

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Professional Licensure

BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS

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Board of State Examiners of Electricians Meeting Minutes

VENUE: DPL 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA

Office: Conference Room 1D

Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 22, 2019

10:00

MEETING CALLED BY:	BOARD MEMBERS
TYPE OF MEETING:	REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
CHAIR/MEMBER:	K. Guinee, System Contractor, Chair
	, D. Cahill, E. Dorian, G. Condon III, J. Bagni, P. Vigneau,
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	P. Malagrifa, J. Sloane,
STAFF MEMBERS:	C. Kilb, A. Alfonso, R. Paris, T. Smith, M. Lewis,
ABSENT/Late	J. Colleary, T. Cunningham, D. Edmonds

Public Attendees:

Beth Bellew, MECA Rick D'Amato, IAEI - Paul Revere Chapter Bev Kennedy, Kennedy Seminars Paul Kennedy, Kennedy Seminars Julie Kelliher, GCI Eric Carlson Kristen Gowin, NECA Logan Price, Local 103 John Burkhardt, Local 103 Kevin O'Brien Paul Sarmento, Self Larry Lemeaux, ED Plumbing Board Diane Symonds, Commissioner of DPL Neldy Jean Francois, First Deputy Commissioner of DPL

Agenda Topics

- 1. MEETING COMES TO ORDER 10:02AM
- **FIRE/EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS** -
- **INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES**
 - **Board Members**
 - **Board Staff**
 - **Public Attendees**
- 4. Meet with Diane Symonds, newly named Commissioner of the DPL Commissioner and Neldy Jean Francois, First **Deputy Commissioner and Chief of Staff**
- **PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVED**

Open Session Review - March 25, 2019 Motion to accept by J. Bagni Second by P. Vigneau All in Favor Executive Session Review - March 25, 2019 Motion to accept by J. Bagni Second by P. Vigneau All in Favor

- 6. FYI ITEMS
 - 10:10AM Richard Paris, Compliance Officer for the Board of State Examiners of Electricians retired on April 19th, 2019
 - N. Jean-Francois noted that the position will be posted on Mass Careers soon.
 - The Office of Investigation will continue to investigate all complaints.

- License renewal started on April 8th 2019, all renewals will be done on line.
 Please contact dplauthcodes@state.ma.us to obtain your Record ID and Authorization Code. You will be given step by step instructions on creating an ePortal account and linking your license. Please follow the link below https://elicensing.state.ma.us/CitizenAccess/
 - dplauthcodes@state.ma.us is responding to all requests in less than 48 hours.
- Providers for the 15 hour Continuing Education, CE, Classes continue to receive their Error Reports for resubmission. Providers who have not yet received Error Reports are encouraged to contact the Board. ada.alfonso@state.ma.us

Old Business

- Report from eLicensing
 - Number of licenses still not linked?
 - > 03/25/2019 There were 11,342 EL licenses with linked public user accounts.
 - > 04/16/2019 There are currently 13,211 linked licenses
 - ➤ 1282 have already renewed since April 8th As of 04/17/2019 the Board has not mailed any notices to license holders that renewals are open. We have been able to renew at this volume in one week because of our partnership with our Providers. Board and staff extend their appreciation to all of our Providers for supporting us during linking and now during renewals. (There are ~38K licensees up for renewal this cycle)
 - New licenses will be received 4 to 6 weeks after renewed on line.
- Prior to May 1st, 2019, Candidates who successfully pass the Journeyman or Master Electrician licensing exam will receive a license with an expiration date of 07/31/2019. They will have to complete a 15hr code update course to renew and pay the renewal fee. Licenses with a 07/31/2022 will be issued starting May 1st. 2019.
- 10:23AM The DPL has installed four computer kiosks in the 7th floor lobby. License holders who need help linking their licenses or renewing can come to the DPL for one to one assistance.
 - We will add this information to the Website.

• 10:30AM Board Outreach

Our Outreach is an opportunity for the Board meet with Inspectors, Licensees and Apprentices; it is an opening listening session. We bring news about what the BSEE is doing but we also want to hear what we need to improve. During the renewal cycle, April until July the Outreach will include Board Staff helping license holders link and renew licenses. Please contact the sponsors of the meetings if you plan on attending to assure that there is space available. It will be first come first serve, many places have limited space.

- o March 26th, 2019 MECA Cape Cod Chapter, Yarmouth
- March 28th, 2019 Contractor Appreciation Night & Trade Show, IBEW Local Union 223 JATC
- o April 4th, 2019 Peterson School Worcester, Open House for new school.
- o April 12th, 2019 IAEI Cape Cod Chapter, Supercode

The BSEE would like to thank Beth Bellew, Massachusetts Electrical Contractor Association and Bev Kennedy, Kennedy Seminars for their help and support at this event. There were over 250 attendees who created their ePortal account, linked their licenses and renewed their licenses in 9 hours. This outreach could not have been successful without the support of these industry leaders. Thank you!

- April 13th, 2019 Wayne J. Griffin Electric, 2019 17th Annual Apprentice Competitions
 Event Summary included with meeting minutes
- o April 17th, 2019 IAEI Paul Revere Chapter, Anthony's Restaurant Malden 5:PM til 7:30PM
- o April 24th, 2019 IAEI Western Chapter, Greek Cultural Springfield, MA 01104 5PM until 9:00PM
- April 29th, 2019 Ben Franklin Institute of Technology, Boston, AM 10AM
- April 30th, 2019 MECA, Cape Cod Chapter, Howard Lodge Building S. Yarmouth, MA 6PM 9PM
- o May 1st, 2019 MAEI, St. Mark's Episcopal Church Southborough 10AM 2PM
- o May 4th, 2019 Wayne J. Griffin Electrical Health and Wellness Fair, Holliston 10AM 2PM
- o May 7th, 2019 New Hampshire Electrical Board Meeting
- o May 15th, 2019 IAEI Paul Revere Chapter, Anthony's Restaurant Malden 5PM -9PM
- o May 16th, 2019 Gould Construction Institute, Burlington Marriott Safety and Education Conference 4PM 9PM
- o May 18th, 2019 Bent Electric, Somerville, MA
- o May 21st, 2019 Automatic Fire Alarm Association Double Tree Hotel by Hilton, Westborough 6PM 9PM
- o May 23rd, 2019 Worcester County Electric League, Leo's Restaurant, Worcester, MA 6PM 9PM
- o June 6th, 2019 MECA Offices Dedham 2PM 6PM
- o June 12th, 2019 IAEI Paul Revere Chapter, Winthrop Elks Winthrop 10AM 2PM
- o June 27th, 2019 MAVA Connecting for Success Summer Conference
- Inspector Only Seminars with C. Kilb Scheduled for Spring 2019
 - Paul Asselin May 2nd Western Chapter IAEI, Greek Cultural Center in Springfield
 - Nick Catizone MAEI, Martin Electrical and Technical School, Norwood

Meeting Sponsors:

IAEI Western Chapter

IAEI Paul Revere Chapter

MECA Cape Cod Chapter

MECA - Dedham - Beth Bellew

Gould Construction Institute - Julie Kelliher

Automatic Fire Alarm Association of New England - Steve Prior

Worcester County electric League - Tom Keogh

Discussion:

- J. Bagni, Ideal has a spreadsheet that shows College vs. Trades cost and benefits that he send for May Career Fair.
- E. Dorian, we need to have a microphone for public to have an opportunity to speak at the Open Listening Session.

7. <u>LICENSES BY RECIPROCITY</u> Motion to accept by J. Bagni Second by G. Condon All in Favor

Journeyman:

2019-000174-EL-B-A Christopher D'India 2019-000031-EL-B-A Eric T. Colburn 2019-000147-EL-B-A Daniel J. Hebert 2019-000207-EL-B-A Paul Nickerson 2019-000208-EL-B-A Errol Y. Herbert 2019-000270-EL-B-A Andrew Linscott 2019-000277-EL-B-A Jonathan Holmes

Master:

2019-000098-EL-A-A John E. Patles 2019-000103-EL-A-A James P. Hildreth 2019-000102-EL-A-A Daniel R. Bellacqua

8. 10:45AM CORPORATE LICENSE CHANGES

Application to Remove Business from Master/Systems Contractor License

Motion to accept by J. Bagni Second by P. Malagrifa All in Favor.

Record ID	Entity Name	First Name	Last Name
2019-000018-EL-BUS-R	Lawson Electrical & Controls Services, icn	Edward R.	Lawson
2019-000017-EL-BUS-R	Evermore Light and Power, inc.	Shawn	Berry
2019-000014-EL-BUS-R	Alcetel-Lucent USA, Inc.	Byron	Cropp
2019-000015-EL-BUS-R	Milton Electrical Services	Patrick	Murphy
2019-000013-EL-BUS-R	SideBands Systems	John	Zolotas
2019-000012-EL-BUS-R	Lavertue Electric, inc	Paul E.	Lavertue
2019-000005-EL-BUS-R	Zap Electric Inc.	James E	Jaron

E. Dorian recused from vote on AJ Roberto Mechanical Co. Motion to accept by J. Bagni, Second by P. Malagrifa all others in

favor

2018-000048-EL-BUS-R AJ Roberto Mechanical Company, LLC Jonathan Randall

Application to Surrender Master/Systems Contractor License to a Business

Motion to accept by J. Bagni Second by P. Malagrifa All in favor

Record ID	Entity Name	First Name	Last Name
2019-000028-EL-BUS-A	Elite Fire & Security, Inc	John	Medeiros
2019-000026-EL-BUS-A	Evermore Light and Power, inc.	Ada	Alfonso
2019-000022-EL-BUS-A	Greenworks Energy Inc.	Elmer	Urias
2019-000016-EL-BUS-A	Newtex	Joseph	Teixeira
2019-000008-EL-BUS-A	Rayah Power Integration	Armen	Davtian
2019-000004-EL-BUS-A	The Boston Solar Company	Darrell M.	Sweeney
2019-000010-EL-BUS-A	Jameson Electric Inc.	Austin	Jameson
2018-000138-EL-BUS-A	Zap Electric Inc.	Louis M	Menard

Paper Applications

Motion to accept by J. Bagni Second P. Malagrifa All in favor

	1st Light Energy, Inc.	John F.	Carey
	EMI Electrical Contractors	Fabio	Fita
SECOND COMPANY	The Greene Consulting Group	James E.	Precourt
SECOND COMPANY	Kearney, inc	Michael	Hrdy
	D.E.S. Systems, LLC	Steven	Durning
	Total Temperature Control Inc.	Paul V.	Lequin
	Patriot Electric and Overhead, Inc.	Leonard	Pagliaro
	EMI Electrical Contractors	Timothy	Pillarella

9. LICENSE(S) ISSUED BY EXAM: March 2019 First Time Test Takers

	Number of
<u>Type License</u>	<u>Candidates</u>
	for Exam
Journeyman, Part 1 (11 Failed)	41
Journeyman, Part 2 Applied (14 Failed)	29
Master, A Part 1 (4 Failed)	14
Master, A Part 2 (4 Failed)	16
Systems Contractor, C (0 Failed)	2
Systems Technician, D Part 1 (4 Failed)	10
Systems Technician, D Part 2 (5 Failed)	10

10. REPORTS -

Candidates for License Exam – Portion Pass Report First Time and Repeat March 2019

11. 10:47AM REPORT FROM THE B.F.P.R. – P. Vigneau to report

Code Committee proposed amendment package from April 4^{th} - BFPR reviewed proposed changes to draft. There will be a Public Hearing in May. Expected to be adopted in June 2019

Mass Code Advisory Committee met on April 9th to review code changes in NEC 2020

New Business:

Appliance cords being attached by unlicensed delivery drivers. – Advisory to go to Appliance Stores, Municipal Inspectors, Providers and General Contractors that Listing and Labeling requires "Qualified"

R. D'Amato, We may have to go to the Headquarters of stores.

P. Kennedy, The big box stores are paid to install. This is being done by drivers not installing to code.

11:06AM C. Kilb, We will get a draft advisory to board for May meeting. Then the Commissioner will need to approve the Advisory.

12. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – From J. High submitted in his absence

The House is debating the FY20 budget; there do not appear to be any amendments/provisions related to the electrical board.

Updates to the EL Board page were made on Friday, April 12th, to reflect that licensee <u>must</u> now renew online, and inform licensees of the process for doing so. There is a yellow alert banner of the homepage, which links to a renewal page customized to the EL Board and it's renewal process (https://www.mass.gov/how-to/renew-your-electrician-systems-technician-or-systems-contractor-license).

- 13. REPORT FROM THE CHIEF INVESTIGATOR No Report in April
- 14. REPORT FROM O.P.S.I. No Report in April
- 15. 11:08AM REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL C. Kilb to report

BBRS has been actively working on the 10th Edition of the Building Code.

16. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND SCHEDULING

CMR SUBCOMMITTEE (J. Colleary, Chair, J. Bagni, G. Condon, T. Cunningham)

CMR 13.00 is in the Office of Housing and Economic Development

CMR Subcommittee to review curriculum for Schools and Providers. The CMR and Education Subcommittees may have a joint meeting to discuss possibly updating Section 22

11:15AM EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE (D. Edmonds, Chair, P. Malagrifa, J. Sloan, E. Dorian, Alternate)

Set up Subcommittee meeting for May

All members agreed to meet May 10from 8AM – 10AM to approve the final school applications for 2017 Code Cycle.

Applications for review

Renewals of Schools and Providers for 2020 code cycle – Deadline for submitting all applications will be October 1, 2019. The Board will be sending notices and renewal applications starting May 1st, 2019 600 & 300 hour schools will have to demonstrate to Office of Private and Occupational School Education that they have been approved by the BSEE.

- J. Bagni to provide list from MAVA of all night session schools.
- Prefab hours are being approved for licensing prerequisite. Apprentices vs. Helpers, Helpers are not accruing hours. Apprentices are not working in ratio. It was noted by counsel that there is no legal recognition for helpers, individuals claiming to be so arguably can't practice electrical work. J. Bagni will send A. Alfonso the document to review.

We will keep this as an agenda item for May 2018 Meeting.

Education Subcommittee to work on incorporating Hot Works training into the 15 CE class – Board to discuss changes to the power point presentation of February 25th meeting.

11:31AM Jeff Sargent and Monique Manning were scheduled to attend the May 20th BSEE Board Meeting On further discussion with legal counsel, the Board determined that it not need to meet with NFPA prior to approving training as NFPA might be a competitor with other Board approved providers and asking them to create a curriculum for competitors would not be fair.

Final Training will be presented in May meeting for distribution to Providers.

<u>Mandatory program in Massachusetts</u> J. Bagni to present power point for final approval and distribution at May Board Meeting.

A Hot Work Safety Certificate for all persons engaged in hot work operations on the work Site becomes mandatory state-wide in Massachusetts starting July 1, 2018.

What is Hot Work? (527 CMR Chapter 41)

Hot work is any activity or process that involves open flames or that generates sparks or heat and includes: Welding and allied processes; heat treating; grinding; thawing pipes; powder-driven fasteners; hot riveting; torch-appliedroofing; and any similar applications producing or using sparks, flame or heat.

11:40AM INTERPRETATION SUBCOMMITTEE (E. Dorian, Chair, P. Malagrifa, G. Condon, J. Bagni, J. Sloan)

Interpretations of 141.7 with regards to work on Energy Stations.

Committee met on November 20, 2018

Committee met on January 10, 2019 Committee met on February 11th, 2019

May 10th Subcommittee meeting scheduled.

Subcommittee will meet to discuss 164 and 166 and how it pertains to our discussion.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH SUBCOMMITTEE (K. Guinee, Chair, J. Bagni, P. Malagrifa)

Arizona becomes the first to recognize Out-of-State occupational licenses

Arizona does not license professionals on a state level but defers licensing to local municipalities

https://www.governing.com/topics/mgmt/gov-Arizona-professional-licensing-law.html

17. MATTERS NOT ANTICIPATED BY CHAIR

E. Dorian, Governor wondered if the Board needs to hold Open Listening Sessions.

C. Kilb, Section 13 is still awaiting approval. There is no mandate to have an Open Listening Session. The Executive Order 562 expired. He noted that the Board could hold a listening session at any time but if people are coming to talk about Statutes, they should direct their attention to the legislature, not the Board

18. BOARD OF APPEALS (BEA) (1 appeals scheduled)

BEA-19-000003 Campbell vs. Town of Hamilton Continued from March 25th, 2019 meeting

Inspector was not present for Appeal.

Appellant was present and were sworn in, Glenn Campbell and Mike Tenghi

12:41PM BEA entered deliberations

12:54PM Returned to Open Meeting

J. Bagni read the decision of the BEA

Overturn the inspectors on the 200AMP Breaker violation

The Board will notify the IOW that there is a potential of back feed from the battery.

12:58PM BEA was closed.

19. 1:15AM EXECUTIVE SESSION (Closed to the Public, M.G.L. c. 30A, 21) JB, EC, WM, LP, PS

Motion to enter into Executive Session by P. Malagrifa Second by J. Bagni Roll Call

Roll Call					
MEMBER	PRESENT	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NEA</u>	RECUSED/ABSTAINED
K. Guinee			X		
J. Bagni			X		
J. Colleary		X			
G. Condon III			X		
T. Cunningham		X			
E. Dorian			X		
D. Edmonds		X			
P. Vigneau			X		
D. Cahill			Х		
P. Malagrifa			X		
J. Sloane			Х		

20. 2:30PM INVESTIGATIVE CONFERENCE (Closed to the Public, M.G.L. c. 112A, 65C) Motion to enter into Investigative Conference by P. Vigneau Second by P. Malagrifa All in Favor

Negotiated Settlements - F. Mong

2018-001054-IT=ENF

Negotiated Settlements – S. Henderson

2018-001278-IT-ENF

2018-001014-IT-ENF

2018-000982-IT-ENF

2018-000934-IT-ENF

2018-000419-IT-ENF

2018-000705-IT-ENF

<u>INVESTIGATIONS</u>			
DATE OPENED	DOCKET #		
2/25/2019	2019-000194-IT-ENF		
2/25/2019	2019-000208-IT-ENF		
3/5/2019	2019-000241-IT-ENF		
3/5/2019	2019-000242-IT-ENF		
3/7/2019	2019-000264-IT-ENF		
3/20/2019	2019-000309-IT-ENF		

- **21. QUASI-JUDICIAL SESSION** (Closed to Public)
- 22. NEXT BSEE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR: May 20th, 2019 Upper Cape Regional Technical High School, Bourne
- 23. MEETING ADJOURNED 3:01PM Motion to Adjourn by J. Bagni Second by P. Vigneau All in favor

Anticipated Board Meetings dates and locations for 2019:

Meeting Date	<u>Location</u>
1/28/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
2/25/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
3/25/2019	Shawsheen Valley Regional Technical HS, Billerica
4/22/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
5/20/2019	Upper Cape Regional Technical HS, Bourne
6/24/2019	Blackstone Valley Regional Technical HS, Upton
7/22/2019	JATC of Greater Boston, Boston
8/26/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
9/23/2019	Diman Regional Technical HS, Fall River
10/28/2019	DPL, Boston
11/25/2019	Whittier Regional Vocational HS, Haverhill
12/23/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA

INCLUDED IN MEETING AGENDA

Open Session Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2019 Executive Session Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2019 Hot Works Power Point Presentation Wayne J. Electric Apprentice Competition Flyer