

## MINUTES

### HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

AUGUST 21, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Robert Barrieau, Acting Chairperson at 10:14 a.m. on August 21, 2014 in Room 117 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

**Members Present:**

Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson	Unlimited Contractor
David G. Foster	Unlimited/General Contractor
Philip H. Benoit	Sheet Metal Journeyman
Cameron G. Champlin, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyman

**Members Absent:**

Thomas F. Casey, Jr.	Unlimited Contractor
John T. Higgins, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyman
Michael Rosario	Unlimited Journeyman

**Board Vacancies:**

Four Public Members, Sheet Metal Contractor

**Dept. of Consumer Protection Staff Present:**

Richard M. Hurlburt, Director  
Karen Layman, Secretary

**Dept. of Labor Apprenticeship Rep. Present:**

Paul Femia

<b>Public Present:</b>	Thomas Thurlow	Donald Aulenti	Robert J. March
	Robert L. March	David Owen, Jr.	Jamie Boss, Jr.
	Greg Barnum	Tom Casey, Sr.	

**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) 706-1255.

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## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2014 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting as written. Board Member Cameron Champlin abstained from voting.

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

None

## **APPEARING FOR GUIDANCE:**

### **Donald Aulenti, Stamford, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor**

Mr. Aulenti appeared seeking guidance regarding qualifications for the (S-1) Unlimited Contractor license type. He currently holds an (S-3) and a (P-1) license. The Board determined that Mr. Aulenti had been previously approved for the (S-2) examination and advised him to apply and take the (S-2) examination.

### **Eric Cosgrove, Stratford, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor**

Did not appear; no action taken

### **Robert J. March, Coventry, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Conditionally approved**

Robert J. March appeared with his father, Robert L. March, to seek a waiver of the two-year waiting period for the (S-1) license due to a hardship. Mr. March has held an (S-2) license since April 2014 and a (B-2) license since 2005. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. March for the (S-1) examination contingent upon submission of an application acceptable to DCP standards and submission of a letter to DCP stating that the company's (S-1) holder will be leaving the company and therefore creating a hardship.

### **David Miller**

Did not appear; no action taken

## **APPEARING IN PERSON TO APPEAL DENIAL:**

### **David Owen, Jr., Bridgeport, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Owen's (S-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion for the (S-2) license type.

### **Thomas Thurlow, Dayville, CT – (D-1) Limited Contractor – Change in category/Approved for D-2**

After discussion with the Board, Mr. Thurlow chose to amend the category of license sought from a (D-1) to a (D-2). The Board voted to approve Mr. Thurlow's (D-2) application. The Board also voted unanimously to waive the two-year waiting period so that Mr. Thurlow may apply for the (D-1) examination immediately after passage of the (D-2) examination without further Board approval.

**Samuel Emert, North Stonington, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor**

Did not appear; no action taken.

**APPEALS:**

**Joseph Demers, Newtown, CT – (S-7) Limited Contractor – Denied**

The Board denied Mr. Demers' (S-7) application at the June 19, 2014 meeting. Mr. Demers has submitted a letter stating that he would be willing to change the license type applied for to an (S-8), and requests that the application and related documentation be reviewed again. The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Demers' (S-7) application due to lack of documentation and training. The Board noted that he has been approved for the (S-10) examination, contingent upon receipt of CFC certification, in 2012 and advised that he pursue that direction.

**NEW APPLICATIONS:**

**Branden Altman, Port Jarvis, NY – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – Approved**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Altman's (SM-2) application.

**Nicholas Dahlberg, Brewster, NY – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Conditionally approved**

The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve Mr. Dahlberg's application contingent upon review by DCP to determine if the qualifications submitted are comparable to the scope of work of the Connecticut S-2 license type for on-the-job-training and related instruction.

**Krzysztof Fekieta, West Haven, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Fekieta's (S-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion for the (S-2) license type.

**Hersh Fried, Monsey, NY – (D-1) Limited Contractor - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Fried's (D-1) application due to lack of documentation to determine equivalent experience and training.

**Edward Lent, New Milford, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman - Approved**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Lent's (D-2) application.

**Frank Mitarotonda, Mount Vernon, NY – (SM-3) Limited Sheet Metal Contractor - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Mitarotonda's (SM-3) application due to lack of apprenticeship, on-the-job training, and related instruction.

**Christopher Olmstead, Darien, CT – (D-1) Limited Contractor – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Olmstead's (D-1) application due to lack of a (D-2) license for the required two-year period, lack of apprenticeship, and lack of proof of related instruction.

**Michael Rines, Jr., Torrington, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Conditionally approved**

The Board voted unanimously to allow DCP to approve Mr. Rines' (D-2) application contingent upon receipt of apprenticeship completion letter.

**Robert Rocuzzo, Bronx, NY – (D-2) Limited Journeyman - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Rocuzzo's (D-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion and on-the-job training.

**Jayson Sherwood, Danbury, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Sherwood's (S-1) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion and related instruction.

**APPLICATIONS ADDED BY BOARD VOTE:**

**Jamie Boss, Jr., Wallingford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Conditional approval**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Boss for the (S-2) examination contingent upon submission of an application acceptable to DCP standards and submission of letters from employers for proof of on-the-job training and proof of related instruction.

**Greg Barnum, Milford, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Conditional approval**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Barnum for the (D-2) examination contingent upon submission of an application acceptable to DCP standards. Paul Femia, Dept. of Labor, verified that he has completed the apprenticeship program.

**Peter Wiese, Jr., Stormville, NY – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Conditional approval**

The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve Mr. Wiese's (S-2) application contingent upon review by DCP to determine if the qualifications submitted are comparable to the scope of work of the Connecticut S-2 license type for on-the-job-training and related instruction

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Public Act 14-210 - An Act Concerning the Enforcement of Certain Occupational Licensing Statutes**

Board Member Cameron Champlin briefly discussed the recent bill passed regarding the enforcement of occupational licensing.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Public Officials and State Employees Guide to the Code of Ethics**

The Board so noted.

**2. An Act Concerning Home Performance Technicians – Draft Legislation**

The Board discussed new requirements for pressure testing of new duct systems which will be taking effect soon. It was noted that there was no license or certificate required at this time for this testing. Chairperson Robert Barrieau drafted a document outlining a preliminary course designed

for individuals to increase their knowledge and understanding of effective duct leak testing for review by the Board. Robert Barrieau stated that this proposed course could be a 4 or 8 hour certification course. The Board reviewed this document and requested that this topic be on the October meeting agenda for further discussion.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**DCP TRADE PRACTICES DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:**

1. Trade Practice Division is to provide a current complaint status report.

**Board noted that this report was not provided.**

2. Request from Trade Practices Division

At the July 17 meeting, Chairperson Bob Barrieau requested that the DCP Trade Practices Division provide a report of any and all complaints filed from January 1, 2014 to the present for the Board's review at today's meeting.

**Board noted that this report was not provided.**

Chairperson Robert Barrieau requested that a copy of these minutes, indicating that the requested reports were not received from the Trade Practices Division, be sent to the Commissioner. Mr. Barrieau also requests that the Commissioner instruct Trade Practices to assist the Board in obtaining this information.

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

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:47.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,  
Board Secretary

**2014 Meeting Schedule:**

- **September 18, 2014**
- **October 16, 2014**
- **November 20, 2014**
- **December 18, 2014**

**Meetings will be held in Room 117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut at 10:00 a.m.**