to this meeting. Ms. Keri Lamontagne with the Department of Labor explained that the applicant originally got a completion letter from them in May of 2013 at which time he applied and his application has since expired. The applicant is now reapplying and has probably already sent in his original gold seal letter with his first application and kept a copy for himself which is what he has sent in to the Board with his second application. The Board asked the question of what this applicant has been doing since he completed his apprenticeship. As such, the Board voted unanimously to require the applicant appear before them at the next meeting scheduled for January 9, 2015. (Halloran/Soter)

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 January 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 Journey person license types. (Halloran/Soter)

- (1) **Aarsen, Ernest B.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (2) **Bhutia, Karma Y.** – PV-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (3) **Demarse, Greg J.** – PV-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (4) **Doyle, David M.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (5) **Mellen, Brian A.** – L-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to approve the applicant for the E-2 license examination. (Yusza/Halloran)
- (6) **Middleton, Benjamin T.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (7) **Pattie, Nathan D.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (8) **Sirois, Ryan R.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (9) **Urra, Marcos A.** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (10) **Vegnone, Jody P.** – E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to approve the applicant for the E-2 license examination. (Halloran/Bish)
- (11) **Wakie, Joseph** – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

6. 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) Electrical E-2 Work Experience Schedule; for the Board's information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(C) Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection – State of Connecticut Licensing Process; for the Board’s information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(D) Department of Consumer Protection Regulation and Protection Documentation; for the Board’s information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

(E) Probation documentation In the Matter of Kostas Proskinitopoulos Docket No. 2014-622; for the Board’s review and information. Mr. Vallieres requested on behalf of the Board requested that Mr. Proskinitopoulos provide them with additional documentation in addition to that stipulated in the Assurance of Voluntary Compliance he signed with the Department. This information consists of complete description(s) of the work being done at the location(s) specified in his documentation and copies of the Building Permits issued for these jobs.

(F) Department of Consumer Protection’s 2015 Schedule for Board, Commission, and Council Meetings; for the Board’s information. The Board reviewed this information and thanked the Department for the same.

7. 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.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 AM. (Vallieres/Soter) The next Regular Meeting of the Electrical Work Examining Board is scheduled for Friday, January 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