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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:

Goto-Meeting – Web and phone Access November 23, 2020

The topics shown below were discussed at the aforementioned meeting: 10:35 A.M. The chair called the open meeting to order.

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)

John Bagni, MAVA Member

David Edmonds, Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Education Designee

Daniel C. Cahill, Electrical Contractor Member

George Condon III, Systems Contractor Member

Members absent:

Brendan E. Driscoll, Journeyman Electrician Member

Ellen Dorian, Public Member

Thomas Cunningham, Master Electrician Member

DPL Staff present:

Mari Cooney, Executive Director

Kristin Mitchell, Assoc. Exec Director

Tamara Smith, Program Coordinator

Milla Lewis, Admin Assistant

Charles Kilb, Counsel

Syno Tell, Investigator

1. Consideration of the October 26, 2020 regular meeting minutes.

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P. Malagrifa made a motion J. Bagni seconded and the Board unanimously voted to approve the minutes as presented.

2. Review/Discuss other reports:

- a. **Executive Director Report** The Executive Director updated the Board regarding examination data reporting 141 new exam applicants, 132 approved, 6 pending, 99 for Journeyman, 31 Master, 9 for Systems Tech and 2 Systems Contractor. She also welcomed the students in attendance this month for educational purposes.
- b. Office of Investigations No report available
- c. Legal Counsel No matters to report
- d. **Board of Fire Prevention Regulations** P. Vigneau mentioned that the Interpretations committee are scheduled to meet November 24 and that the BFPR would then discuss the outcomes at the December meeting. He stated further information is available via the DFS website.
- e. Legislative matters No matters to report
- **3.** Review the list of license applicants approved by staff for reciprocity:

Name	Туре
Marco Desrocher	Journeyman
Willis Dicentes	Journeyman
Wayne Shores	Journeyman
Aaron B. Stapleton	Journeyman
Gregory Kowalski	Journeyman
Christopher M. Cote-Kohlhorst	Journeyman
Ali Kabli	Master

4. Review list of business license approvals by staff

Business Name	Primary Owner	Licensee of Record	Licensee Type	Business License Number
Vining Hill Electric LLC	Riley O'Donnell	Riley O'Donnell	Master	8087-A1
C&C Electrical Corporation	Andrew A. Cunha	Andrew A. Cunha	Master	8088-A1
Homeworks Energy Inc	Martijn Fleuren	Andrey Avery	Master	8089-A1

5. Discussion Business License related progress and questions – P. Bagni suggested December 31, 2022 as the start time for enforcing violations of 237 CMR 18.01(2) for advertisements missing business license numbers but include personal license numbers. The Board members inquired as to implementing a C1 license to represent the Systems business license noting that it is difficult for Inspectors to manage issuing permits without knowing whether a business seeking a permit might only be allowed to perform systems work as versus all electrical work.

They also asked whether a representative of the e-licensing team could attend a follow-up meeting and address any questions of the Board. The Executive Director stated staff will look into whether the changes would be possible and get back to the Board.

- P. Bagni suggested for Board discussion at the December meeting to be able to drop the Journeyman license upon obtaining a Master. Counsel stated that the Board could talk about it, but the governing statutes require the Journeyman for the physical practice of electrical work, any removal would therefore require a legislative amendment.
- **6. Discussion** COVID related Education program requests and progress nothing to report.
- 7. **Discuss** DESE related updates and objectives D. Edmonds mentioned that DESE representation is expected at the December meeting to present on the electrical frameworks update.
- **8.** Discuss subcommittee meetings and reports:
 - a. **Regulation**\CMR Subcommittee Nothing to report
 - b. **Education Subcommittee** D. Edmonds reported the subcommittee reviewed 3 presentations and approved 1 more Provider for remote CE by video conference. P. Bagni added that the subcommittee plans to implement instructor training program beginning in 2021before the next code cycle change.
 - c. **Interpretation Subcommittee** Nothing to report
 - d. Planning and Research Subcommittee- Nothing to report
- **9. Discuss** other matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting.
- 10. Board of Electricians' Appeals [open hearings, closed deliberations per M.G.L c. 30A, §18]
- 11:46 A.M. The members convened the Board of Appeals to conduct hearings on the following appeal
 - a. **BEA-20-00006** William Hunter v Michael Mancini, town of Milford

The parties were sworn in by the chair and exhibits read into the record. Upon conclusion of each hearing at 12:18 PM

J. Bagni made a motion P. Malagrifa seconded and the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the hearing and enter deliberations.

The chair announced that the Board would return to open session to issue the decision however the written decision would be disseminated within 45 days.

12:52 P.M. J. Bagni made a motion P. Malagrifa seconded and the Board unanimously voted to overturn the decision of the Inspector of Wires. The Inspector is also advised to quote the correct code reference on citing the violation and failed inspection.

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

12:56 P.M. P. Vigneau made a motion J. Colleary seconded and the Board unanimously voted by roll call to enter Executive Session to discuss applicants' character, rather than competence (no

other purpose would apply at this meeting). The chair noted that the Board did not anticipate returning to open session except to adjourn.

MEMBER	YEA	<u>NEA</u>	RECUSED/ABSTAINED
K. Guinee	X		
J. Bagni	X		
J. Colleary	X		
D. Edmonds	X		
P. Vigneau	X		
D. Cahill	X		
P. Malagrifa	X		
G. Condon	X		

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

a. Discussion of complaints prior to the issuance of an order to show cause

Docket	Board review
2020-001017-IT-ENF	Forward for prosecution
2020-001046-IT-ENF	Forward for prosecution
2020-001066-IT-ENF	Forward for prosecution
2020-001056-IT-ENF	Forward for prosecution

- J. Bagni made a motion P. Malagrifa seconded and the Board unanimously voted to ratify the aforementioned decisions.
- J. Bagni made a motion P. Malagrifa seconded and the Board unanimously voted to open a separate complaint in 2020-001056-IT-ENF.
 - b. Discussion of the terms of a negotiated settlement of a complaint
 - i. Prosecutor Henderson -

2020-000469-IT-ENF – unanimous acceptance of alternate settlement 2019-000990-IT-ENF – majority vote to issue alternate terms 2020-00013-IT-ENF – majority vote to issue alternate terms

13. Quasi-Judicial Session to discuss disciplinary decisions (Closed per M.G.L c. 30A, §18) – None presented

14. Adjournment – the next scheduled meeting will be October 26, 2020

J. Bagni made a motion P. Malagrifa seconded and the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:08 PM.

Items relied upon during the open meeting

Agenda

Minutes of the meeting October 26, 2020