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Minutes

Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians, and Sprinkler Fitters

Division of Occupational Licensure Video Conference Call Meeting

March 15, 2023 10:00 AM

1. Meeting called to order by the Chair at 10:00 AM, followed by roll call, the Chair asked that members identify themselves and whom they represent:

Bureau Members Present:

Grace Poirier, Chair Scott King, Pipefitter Member Justin Fishlin, Sprinkler Fitter Member Allan Berry, Refrigeration Technician Member Pauline Lally, User Member Sharon Orr, Mechanical Engineer John Viola, Sprinkler Contractor Member Brian Kelly, Mass. Building/Construction Trades

Bureau Members Not Present:

Dan Dumont, NE Mechanical Contractors Frank Norton, Boston Refrigeration Contractors VACANT, Public Member

Pursuant to St. 2021, c. 20, § 20, An Act Relative to Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures, all board members and staff appeared by videoconference. Public access was provided via videoconference or telephone connection. The Chair informed all attendees that the board meeting was being recorded via Microsoft Teams and that by remaining in the meeting they are consenting on being recorded. The Chair informed the Bureau members of the following meeting protocols in order to comply with the Open Meeting Laws:

- Meeting is conducted by the Chair and speakers must be recognized in order to address the Bureau.
- Meeting is a public meeting, not a public hearing.
- Anyone not speaking is to be kept on mute.
- All votes require a roll call by the Bureau members.
- All speakers must identify themselves by name.

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- 2. Minutes: The draft minutes from the February 14, 2023, Bureau meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Allan Berry, seconded by Justin Fishlin; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly)
- 3. There were no Bureau Applications for Examination to review this month.
- 4. Review of Bureau Apprentice License Renewals

Lee Mays (SA) - Approved

Mr. Mays was not present in the meeting, therefore consideration of the Sprinkler Apprentice license submitted by him was postponed to later in the meeting.

Michael Wysocki (SA) - Denied

The renewal of the Sprinkler Apprentice license submitted by Michael Wysocki was considered. Mr. Wysocki was not present in the meeting. Motion to deny the renewal of the Sprinkler Apprentice license made by John Viola, seconded by Justin Fishlin; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly. Grace Poirier abstained.)

Jonathan Losordo (SA) - Denied

The renewal of the Sprinkler Apprentice license submitted by Jonathan Losordo was considered. Mr. Losordo was not present in the meeting. Motion to deny the renewal of the Sprinkler Apprentice license made by Justin Fishlin, seconded by Brian Kelly; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly. Grace Poirier abstained.)

Benjamin Tavares (RA) - Denied

The renewal of the Refrigeration Apprentice license submitted by Benjamin Tavares was considered. Mr. Tavares was not present in the meeting. Motion to deny the renewal of the Refrigeration Apprentice license made by Brian Kelly, seconded by Allan Berry; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly. Grace Poirier abstained.)

Michael Hayes (RA) - Denied

The renewal of the Refrigeration Apprentice license submitted by Michael Hayes was considered. Mr. Hayes was not present in the meeting. Motion to deny the renewal of the Refrigeration Apprentice license made by Brian Kelly, seconded by Allan Berry; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly. Grace Poirier abstained.)

Shawn Paiva (PA) – Approved

The renewal of the Pipefitter Apprentice license submitted by Shawn Paiva was considered. Mr. Paiva was present in the meeting. Motion to approve the renewal of the Pipefitter Apprentice license for one renewal cycle made by Brian Kelly, seconded by Sharon Orr; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly).

Stephen Corio (RA) - Denied

The renewal of the Refrigeration Apprentice license submitted by Stephen Corio was considered. Mr. Corio was not present in the meeting. Motion to deny the renewal of the Refrigeration Apprentice license made by Allan Berry, seconded by Justin Fishlin; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly. Grace Poirier abstained.)

Joseph Nolan (RA) - Approved

The renewal of the Refrigerator Apprentice license submitted by Joseph Nolan was considered. Mr. Nolan was present in the meeting. Motion to approve the renewal of the Refrigerator Apprentice license for one renewal cycle made by Justin Fishlin, seconded by John Viola; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly)

Michael Manning (RA) – Tabled

Mr. Manning was not in attendance.

Motion to Table consideration of all the applications for Renewal of Apprentice license for applicants who were invited for the first time and who were not in attendance, made by Sharon Orr, seconded by Justin Fishlin; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly. Grace Poirier abstained.)

The following licensees were tabled for the next meeting:

- Lev Mukhaelyani
- Michael Manning
- Scott Johansen
- Nicholas Matrinko

Matthew Bisceglia (PA) - Approved

The renewal of the Pipefitter Apprentice license submitted by Matthew Bisceglia was considered. Mr. Bisceglia was present in the meeting. Motion to approve the renewal of the Pipefitter Apprentice license for one renewal cycle made by Scott King, seconded by Brian Kelly; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly)

Jason Phu (RA) - Approved

The renewal of the Refrigerator Apprentice license submitted by Jason Phu was considered. Mr. Phu was present in the meeting. Motion to approve the renewal of the Refrigerator Apprentice license for one renewal cycle made by Sharon Orr, seconded by Alan Berry; motion passed by a majority roll call vote. (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, and Brian Kelly)

5. Chair Report

Grace Poirier presented the current guidelines established between the Division of Apprentice Standards (DAS) and the Division of Occupational Licensure (DOL) that allow Pipefitting and Refrigeration apprentices who are currently registered with DAS, but not licensed by DOL a

grace period, to apply for a DOL apprentice license if they are working within the scope of DOL licensure. That grace period is to end by June 30,2023.

6. Bureau Counsel

Lynn Read indicated that there was nothing separate from the items in the agenda to discuss at this time.

7. Jurisdictional Report by the Office of Public Safety and Inspections

Daniel Kilburn presented the OPSI jurisdictional report to the Bureau members. Mr. Kilburn stated that 16 inspections (9 – Pipefitting, 4 Sprinkler Fitting, 3 Refrigeration Technician) were performed in the month of February, where no violations were found, and no fines were issued.

8. Office for College, Career and Technical Education from DESE

Lisa Sandler from the Office for College, Career and Technical Education at the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) discussed technical HVAC education frameworks. DESE's goal was to have the Bureau recognize all schools because they follow Chapter 74 framework to be considered towards earning hours in a 'blanket' type of approval without having to apply individually. Bureau members presented questions to DESE regarding shop hours versus class hours. DESE indicated that would present answers in the next meeting.

- **9.** Matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting Nothing was brought up or discussed.
- 10. Motion to adjourn made by Sharon Orr, seconded by Justin Fishlin; motion passed by unanimous roll call vote (Scott King, Justin Fishlin, Allan Berry, Pauline Lally, John Viola, Sharon Orr, Brian Kelly, and Grace Poirier). Meeting adjourned at 11:39 AM.

The next meeting of the Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians, and Sprinkler Fitters will be on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 10:00 AM.

List of Documents/Exhibits Used at this Meeting

- a. Draft minutes from the Bureau meeting on February 14, 2023
- b. SA License Lee Mays
- c. SA License Michael Wysocki
- d. SA License Jonathan Losordo
- e. RA License Benjamin Tavares
- f. RA License Michael Hayes
- g. RA License Lev Mukhaelyani
- h. RA License Michael Manning
- i. SA License Scott Johansen
- i. RA License Nicholas Matrinko
- k. RA License Stephen Corio
- I. SA License Andrew Bosko

- m. PA License Shawn Paiva
- n. RA License Joseph Nolan
- o. PA License Matthew Bisceglia
- p. RA License Jason Phu
- q. Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians, and Sprinkler Fitters Compliance Inspection Report (February 2023)