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BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS

MARCH 9, 2021 BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

In accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 30A § 20, notice was given that the Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters convened a regular monthly meeting via Microsoft Teams

The topics shown below were discussed at the aforementioned meeting

Member and Staff Attendance

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Member, Master Gas Fitter	X	
Mr. David Sullivan	Member, DPL Designee	X	
Mr. Harold Knight	Member, Journeyman Plumber	X	
Mr. John Cruz	Member, LP Installer	X	
Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E.	Member, Plumbing Engineer		X
Mr. Joseph V. Waskiewicz	Member, Master Plumber	X	
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Member Journeyman Gasfitter	X	
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member, Dept. of Public Health	X	
Ms. Sarah Badway	Public Member	X	

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STAFF			
Mr. Charles Kilb	Board Legal Counsel	X	
Ms. Karen Brann	Board Executive Director	X	
Ms. Mary Collins- McCarthy	Associate Executive Director	X	
Mr. Taylor Roth	State Plumbing Investigator		X
Mr. Scott Padden	State Plumbing Investigator		X
Mr. Fredrick Lima	State Plumbing Investigator	X	
Mr. James O'Reilly	State Plumbing Investigator	X	
Mr. Joseph Peluso	Board Consultant	X	

2:00 P.M. AGENDA REVIEW: By Chairman Joseph McNamee

DISCUSSION:

Vocational Plumbing Framework -Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Board review and possible approval of Plumbing Framework

Lisa Sandler of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education presented draft educational frameworks for use by vocational technical high schools in Massachusetts. She indicated that the existing frameworks had been approved by the Board and requested the Board review and ultimately approve of the revisions. Members of the task force that drafted the frameworks were introduced to the Board, then M. Sandler reviewed the frameworks with the Board section by section. She indicated to the Board that the frameworks, as prepared, fully comply with the Board's tier program. She further confirmed her agency's understanding and expectation that the Board must approve of the frameworks to be utilized. The Chair indicated that the Board would review all materials and expected a vote at the next meeting. While not on the agenda, she also indicated a desire for the Board to make future regulation changes to allow public vocational schools to offer post-secondary programs with the same benefits to students that are currently open only to secondary school students. Members did not opine on this request but noted that the only topic before them was frameworks for secondary/high school programs. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:11 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Knight to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Thomas. Result: unanimously approved with each member voting yes.

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Respectfully Submitted By;

Karen R. Brann

Karen Brann, Executive Director Board of Examiners of Plumbers and Gasfitters

Respectfully Authorized by;

Joseph McNamee

Joseph McNamee., Chairman Board of Examiners of Plumbers and Gasfitters