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BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS OPEN SESSION MINUTES

In accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 30A § 20, the Board of State Examiners of Electricians convened a regular monthly meeting on:

Microsoft Teams – Web and phone Access April 26, 2021

The topics shown below were discussed at the aforementioned meeting: 10:30 A.M. The chair called the open meeting to order.

INFORMATIONAL NOTE: All votes were taken by roll call, where each member voted in favor, the vote will be reported as unanimous.

Roll Call, by Chair:

Board members present: Kathleen Guinee, Systems Technician Member (Chair) Paul Vigneau, State Fire Marshal Designee James Colleary, Inspector of Wires Member Paul J. Malagrifa, International Municipal Signal Association, Member (Vice Chair) Brendan E. Driscoll, Journeyman Electrician Member John Bagni, MAVA Member Ellen Dorian, Public Member David Edmonds, Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Education Designee George Condon, Systems Contractor member Thomas Cunningham, Master Electrician Member

Board members absent: Daniel C. Cahill, Electrical Contractor Member

DPL Staff present: Milla Lewis, Administrative Assistant Kristin Mitchell, Assoc. Exec Director Tamara Smith, Program Coordinator Charles Kilb, Counsel **1.** Consideration of the March 22, 2021 regular and executive session meeting minutes.

P. Malagrifa made a motion J. Colleary seconded and the Board by majority of members present voted to approve the minutes as presented Abstained: G. Condon

2. Review/Discuss other reports:

- **Executive Director Report** The Assoc Exec Director updated the Board regarding examination data, reporting 155 new exam applicants, 139 approved, 5 pending CORI checks, 100 for Journeyman, 31 Master, 7 for Systems Tech.
- Office of Investigations No report available
- Legal Counsel No matters to report
- **Board of Fire Prevention Regulations** P. Vigneau updated the Board that the Mass electrical advisory committee is scheduled to meet May 4, 2021.
- Legislative matters Counsel mentioned regarding HB 1567 that it seeks to strike the phrase "engaged in the business" from MGL c 143 s 3L

Name	Туре
Jacob A. Bull	Journeyman
Andrew Casey	Journeyman
Benjamin W. Fritz	Journeyman
Scott A. Goucher	Journeyman
Steven L. James	Journeyman
Jakob W. Lee	Journeyman
Bervin W. Miller	Journeyman
Bryan J. Ormond	Journeyman
Ryan Paquette	Journeyman

3. Review the list of license applicants approved by staff for reciprocity:

4. **Review** list of business license approvals by staff

Business Name	Primary Owner	Licensee of Record	Licensee Type	Business License Number
Coastal Electric Inc	Patrick Daly	Kevin C. McCurdy	Master	8144-EL-A1
David Caron Electrical LLC	David Caron	David Caron	Master	8140-EL-A1
Future Energy Solar LLC	Adalberto R. Filho	John F. Carey Jr	Master	8141-EL-A1
Heat Pumps Unlimited Inc	Mitchell Cahill	Samuel Pike	Master	8146-EL-A1
Isaksen Solar LLC	Jeff Demelo	Jeff Demelo	Master	8143-EL-A1

Mini Electric Corp	Darren Mini	Darren Mini	Master	8147-EL-A1
Mourad & Sons Construction and Electric Inc	Edward J. Mourad	Edward J. Mourad	Master	8138-EL-A1
One Source LLC	Michael A. Moreschi	Michael A. Moreschi	Master	8142-EL-A1
Prestige Electrical Contractors Inc	Dominic C. Giancaterino	Dominic C. Giancaterino	Master	8139-EL-A1
Priority 7 Alarm Systems LLC	Jose Rivas	Jose Rivas	Systems Contractor	8135-EL-A1
Santo Electric LLC	Anthony Santo	Anthony Santo	Master	8148-EL-A1
SRS Home Improvement Inc	Stanley R. Smith	Donald W. Smith	Master	8145-EL-A1
UG2 Engineering LLC	James M. Lane	Paul A. Gemmel	Master	8136-EL-A1
Vineyard Alarm LLC	Keith Reynolds	Keith Reynolds	Systems Contractor	8137-EL-A1

- **5. Discussion** Staff gave a status update on the C1 business license, they indicated the developers are able to change current A1 numbers to the same number with a C1 designation in conversion of the FA business licenses. No further action.
- 6. Discussion COVID related Education program requests and progress -
 - D. Edmonds stated that vocational school programs continue to conduct theory remotely while shop is at limited capacity sessions at schools. He indicated that there is interest in discussing remote shop work, but this will be a future matter. No further action.
- 7. Discuss Remote Inspections B. Driscoll indicated that there are still occurrences of virtual inspections occurring which may be contrary to the Board's advisory. He stated that the Board should consider clarifying to inspectors the intent of the advisory to prohibit such practices. Legal Counsel noted that the law is less explicit regarding non-final inspections, so there might be a grey area for remote inspections prior to a final inspection. However, he indicated that an inspector is required to approve an installation only upon completion of a live inspection. The Board will discuss further at a future meeting. No action taken.
- 8. **Discuss** subcommittee meetings and reports:
 - Regulation\CMR Subcommittee Nothing to report
 - Education Subcommittee D. Edmonds discussed the recommendation of the Education Subcommittee to adopt vocational technical frameworks into CMR section 22 as well as to consider other CMR educational changes, such as for instructor certification. J. Bagni commented in support of the amendments and made a motion D. Edmonds seconded and the Board unanimously voted to refer the matter to have a joint meeting with the CMR subcommittee for review and recommendation to the full Board.
 - **Interpretation Subcommittee** Nothing to report

- **Planning and Research Subcommittee** K. Guinee reported regarding the subcommittee meeting held on April 2, 2021 and did not have any recommendations for the Board but will be continuing its conversation regarding the statutory issues regarding apprentice to journeyman ratios and the requirement to hold a Journeyman license upon obtaining a Master license
- **9. Discuss** other matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting. Nothing reported.

10. Board of Electricians' Appeals [open hearings, closed deliberations per M.G.L c. 30A, §18]

11:47 A.M. The members convened the Board of Appeals to conduct a hearing on the following appeal

• **BEA-21-000002** – Patrick Hazlett v Peter Diamond, town of Medfield

The parties were sworn in by the chair and exhibits read into the record. At the conclusion of the hearing at 12:09 P.M.

P. Malagrifa made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and the Board unanimously voted to close the hearing and enter deliberations.

12:35 P.M. Upon return to open session J. Bagni made a motion P. Malagrifa seconded and the Board unanimously voted to overturn the Inspector's decision based on exhibit I4 designating it's use as an emergency disconnect only.

The chair advised the parties that the written decision would be disseminated within 45 days.

11. Executive Session (M.G.L. c. 30A, §21 – Closed session)

At 12:37 p.m., P. Malagrifa made a motion J. Bagni seconded and the Board unanimously voted by roll call to enter Executive Session to discuss individuals character, rather than competence. (no litigation strategy was discussed)

MEMBER	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NEA</u>	RECUSED/ABSTAINED
K. Guinee	Χ		
J. Bagni	Χ		
J. Colleary	Χ		
D. Edmonds	Χ		
P. Vigneau	Χ		
E. Dorian	Х		
P. Malagrifa	Χ		
G. Condon	X		
T. Cunningham	X		
B. Driscoll	X		

12. Quasi-Judicial Session to discuss disciplinary decisions (Closed per M.G.L c. 30A, §18) – No matters considered

13. Investigative Conference (M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C – Closed session)

• Discussion of complaints prior to the issuance of an order to show cause

Docket	Recommendation
2021-000014-IT-ENF	Forward for Prosecution
2021-000118-IT-ENF	Dismiss w/ advisory
2021-000119-IT-ENF	Dismiss w/ advisory

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and the Board unanimously voted to ratify the aforementioned decisions

14. Adjournment – the next scheduled meeting will be May 24, 2021

P. Malagrifa made a motion J. Colleary seconded and the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:54 PM.

Items relied upon during the open meeting

Agenda Minutes of the meeting March 22, 2021