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Massachusetts Board State Examiners of Electricians CMR Subcommittee Meeting Minutes May 20, 2022

Conducted remotely via Microsoft Teams meeting

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

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 10:01 A.M.

Subcommittee members present: James Colleary, Inspector of Wires Member (chair) John Bagni, MAVA Member Brendan Driscoll, Journeyman Member

Members of Board Staff present: Keith Gleason, Executive Director Tamara Smith, Program Coordinator Charles Kilb, Legal Counsel

1. Reviewed Minutes of the meeting May 9, 2022

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted to approve the minutes as presented.

2. Review/Discuss CMR draft amendments

a. Discussed IEP&CEP penalty for non-renewal while conducting courses.

Counsel reviewed language previously drafted by the subcommittee to proposed section 22.04(7) which would impose new penalties to IEP's and CEP's if they are non-compliant with the conditions of their approval.

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted to approve section 22.04 as amended.

b. Discussed removal of CE option in 237 CMR 14.02(3)(d)

- Members agreed that since apprentices must take continuing education for the examination, there was no sense allowing retaking that education for individuals who failed the examination repeatedly.
- c. Cumulative overview of proposed amendments to 237 CMR 13, 14, 17, 18, 22 and 24

The subcommittee deemed the main drafting complete and reviewed each chapter of regulations one by one to determine if they were ready for the full Board.

• Review of proposed amendments to section 13

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted to approve the amendments as discussed for section 13.

• Review of proposed amendments to section 14

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted to approve the amendments for section 14 as presented.

- Review of proposed amendments to section 17
 - The subcommittee discussed the need for the professional development requirement. Members noted that that the broadness of the requirement did not lend itself to auditing and it was the belief of the members that many licensees will continue attending development seminars and courses as it pertains to new technology and specialty systems or as they advance in careers without the need for a mandate.

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted to strike the 6 hr professional development requirement and any references to it from section 17.

 The Subcommittee also reviewed the online synchronous and asynchronous class requirements for CEPs and agreed that asynchronous self-paced courses must include some type of examination or other assessment that would need to be reviewed and approved by the education subcommittee as a condition of providership approval. Counsel provided language to implement this idea.

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted to approve the amendments to section 17 with the new language as discussed.

- Review of proposed amendments to section 18.
 - The Subcommittee discussed proposed inspector requirements for the new section 18.01(10). J. Colleary expressed concern that many currently employed inspectors may experience a hardship with the new requirements. The subcommittee agreed to insert a 3 year implementation allowance from the effective date.

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted approve the amendments to section 18 with the new language as discussed.

- Review of proposed amendments to section 22.
 - The Subcommittee discussed the pass/fail rates and agreed to add an 80% competency assessment requirement for IEP duties in proposed section 22.05(3).
 - Regarding proposed requirements for instructors, the subcommittee discussed and agreed to match the inspector section by providing a 3 years compliance deadline from implementation date for existing instructors and 1 year compliance deadline for new instructors immediately after the regulations go into effect unless extended by the Board for new instructors.

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted approve the amendments to section 22 as discussed.

• Review of proposed amendments to section 24

J. Bagni made a motion B. Driscoll seconded and it was so unanimously voted approve the amendments to section 24 as presented.

Discuss other matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting. None presented.
No matters presented.

4. Adjournment

Following conclusion of the agenda items and hearing no further matters to discuss the chair called for a motion to adjourn.

At 12:29 P.M. B. Driscoll made a motion J. Bagni seconded, and it was so unanimously voted to adjourn.

List of Documents used at the meeting

- 1. Meeting agenda
- 2. Meeting minutes May 9, 2022
- 3. CMR sections