

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF
OPERATORS OF DRINKING WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 2, 2016 OPEN PUBLIC MEETING**

SEPTEMBER 2, 2016 BOARD MINUTES

A regularly scheduled open public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Certification of Operators of Drinking Water Supply Facilities (the Board) was held on September 2, 2016 in Room 1D, 1000 Washington Street, Boston, Massachusetts.

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Paul Niman	Chairman	✓	
Mr. William Salomaa	Secretary	✓	
Mr. Michael Celona	Vice Chairman		✓
Ms. Christine Millhouse	Member	✓	
Mr. Blake Lukis	Member	✓	
Mr. Dave Coppes	Member	✓	
STAFF	POSITION		
Mr. James O'Connor	Board Counsel	✓	
Ms. Ann Deruosi	Administrative Assistant		✓
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Executive Director		✓

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 9:36 am by Chairman Niman.

Board Review and Acceptance of the July 15, 2016 Open Session Meeting Minutes.

Discussion:

Minutes of July 15, 2016 Open Session meeting were reviewed.

Action:

A motion was made by Mr. Lukis, seconded by Mr. Salomma, and unanimously approved by the Board to accept the minutes of the Open Session.

TCH APPLICATIONS

The following TCH Applications were reviewed and approved by the Chairman:

New England Water Works Association

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Course ID No.</u>	<u># of TCHs</u>
Water Treatment	DWT-2016-54	2.0 TCH
GIS/Asset Management	DWT-2016-55	2.0 TCH
Providence Water Treatment Plant Tour	DWT-2016-56	2.0 TCH
Distribution	DWT-2016-57	2.0 TCH
Groundwater /Water Resources	DWT-2016-58	2.0 TCH
Emerging Contaminants	DWT-2016-59	2.0 TCH
Management/Finance	DWT-2016-60	2.0 TCH

OSD Engineering Consultants

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Course ID No.</u>	<u># of TCHs</u>
Active Shooter Emergency Preparedness Tabletop Training Exercise	DWT-2016-61	4.0 TCH
Cybersecurity Breach Emergency Preparedness Tabletop Training Exercise	DWT-2016-62	4.0 TCH

Houston Industrial Training Institute

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Course ID No.</u>	<u># of TCHs</u>
Basic Centrifugal Pump Hydraulics	DWT-2016-63	4.0 TCH

TEC APPLICATIONS/PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES

Mountainview Campground:

Certificate #: 495

PWS ID#: 1225014

Grade VSS: Cornelius Murphy

DISCUSSION

In the review of application it was discussed whether the Board had the authority to require transcripts for post-secondary education, rather than simply accepting a copy of the degree conferred. There is a concern that some “science degrees” don’t actually contain enough appropriate science credits for certification. The Board added this to areas of concern in its regulations.

The Board also discussed its regulations and directed Board counsel to keep a checklist of items for the Board to discuss as future meetings and eventually to amend sections of its regulations that need clarification

APPLICATION REVIEW

A motion was made to accept the decisions on the reviewed applications by Mr. Coppes and seconded by Mr. Lukis: Unanimous

MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Niman noted that all the items on the meeting agenda had been addressed and suggested that the meeting be adjourned. Hearing no objections, a motion was made by Mr. Lukis and seconded by Mr. Coppes, and the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the September 2, 2016 meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Certification of Operators of Drinking Water Supply Facilities at 12:00pm.

List of Documents referred to in the open meeting:

Minutes of the July 15, 2016 meeting
Applications
Correspondence

Respectfully Submitted By;

Wayne E. Thomas

Wayne E. Thomas, Executive Director
Board of Drinking Water & Supply Facility Operators

Respectfully Authorized by;

Paul S. Niman

Paul Niman, Chairman
Board of Drinking Water & Supply Facility Operators