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**Board of Certification of Operators of Drinking Water Supply  
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**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD Sept 8, 2023**

(Approved: October 6, 2023)

All board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Michael Celona	Chairman	X	
Mr. William Salomaa	Vice Chairman		X
Mr. Blake Lukis	Member	X	
Mr. Dave Coppes	Member		X
Mr. Andrew Reid	Member	X	
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member	X	
Mass. Labor Representative	Vacant		
STAFF	POSITION		
Ryan Doherty	Executive Director	X	
Lynn Read	Board Counsel	X	
Aashna Alim	Office Admin	X	
Colleen Maloney	Assoc. Commissioner	X	

**MEETING CALL TO ORDER: at 10:10 A.M.**

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

- August 7, 2023, Open Session Board Meeting Minutes:  
Tabled for October 6, 2023 meeting.

**DOL UPDATE:**

- New Executive Director of Drinking Water Board:  
Ryan Doherty introduced himself as the Executive Director for the Board and described his background.
- PSI Exam Center issues:



Board Counsel Read reported that a detailed letter was sent to PSI listing all issues reported to the Board by applicants. PSI requested additional information on each issue. DOL is working on processing said request.

- Audits for TCHs:

Board staff provided update that notice of audit has been included in the renewal letters sent out to licensees. The logistics of the internal DOL process to carry out the audits are still being ironed out.

### **DISCUSSION:**

- Mario Diaz – Discussion of D2 Full and T2 Full applications for Reciprocity:

Mr. Diaz appeared before the Board to discuss the denial of his applications. Board members discussed that policy does not allow Reciprocity from a state that does not have standardized ABC testing. The Board recommended to Mr. Diaz to either submit a request for Temporary Emergency Certificate or apply for waiver to sit for exams to aid and expedite the process of obtaining licenses in MA.

- Training Contact Hours (TCH) Policy

Discussion tabled for October 6, 2023 meeting. Board members were advised to send comments on draft revised policy to Lynn Read before the next meeting. Ms. Pederson requested a copy of the draft policy.

### **RECIPROCITY:**

Last Name	First Name	Applying for	Outcome	Decision at meeting
Hayes	Bradley	T3-Full	<i>Pending</i>	Review postponed pending submittal of experience documents

### **TRAINING CONTACT HOUR APPLICATIONS:**

Organization	Course	Course ID#	TCHs	Status
TiSales	Chemical Feed Pumps 101	DWT-2023-68	4	Approved
Maltz Sales Company	Principals of Air Operated Double Diaphragm Pumps	DWT-2023-69	5	Approved
AWWA/RCAP Solutions	Achieve & Maintain Compliance with SDWA	DWT-2023-70	6	Approved

### **TEMPORARY EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE & PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE STATUS:**

Name of PWS	TEC#	Status
Fall River Water Dept.	—	Denied
Revere Water Div.	2023-58	Approved
Tewksbury State Hospital	2023-59	Approved

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Mr. Bunker and Ms. Pederson asked for the examination data that had been requested in a Public Records Request but has not yet been received. Staff reported that the data has been requested from PSI but has not yet been received and will follow up.



**ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY BOARD:****APPLICATION REVIEW:**

<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Applying for</b>	<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Decision at meeting</b>
Giamanco	Gus	VSS-Full	Approved	—
Condrey	Brian	D1-Full upgrade	<i>Pending</i>	Requires further review
Condrey	Brian	T1-Full upgrade	<i>Pending</i>	Requires further review
Mario	Diaz	D2-Full - Reciprocity (appeal)	<i>Pending</i>	Denied
Mario	Diaz	T2-Full - Reciprocity (appeal)	<i>Pending</i>	Denied
McPhee	Nicholas	D3-Full	<i>Pending</i>	Approved
Dragonetti	Dominic	T1 Full	Approved for OIT	—
Medeiros	Jonathan	D2-Full upgrade	Approved	—
Soares	Jason	D3-Full	<i>Pending</i>	Approved
Geddes	Mark	T3-Full	Approved	—
Ponte	Jamie	T2-Full	Approved for OIT	—
Buchanan	Joshua	D1-Full	Approved	—
Sudanowicz	Richard	D2-Full	Approved	—
Beauchesne	Brian	D4-Full upgrade	Approved	—
Demko	William	T4-Full upgrade	Approved	—
Robichau	Benjamin	D3-Full	Approved	—
Robichau	Benjamin	D4-Full	Approved for OIT	—
Robichau	Benjamin	T2-Full	Approved for OIT	—
Kempe	Douglas	D4-Full	Approved	—
Losert	Daniel	T2-Full	Approved	—
Losert	Daniel	D2-Full upgrade	Approved	—
Gay	Daniel	D2-Full	<i>Pending</i>	Approved for OIT
Worcester	William	T4-Full	Approved for OIT	—
Haak	David	VSS-Full	Request Additional Information	—
Grady	Warren	D1-Full	Approved for OIT	—
Austin	Alan	D1-Full upgrade	Denied	—
Austin	Alan	T4-Full upgrade	Denied	—
Pearson	Jared	T1-Full upgrade	Approved	—
Gay	Daniel	D3-Full	<i>Pending</i>	Approved for OIT
Taylor	Edward	D1-Full	Approved	—
Heaslip	Scott	D2-Full upgrade	Approved	—
Ciaramella	Chris	D4-Full	Approved	—
Scherer	Kevin	T2-Full	Approved	—
Carty	Sergei	T4-Full upgrade	Approved	—
Hancock	Thomas	D3-Full	Approved	—



Decker	John	D4-Full	Approved	—
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\*Member Coppes recuses himself from any MWRA license applications.

\*\*Member Lukis recuses himself from any Dedham-Westwood Water District license applications

\*\*\*Member Reid recuses himself from any Chelmsford Water District license applications.

\*\*\*\*Member Celona recuses himself from any Lynn Water & Sewer Commission applications.

A MOTION was made by Member Alfasso and seconded by Member Lukis to approve licenses indicated in the above chart. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Lukis, Reid, Celona in favor.

The Board did not have any need to hold the Executive Session or Quasi-Judicial Session that were reserved on the Agenda.

### **INVESTIGATIVE CONFERENCE CLOSED UNDER G. L. C. 112, § 65C**

A MOTION was made by Member Alfasso and seconded by Member Lukis to adjourn the Open Meeting and begin a closed Investigative Conference. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Lukis, Reid, Celona in favor.

Report of actions taken during Investigative Conference:

Case:

- Potential Complaint: Complaint to be opened as to one of two licensees; request for further information regarding second license.

### **Adjournment**

A MOTION was made to adjourn was made by Member Lukis and seconded by Member Alfasso. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous — Alfasso, Lukis, Reid, Celona in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at or around 11:17 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted By:

*Michael Celona*

Michael Celona, Chair

Board of Certification of Operators of Drinking Water Supply Facilities

### **Documents Used in Meeting:**

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Applications for licensure pending decisions

