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Board of Engineering Appeals OPSI Tewksbury 365 East Street Tewksbury, MA 01876 August 18, 2023, at 9:00a.m.

Board Members Present:

Dan Kilburn, Chair David Vandal, Member Craig Kimball, Member Guests Present: Philip Piccirillo

Staff Present:

Jean McCarthy Michael Rose

License exam results appeal of Daniel Mueller-Appellant failed to appear and was denied by default.

License exam results appeal of Philip Piccirillo- Chairman Dan Kilburn introduced himself and members of the Board. Chairman Kilburn stated that he read Phillip Piccirillo's appeal. He asked Philip Piccirillo to further explain his appeal. Philip Piccirillo stated that he was unable to study the hand signals. He stated that they do not use hand signals anymore, since there is better technology for instance walkie talkies. The exam was 25 percent hand signals and he has been operating hoisting equipment for years and they don't use hand signals. He also stated he didn't think it was fair he needed to wait an additional 60 days to take the exam again. Also, he was not aware he could apply for a special accommodation, until he spoke with someone in the Boston Office. Chairman Kilburn stated that the hand signals are in the regulations had there been an accident and he was found not to be not using the hand signals, his license could be taken away. Chairman Kilburn stated he did not need to wait an additional 60 days to take the exam. It is 60 days from the first time he applied for the exam. Lastly, Chairman Kilburn stated that Mr. Piccirillo could apply for a reasonable accommodation and there is a separate application to be completed. He would need to obtain a letter from his doctor detailing the disability. Chairman Kilburn stated he didn't think Mr. Piccirillo needed to do that based on his previous score. He suggested that Mr. Piccirillo apply for the reasonable accommodation and exam at the same time. Chairman Kilburn stated that no decision would be announced during the hearing and concluded the hearing. After the public hearing concluded, the Board deliberated in quasi-judicial session and unanimously denied the appeal.

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