

Massachusetts State Board of Electricians
Regular Meeting Minutes
December 14, 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 vice Chair Ms. Guinee at 10:00 A.M.

The following Board members were present:

Paul Cormier, MAVA Member
David Edmonds, Dept of Elementary and Secondary Education Designee
David Fenton, Journeyman Electrician Member
Gerald Graham, Inspector of Wires Member
Kathleen Guinee, Systems Contractor Member
Thomas Leahy, Systems Technician Member
Steven LeVangie, Electrical Contractor Member
James Meehan, International Municipal Signallman Association Member
Lisa Podgurski, Public Member
Ryan Toland, Master Electrician Member

The following Board members were absent:

Peter Senopoulos, Fire Marshal Designee, Chair

The following members of the DPL Staff were present:

Robert Ferguson, Exec. Director
Charles Kilb, Board Counsel
James Murphy, Assoc. Executive Director
Tamara Smith, Prog. Coordinator

2) The Board considered the minutes from the meeting of November 23, 2015.

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

Voted: To approve the minutes as presented

The Board went to item 4

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 November 23, 2015 in accordance with the following schedule:

Master

Journeyman
Mortimer J. Donahue,
Robert D. Horn
Timothy M. Psaradelis
Shawn M. Santuccio

Travis J. White
Cody J. Wilson

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

Voted: To ratify the schedule as presented

The Board continued to item 8

- 4) The chair announced that the next scheduled Board meeting will be on January 25, 2015.
- 5) The Board considered recommendations for the issuance of the following licenses by reciprocity with New Hampshire

Douglas E. Albertson, Journeyman
Danny Cropanese Jr., Master
Ryan W. Janosz, Journeyman
Wayne S. Sherrill, Journeyman
Wayne S. Sherrill, Master

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

Voted: To grant the listed reciprocal licenses.

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

Removals

Richard R. Regan
All Electric Works Inc

Paul A. Vohnoutka
New England Alarms LLC.

Additions

CBI Services Inc.
(Michael L. Medeiros)

**JA Patenaude Co LLC dba Alternative
Telecom and Security**
(James A. Patenaude)

Knox Electric Inc
(James A. Knox)

Madden Services Inc.
(Neil A. Madden)

Renewable Construction Services Inc.
(Paul A. Vohnoutka)

Safeguard Security and Surveillance Inc.
(Clifford L. Holcomb)

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

Voted: To approve the applications as presented

- 7) Reports

- November Exam License issuances

Journeyman

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Master	5
Systems Technician	6
Systems Contractor	0

- Legislative update – Members of the Public mentioned HB 242

The Board returned to item 3

8) At 10:56 AM the Office of Investigations Chief Investigator Chris Carroll addressed the Board and touched on several points of Board interest including hiring initiatives, the triage process and unlicensed practice. He urged the Board to continue efforts to educate licensees and apprentices on the Board's CORI process and stated that investigators being able to visit worksites again would bring great benefit to enforcement once again. The Board thanked him for taking the time to discuss these matters.

9) Board of Appeals

10:13 AM A motion was made by Mr. Cormier and seconded by Mr. Edmonds and it was by a majority of the members present

Voted: To open the Board of Appeals

a) BEA-15-289

The following individuals were sworn in:

John Barros, Appellant

Charles Palmieri, Inspector of Wires

10:50 AM A motion was made by Ms. Podgurski and seconded by Mr. Toland and it was so unanimously

Voted: To enter deliberations for 10 mins

On exiting deliberations vice chair Guinee announced the Board's decision to uphold the Wiring Inspector determination.

10) The Board continued discussion on the subject of apprentice registration. ~~Although the Board requested this item to remain on the agenda~~ The Executive Director recalled the Board's November vote was to best address this issue as a legislative action item. The Board requested that this issue be re-visited in the Spring.

11) Board Counsel update

a) CORI guideline draft

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

Voted: To approve the draft and to post publicly via the Board's website.

b) 237 CMR draft amendments

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

Voted: To remove 25 hrs of community service from section 17.01

A motion was made by Mr. Edmonds and seconded by Mr. Fenton to accept the draft CMR with the removal noted above and it was so by a majority

Voted: To approve

Opposed: Steven LeVangie

12:27 PM David Edmonds left the meeting

12) Matters not reasonably anticipated by the chair - None

13) Executive Session

At 12:30 PM. the Vice 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 to discuss pending litigation where an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the Board. The Vice Chair estimated that the Board would be in Executive Session for approximately one hour.

A motion was made by Ms. Podgurski and seconded by Mr. Toland and this motion was approved by roll call vote: To enter into Executive Session (Separate Minutes maintained)

In favor: Gerald Graham, Steven LeVangie, Paul Cormier, Lisa Podgurski, David Fenton, Thomas Leahy, Kathleen Guinee, David Edmonds, James Meehan, Ryan Toland

Opposed: None

Abstained: None

Recused: None

a) Exam applicant character reviews

(i) F.R.C.

(ii) T.W.J.

1:08 PM the Board exited Executive Session

14) Investigative conference (closed session)

a) Prosecutors addressed the Board with permission granted from opposing counsel on the following matters:

Henderson EL-15-094 – unanimous vote to accept offer

Hentoff EL-16-004 - unanimous vote to accept offer

15) Quasi-Judicial session

a) EL-15-061

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

Voted: To issue a final decision and order.

b) EL-15-039

A motion was made by Ms. Podgurski and seconded by Mr. LeVangie and it was so unanimously

Voted: To issue a final decision and order.

c) EL-14-071

A motion was made by Ms. Podgurski and seconded by Mr. Toland and it was so unanimously

Voted: To issue a final decision and order.

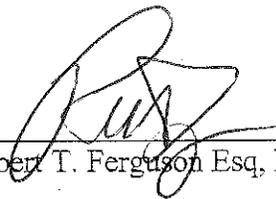
16) Vice Chair Guinee requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

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

Voted: To adjourn the meeting at 1:43 P.M.

A true copy.

ATTEST:


Robert T. Ferguson Esq, Executive Director

1/25/16
Date

List of Documents used at the meeting

1. Meeting agenda
2. Draft minutes from November 23, 2015 meeting.
3. Schedule of licenses issued by reciprocity on November 23, 2015.
4. Draft CMR amendments