

**Massachusetts State Board of Electricians  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
August 24, 2015**

Held at 1000 Washington Street Room 1D, Boston, MA  
Boston, MA 02118

Board of State Examiners of Electricians convened its regular board meeting. Items listed in order of consideration.

1) The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 10:00 A.M.

The following Board members were present:

Peter Senopoulos, Fire Marshal Designee, Chair  
David Edmonds, Dept of Elementary and Secondary Education Designee  
Gerald Graham, Inspector of Wires Member  
Kathleen Guinee, Systems Contractor Member  
David Fenton, Journeyman Electrician Member  
Paul Cormier, MAVA Member  
Steven LeVangie, Electrical Contractor Member  
James Meehan, International Municipal Signalman Association Member  
Thomas Leahy, Systems Technician Member

The following Board members were absent:

Ryan Toland, Master Electrician Member  
Lisa Podgurski, Public Member

The following members of the DPL Staff were present:

Robert Ferguson, Exec. Director  
Tamara Smith, Prog. Coordinator  
James Murphy, Assoc. Executive Director  
Charles Kilb, Board Counsel  
Richard Paris, Investigator  
Kevin Scanlon, General Counsel

The following members of the public wished their presence to be acknowledged:

Rick D'Amato, IAEI  
Robert Venuti, IAEI

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2) The Board considered the minutes from the meeting of July 27, 2015.

A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Mr. Graham and it was so unanimously

Voted: To approve the minutes as presented

3) Sanction was given by the signatures of the Board Members present to the issuance of licenses by Reciprocity, as a result of Board Action on July 27, 2015 in accordance with the following schedule:

Master

Journeyman

Gerald F. Bergeron  
Rene J. Demers  
Kyle J. Fitzgerald  
Joseph J. Gentile  
Dane R. Greenwood  
Andrew T. Hale  
Kenneth A. Marquis  
Novel A. Marte  
Ryan Mulrooney  
Gregory S. Nicotra  
Louis P. Petrucci  
Tony J. Reeves Jr.  
Anthony L. Sciappi  
Robert A. Thomas  
Joseph J. Tully III

A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Mr. Graham and it was so unanimously  
Voted: To ratify the schedule as presented

- 4) The chair announced that the next scheduled Board meeting will be on September 28, 2015.
- 5) Chief of Investigations Chris Carroll appeared to address the Board. He introduced himself for the benefit of newer members and stated that he would be regularly attending the Board meetings affording members to voice any concerns they might have regarding the investigative process and also collaborating with the Board efforts of enforcement.

The Board went to item 12 of the agenda.

- 6) The Executive Director submitted recommendations for the issuance of the following licenses by reciprocity with New Hampshire

Ryan J. Carrier, Master  
Robert A. Couture, Master  
Forrest M. Kirby, Journeyman  
Daniel M. LeFort, Journeyman  
Sean K. MacLeay, Journeyman  
Jeffery M. Robbiati, Journeyman

A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Ms. Guinee and it was so unanimously  
Voted: To grant the listed reciprocal licenses.

- 7) The Board considered Corporate and individual license changes submitted to the Board office:

#### **Removals**

**Michael J. Batista**  
(Batista Electric Inc.)

**James R. Beckwith**  
(JLL Electric LLC)

**Thomas S. Davis**  
(Universal Automation &  
Mechanical Services Inc.)

**Ashod Z. Deraprahamian**  
Johnson Controls Inc.

**Additions**

**Abriell Technologies Inc.**  
(Michael J. Batista)

**All Energy Solar**  
(John A. Jalbert)

**Cacciola Electric Corp**  
(Paul M. Cacciola)

**DWS Electric Inc**  
(David W. Silva)

**Endless Mountains Solar Services  
LLC**  
(William J. Potenti)

**Henley Electric LLC**  
(Daniel M. Stafford)

**JB Pride Inc**  
(James R. Beckwith)

**Johnson Controls Inc**  
(Mark D. Ricci)

**MacGregor Electric LLC**  
(Timothy E. MacGregor)

**Stewart Electrical Contracting Inc**  
(Frank R. Stewart)

A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Ms. Guinee and it was so unanimously  
Voted: To approve the applications as presented

8) Reports

- July Exam License issuances

Journeyman	38
Master	14
Systems Technician	7
Systems Contractor	0

- Legislative update – The Executive Director briefly mentioned HB 1251, SB 135 and SB 198 and invited members of the public to contact him in collaboration of making recommendations to these bills.

9) The Executive Director discussed the continuing education requirement as it pertains specifically in CMR for Inspectors of wires. He stated that he would like to see a proposal of content as required in the CMR to be sponsored by the Inspector's associations. Robert Venuti, on behalf of the IAELI, indicated he would be interested in working with the Board in facilitating this program, but wanted to make sure

there was adequate time and information. The Board thereafter noted that, to ensure the program was properly enforced, municipal cooperation and a full list of electrical inspectors would be necessary.

A motion was made by Mr. Graham and seconded by Ms. Guinee and it was so unanimously  
Voted: To notify the town clerks of all the municipalities of the requirement requesting information on the IOWs for the city/town.

A motion was made by Mr. Cormier and seconded by Mr. Leahy and it was so unanimously  
Voted: To form a collaboration subcommittee to discuss the training content to be developed for implementation in the next license renewal cycle.

10) Board Counsel distributed a copy of the New Hampshire reciprocity agreement and suggested that, in light of the fact that the agreement has been in effect for a long time, if the Board is concerned about the agreement, it should maintain an open dialogue with the state of New Hampshire and obtain a full accounting of any issues prior to making a decision.

A motion was made by Mr. Cormier and seconded by Mr. Edmonds and it was so unanimously  
Voted: To contact the NH Board requesting its current standards on licensure for discussion at the next Board meeting.

#### 11) Subcommittees

a) The CMR Subcommittee reported on its meeting of August 18, 2015.

Chair Ms. Guinee reported that the subcommittee continued suggested amendments, which ultimately will be presented to the full Board, however, asked that the subcommittee meet jointly with the Education subcommittee to address those sections concerning education requirements.

A motion was made by Ms. Guinee and seconded by Mr. Graham and it was so unanimously

Voted: To schedule the joint meeting for September 18, 2015.

b) Mr. Edmonds stated that the education subcommittee had to cancel its most recently scheduled meeting.

The Board returned to item 5 of the agenda.

12) The Board considered matters not reasonably anticipated by the chair.

- Mr. Edmonds mentioned that last meeting the Board wanted to look at exam statistics and discuss the trade industry as it may be affected. The Board also discussed the matter of apprentice registration with several members voicing its benefits. The Board members inquired about the procedure by a sister board, Plumbing, whose apprentice registration model could provide insight.

A motion was made by Mr. Cormier and seconded by Mr. Edmonds and it was so unanimously

Voted: For the Board to look at the Plumbing Board model.

A motion was made by Ms. Guinee and seconded by Mr. Cormier and it was so unanimously

Voted: For staff to provide any examination statistics for review.

The Board went to item 14 (b)

#### 13) Executive Session

At 12:57 P.M., the Chair announced that the next agenda item would require the Board to close the open session and enter executive session per M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 21 to discuss an individual's character, rather than competence, and, because of a major update just discovered, to discuss pending litigation where an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of

the Board. The Chair estimated that the Board would be in Executive Session for approximately one hour.

A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Mr. Leahy and this motion was approved by roll call vote to enter into Executive Session (Separate Minutes maintained)

Vote: In favor: Gerald Graham, Kathleen Guinee, Steven LeVangie, Paul Cormier,  
David Fenton, David Edmonds, Peter Senopoulos, James Meehan, Thomas Leahy

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Recused: None

1:30 P.M. The Board exited Executive Session and recessed for lunch

Mr. Meehan departed

2:05 P.M. the Board reconvened in Executive Session

3:10 P.M. Upon exiting Executive Session the Board continued item 14

14) Investigative conference (closed session)

At 3:10 P.M. A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Ms. Guinee and it was so unanimously

Voted: To enter Investigative Conference.

After exiting Investigative Conference, the following was reported:

a) Complaints reviewed by the Board:

- (i) FA-16-001 - forward for prosecution
- (ii) EL-16-008 - forward for prosecution
- (iii) EL-15-148 - forward for prosecution
- (iv) EL-16-010 - forward for prosecution
- (v) EL-16-007 - forward for prosecution
- (vi) EL-16-004 - forward for prosecution
- (vii) EL-15-146 - forward for prosecution
- (viii) EL-16-006 - forward for prosecution
- (ix) EL-16-002 - forward for prosecution

The Board continued to item 15

12:10 P.M. A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Mr. Cormier and it was so unanimously

Voted: To enter Investigative Conference.

b) Prosecutors addressed the Board with permission granted from opposing counsel on the following matters (Closed Session):

Hentoff FA-15-015 – Settlement offer made  
EL-15-041 – Settlement offer made  
Henderson EL-14-103 – Settlement offer made  
EL-15-062 – Settlement offer made  
FA-15-011 – tabled  
Mong EL-15-092 – Settlement offer made

The Board went to item 13 of the agenda

15) Quasi-Judicial Session

A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Ms. Guinee and it was so unanimously

Voted: To enter Quasi-judicial session to review final decisions and orders by default

After exiting Quasi-Judicial Session, the following was reported:

a) EL-15-097

A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Ms. Guinee and it was so unanimously

Voted: To issue a final decision and order.

At 3:40 P.M. A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Ms. Guinee and it was so unanimously

Voted: To exit Quasi-judicial session.

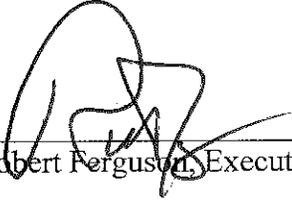
16) Chairman (Fire Marshal's Designee) requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Fenton and seconded by Ms. Guinee and it was so unanimously

Voted: To adjourn the meeting at 3:41 P.M.

A true copy.

ATTEST:

  
Robert Ferguson, Executive Director

10/6/15  
Date

List of Documents used at the meeting

1. Meeting agenda
2. Draft minutes from July 27, 2015 meeting.
3. Schedule of licenses issued by reciprocity on July 27, 2015.