

## MINUTES

### ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

OCTOBER 25, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Larry Vallieres, Chairperson on October 25, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. at 450 Columbus Boulevard, North Tower, Hartford, CT, 06103 in Hearing Room J.

**Members Present:** Laurence A. Vallieres, Unlimited Contractor, Chairman  
Peter L. Jennings, Unlimited Contractor  
Ronald Bish, Unlimited Contractor  
Anthony Soter, Unlimited Journeyman  
Robert Woytowich, Unlimited Journeyman  
John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician

**Members Absent:** None

**Member Vacancies:** Two (2) Unlimited Journeyman  
Four (4) Public Members

**DCP Board Staff:** Richard M. Hurlburt, Director, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division  
Karen Layman, License and Applications Analyst

**Others Present:** Pamela Brown, Director, Investigations Division  
Paul Costello, IBEW  
Mike Papa, Merle's Record Rack

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## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 9, 2019 meeting as submitted. (Bish, Soter)

## **COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:**

None

## **DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:**

(1) The Board reviewed a complaint report dated 7-01-19 to 8-31-19.

Pamela Brown provided information regarding Case No. 2019-881. The Board noted that it would be helpful when the Board is reviewing complaints reports if a column was added to reflect the expiration date of the license.

Discussion took place regarding Case No. 2016-111. Pamela informed the Board that, although the case with DCP is closed, the Respondent has an ongoing case with the Judicial Branch.

(2) DCP Investigator Position

Pamela Brown informed the Board that the interviews have taken place and the new investigator should be starting at DCP by December.

(3) August 9, 2019 meeting follow up – Michael Perez

Pamela Brown verified that action has been taken in the matter of Michael Perez's E-2 application, as requested by the Board at the August 9, 2019 meeting.

## **APPEARANCE BY MIKE PAPA, OWNER, MERLE'S RECORD RACK**

Mike Papa appeared before the Board to discuss the proper license required for turn table repair. DCP's stance has been that Mike is required to hold an R-1 or V-1 license for the work he performs, and that the store requires a V-9 license.

Mike Papa informed the Board that he has obtained the required V-9 service dealer, non-technician license, as the directed by the Department. Discussion took place regarding what the proper technician license would be for the work he performs on turn tables and other items according to DCP Regulations. After discussion, the Board determined that he would need a V-2 certified electronic technician license to be in compliance with the law. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mike to sit for the V-2 examination. (Soter, Yusza)

Pamela Brown provided the Board with background information regarding open complaints against Mike Papa and related AVC's. The Board requested that they review the AVC's and voted as follows:

After reviewing the first AVC, the Board voted unanimously to have it dismissed. (Bish, Soter)

After reviewing the second AVC, the Board voted unanimously to have the civil penalties waived. (Soter, Bish)

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### (1) Continuing education audit:

DCP Legal Division will conduct continuing education audit formal hearings on November 8, 2019. All Board Members are required to attend. Larry Vallieres will contact Paulette Annon to inquire about the Board's options for those who are still not in compliance with the audit, for example, the possibility of fines and/or suspension of license.

#### (2) Previously approved applications for the Board's review

The Board reviewed the applications provided and were informed that, going forward, applications will be reviewed at the Occupational Boards Application Review Committee meetings, at which Todd Berch, DOL, DCP staff, and Board members will be in attendance. The first meeting will take place on October 30, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. The Board also discussed the possibility of reviewing applications at the quarterly meetings.

#### (3) Occupational Boards Education Committee

The next meeting of this committee will take place on October 30, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### (1) Review of evaluation forms for electrical continuing education courses taken by licensees

Board so noted.

#### (2) Complaint regarding continuing education provider, Tunxis Community College

Board so noted. DCP staff has resolved this matter.

#### (3) DCP Suspended licensure report

Board so noted.

#### (4) 2020 Schedule for Board, Commission, and Council meetings

\*Note: Meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. beginning in 2020

Board so noted.

(5) Discussion regarding potential changes to regulations and statutes

Larry Vallieres would like the Board to discuss potential changes to the regulations and statutes in the following areas:

- Annual renewal applications due by August 1 versus September 30
- Exemption of continuing education requirements for certain limited license types
- Exemption of continuing education requirements for licensees residing out of state
- Requirement for continuing education CE providers to hold a minimum of four classes per year
- Combining limited license types

**REVIEW OF CONTINUING EDUCATION PROVIDER APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2020 CYCLE**

Continuing education provider applications will be reviewed on October 30, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:**

None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Layman,  
License and Applications Analyst

2020 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- February 7
- May 8
- August 7
- November 13

Note: Meeting time has been changed to 9:00 a.m. beginning in 2020. All meetings will take place at 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT.