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Minutes

Bureau of Pipefitters, Refrigeration Technicians, and Sprinkler Fitters
Division of Occupational Licensure
Video Conference Call Meeting

April 17, 2024, 10:00 AM

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:

1. Roll Call

• Andrew Bridges	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
• Dan Dumont, NE Mechanical Contractors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
• Dennis Allen, Pipefitter Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
• Justin Fishlin, Sprinkler Fitter Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
• Pauline Lally, User Member	X present	absent
• Brian Nicholson Refrigeration Technicians	X present	absent
• Sharon Orr, Mechanical Engineer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
• John Viola, Sprinkler Contractor Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
• Brian Kelly, Mass. Building/Construction Trades	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent
• Mark Fortune, Sprinkler Fitter Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> present	<input type="checkbox"/> absent

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

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



2. Minutes: Meeting minutes for March were tabled.

3. Executive Director Report

Andrew Bridges explained that licenses are no longer being send in hard copy and are being issued electronically only.

4. Discussion:

a. Bureau Applications for Examination to review.

Sharon Orr made a motion to table applicants who are not present for the first time, seconded by Brian Kelly. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote. (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Brian Nicholson, Pauline Lally, John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Andrew Bridges)

Michael O'Reilly RT – Approved for Refrigeration Technician exam.

Mr. O'Reilly was present for today's meeting. He is a RI local 51 with 18 years of experience. He was approved to sit at RT exam via MA regulations. **MOTION** by Brian Nicholson to **approve** him to sit for the RT exam, **SECOND** by Brian Kelly motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Dan Dumont, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Joseph Piet PJ - Approved Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Piet was present at today's meeting. He is an out of state applicant from NH who would like to explore job opportunities in Mass. **MOTION** was made by Dennis Allen to **Approve** Mr. Pie to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND** by Brian Kelly motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the (Justin Fishlin Dennis Allen Dan Dumont Sharon Orr, John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges in favor)

Cody Lassonde PJ- Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Lassonde was present at today's meeting. He is from ME he is trying to explore job opportunities in Mass. **MOTION was made** by Brian Kelly to **Approve** Mr. Lassonde to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND** by Dan Dumont; motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Dennis Allen, Dan Dumont Sharon Orr, John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Edwin Taylor PJ -. Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Taylor was present at today's meeting. He is from local 131 NH, he said he would like to provide for his family, and he is looking for job opportunities in Mass. **MOTION was made** by Brian Kelly to **Approve** Mr. Taylor to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam **SECOND** by Sharon Orr, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Dan Dumont Sharon Orr, John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Benjamin Gagne P J – Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Gagne was present at today's meeting. He is from local 131 NH, he is exploring job opportunities in Mass. **MOTION** was made by Dennis Allen to approve Mr. Gagne to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam. **SECOND** by Dan Dumont, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin Dennis Allen Dan Dumont Sharon Orr, John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Jason Frendburg P J – Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Frendburg was present at today's meeting. He is from ME he has been in the trade for 27years. Looking for job opportunities in Mass. **MOTION** was made by Dan Dumont to **Approve** Mr. Frendburg to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND** by Sharon Orr; motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Dan Dumont Dennis Allen Sharon Orr, John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

David Whitney PJ - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Whitney was present at today's meeting. He is from NY; He has now relocated to Mass and wants to get his license here. **MOTION** was made by Brian Kelly to **Approve** Mr. Whitney to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND** by Sharon Orr; motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Dennis Allen Sharon Orr, John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Landon Gore - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. **Gore** was present at today's meeting. He moves from Virginia to NH. He is looking to get his license in MA. **MOTION** was made by Brian Kelly to **Approve** Mr. Gore. to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND** by Sharon Orr; motion passed by a majority roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges in favor, Dan Dumont abstained)

Nicolas Garcia - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Garcia was present at today's meeting. He currently holds a NH local 131. He is looking to expand job opportunities in MA. **MOTION** was made by Dennis Allen to **Approve** MR. Garcia to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND** by Dan Dumont, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Ryan O'Tool - Approved for Sprinkler Journeyman exam.

Mr. O'Tool was present at today's meeting. He currently holds a CT 669 Sprinkler journeyman, he said he lives on the border of CT and Mass and would like to get more job opportunities in MA. **MOTION** was made by Mark Fortune to **Approve** MR. O'Tool to sit for the Sprinkler Journeyman exam, **SECOND** by Sharon Orr, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

A MOTION was made by Brian Kelly to withdraw the previous motion so that the Bureau may vote on applicants not present but who meet Bureau requirements, **SECOND** by Brian Nicholson. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Kevin Carvalho - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Carvalho was not present at today's meeting but the members considered his application. He holds a RI. Pipefitter journeyman license and he meets the requirement. **MOTION** was made by Brian Kelly to **Approve** Mr. Carvalho to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND** by Dan Dumont, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Andrew Re - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Re was present at today's meeting, he is a Mass resident local 131 with 10 yrs. experience. He is seeking employment. **MOTION** was made Brian Kelly by to **Approve** Mr. Re to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND** Dennis Allen motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Jason Bouchard - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Bouchard was present at today's meeting. He has been a member of local 131 since 1998. He is looking for employment in Mass. **MOTION** was made by Dan Dumont to **Approve** Mr. Bouchard to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, **SECOND**, Brian Kelly motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Anthony Savat - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Savat was present at today's meeting. He is a member of the NH. local 131. He said he

lives on the border of NH and MA and would like to get jobs in Mass. **MOTION** was made by Brian Kelly to **Approve** Mr. Savat to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, SECOND Dennis Allen motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Ricardo Rodriguez - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. **Rodriguez** was present at today's meeting. He is a member of the NH. local 131, he meets the requirements to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam. **MOTION** was made by Sharon Orr, to **Approve** Mr. **Rodriguez** to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam, SECOND. Brian Nicholson motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Lonnie Finley - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Finley was present at today's meeting. He has 38 yrs. experience in the trade. He said he travels across the country for work. **MOTION** was made by Brian Kelly to **Approve** Mr. Finley to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam SECOND. Brian Nicholson motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Jason Carreiro - Approved for Refrigeration Technician exam.

Mr. Carreiro was present at today's meeting. He is a member of RI local 51 and currently works in RI. He is looking for job opportunities in MA. **MOTION** was made by Dan Dumont to **Approve** Mr. Carreiro to sit for the Refrigeration Technician exam SECOND. Brian Kelly, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Lawrence Flink - Approved for Pipefitter Journeyman exam.

Mr. Flink was present at today's meeting. He is a member of the RI local 51, he meets the requirements, and he is looking for work opportunities in MA. **MOTION** was made by Sharon Orr to **Approve** Mr. Flink to sit for the Pipefitter Journeyman exam SECOND Brian Kelly, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

B. Appeals of Denials of Applications for Examination.

Craig Mc Neil

Mr. Mc Neil withdrew his appeal.

C. Bureau Apprentice license renewals

John Perkins SA -Approved

After discussion, **MOTION** was made by Sharon Orr to **Approve** Mr. Perkins for one more renewal, SECOND Mark Fortune motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Jovanny Baez - SA Tabled

Jovanny Baez was not present. **MOTION** was made by Sharon Orr, SECOND by Dennis Allen to table all those not present for the first time, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Scott Baker- RA – Not present, Tabled per prior motion

Tarneisha Reynolds – SA

MOTION was made by Sharon Orr to **Approve** Miss. Reynolds for one more renewal, SECOND Mark Fortune motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Christopher O'Hearn - SA

MOTION was made by Sharon Orr to **Approve** Mr. **O'Hearn**. for one more renewal, SECOND Mark Fortune motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

Gregory Dorsainval - SA Tabled per prior motion

D. Amendments to 528 CMR 2.00, 3.00, and 11.00

E. After discussion, amendments were approved. **MOTION** was made by Andrew Bridges, SECOND by Sharon Orr, to approve the proposed amendments to 528 CMR with the exception of the proposed sections concerning the pipefitter-welder license and definition found in 528 CMR 2.02 and 528 CMR 11.01(5)(a)-(d). Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Dan Dumont, Justin Fishlin, Pauline Lally, Sharon Orr, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Brian Nicholson, Andrew Bridges). Brian Nicholson, who is a new member on the Bureau, wants to look over them.

F. Jurisdictional Report by Office of Public Safety and Inspections

Daniel Kilburn presented the OPSI jurisdiction report to the Bureau members. Mr. Kilburn reviewed Bureau License Compliance and Enforcement actions resulting in fines.

G. Board Counsel Report.

Ms. Read had no separate report.

H. Open Session for Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by Chair 48 Hours in Advance of Meeting.

No Topics.

MOTION to Adjourn made by Sharon Orr, SECOND Brian Kelly, motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote (Justin Fishlin, Sharon Orr, Dennis Allen John Viola, Brian Kelly, Mark Fortune, Dan Dumont Pauline Lally Brian Nicholson Andrew Bridges)

The meeting was adjourned at or around 11:54 a.m.

List of Documents/Exhibits Used at this Meeting:

- a. Agenda for Meeting April 17, 2024
- b. Applications of:
 - Michael O'Reilly
 - Joseph Piet
 - Cody LaSonde
 - Edwin Taylor
 - Benjamin Gagne
 - Jason Frendburg
 - David Whitney

Landon Gore
Nicolas Garcia
Ryan O'Toole
Kevin Carvalho
Andrew Re
Jason Bouchard
Antony Savat
Ricardo Rodriguez
Lonnie Finley
Jason Carreiro
Lawrence Flink
Craig McNeil
John Perkins
Jovanny Baez
Scott Baker
Tarneisha Reynolds
Gregory Dorsainval

c. Revisions to 528 CMR 2.00, 3.00 and 11.00