



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Division of Professional Licensure
BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS
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Board of State Examiners of Electricians Meeting

VENUE: 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA

Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 23, 2018

10:00 AM

Office: Conference Room 1D

MEETING CALLED BY:	BOARD MEMBERS
TYPE OF MEETING:	REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
CHAIR/MEMBER:	P. Senopoulous, Fire Marshal Designee, Chair
BOARD MEMBERS:	D. Edmonds, J. Colleary, E. Dorian, G. Condon III, J. Bagni, K. Guinee, T. Cunningham,
STAFF MEMBERS:	C. Kilb, A. Alfonso, R. Paris, T. Smith, M. Lewis,
ABSENT/Late Arrival:	S. LeVangie, P. Malagrifa, J. Sloane,

Agenda Topics

1. **MEETING COMES TO ORDER 10:04 AM**
2. **FIRE/EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS** – Richard Paris
3. **PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVED** – Motion by D. Edmonds Second by G. Condon Unanimously Approved
 - Open Session Review March 2018 Meeting Minutes
 - Executive Session Review March 2018 Executive Session Meeting Minutes
 - Quasi-Judicial Review No Session held in March
4. **REMINDER**
5. **FYI ITEMS**
 - a. E-Licensing – Electrical Unit will strive to be 100% eLicensing (paperless) by June 1, 2018 - [A. Alfonso Reported on Status](#)
Staff is working with our providers, gathering email addresses for all license holders. We must populate our data base by renewal cycle 2019. License holders will need to link their license on-line. They will require a Record identification Number and an Authorization Number from the board.
[T. Cunningham suggested that we add this information to the website in a standard letter and send a letter to the wire inspectors to post at building departments.](#)
 - b. Review status of corporate licenses and assigning more than one company to a master license – [T. Smith reported](#)
Staff noted that the master licenses for businesses are still being implemented in the e-licensing systems.
 - License numbers specific to businesses and not license holders is still in process for eLicensing and department. Meeting scheduled for early March 2018 to discuss how to proceed.
 - License holders assigned to more than one company is still in process for eLicensing and department. Meeting scheduled for early March 2018 to discuss how to proceed.
 - [We have begun the process of changing our data base. Staff is working with eLicensing presently.](#)

- c. Update regarding the licensing examination – A. Alfonso reported
 - i. Subject matter experts will be working with PSI to review and revise the exam questions for Journeyman and Master Electrician test.
 - 1. Exam questions have not been updated since 2009
 - 2. A. Alfonso will work with PSI to form a team of *Subject Matter Experts, SME*.
 - 3. This project is estimated to start June 2018
- Board would like to review the test results after last change in 2009 thru 2010
Everyone will have an opportunity to submit questions to the SME team.

- 6. **Report from New Hampshire Board of Electricians** April Meeting was attended by J. Sloan, J. Bagni, A. Alfonso
 - a. Peter Cicolini, Chairman will be attending our June 2018 BSEE meeting
 - b. Amendments to NH HB 1327 attached. Regarding Journeyman to Apprentice Ratio and 120 day licenses
 - c. Complaint to the board with regards to delivery men installing pig tails to large appliances.
 - d. NH Pass/Fail rate
 - e. Next Meeting scheduled for May 1, 2018 9:00AM BSEE Member are welcomed to attend.
- 7. **BOARD OF APPEALS (BEA):** *No Appeals in April*
- 8. **LICENSES BY RECIPROCITY:** Motion to accept by D. Edmonds Second by: K. Guinee Unanimously approved

Journeyman Electrician - B License

Name of Candidate:

Philip John Kinnane
David G, West
Dustie James Tyler
Max Donald Duquette
Richard Paul Pichette

Master Electrician - A License

Name of Candidate

9. CORPORATE LICENSE CHANGES

Removals Motion to accept by D. Edmonds Second by: J. Colleary Unanimously Approved

Individual	Type	Entity	Reason for removal	Complaints Pending Prosecution
Thomas Carl Adams	Master	Wellfleet Electric Ltd	“Per new regulations”	None
Michael H. Palmer	Master	Sunworks United, Inc.	Left Company	None
William Augustynski	Master	Mr. Response Electric	License Suspended	Yes
Albert C. Rinaldi	Master	JCR Plumbing & Electrical	Company Dissolved	Yes

Additions J. Bagni Recused himself. Motion to accept by D. Edmonds Second by T. Cunningham Unanimously Approved

Individual	Type	Entity	Prior Licensee	Complaints Pending Prosecution
Jeffrey Small	Master	Hydrus Control Solutions, Inc	None	None
Thomas C. Adams	Master	Wellfleet Electric Ltd	Same	None
Matthew Markham	Master	Tesla Energy Operations		None
John A. Bagni	Master	J.A. Bagni Electric, LLC		None
Mark Barillas	Master	Barillas Electrical Service, Inc		None
Kevin Sacco	Master	K. Sacco Electric, Inc.		None

10. LICENSE(S) ISSUED BY EXAM:

- ❖ February 2018 License Report included in meeting attachments

Licenses Issued: November Exams		
A	Master Electrician (8 Failed)	14
B	Journeyman Electrician (30 Failed)	54
C	System Contractor (3 Failed)	0
D	System Technician (10 Failed)	10

11. REPORTS – Candidates for License Exam:

- ❖ Pass/Fail Report(s) for April 2018 included in meeting attachments

12. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE –

P. Senopolous indicated to the Board that the legislature recently passed a crime bill that might have implications on the Board. Legal Counsel provided a summary. The bill in question, which was recently enacted by the Governor, requires licensing boards to specify crimes that would disqualify licensure applicants. Counsel noted that the implications of this requirement were still under discussion internally in the executive branch, however, the Board already has a CORI policy which might be compliant with these new requirements.

13. REPORT FROM THE CHIEF INVESTIGATOR – No report from Chief Investigator in April

14. REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL – Charles Kilb

INTERPRETATION SUBCOMMITTEE – Subcommittee meeting scheduled for May 15, 2018

PLANNING AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE – to review other states policies for licensing. A list of potential topics was created (no substantive discussion)

[Changes to the MGL](#)

[Regulations](#)

Sunset hours for apprentices

Valor Act policies

Journeyman to Apprentice ratio

Equal testing

What version of the NFPA 70 Code has each state adopted?

Request a representative from PSI to attend

[Subcommittee Members](#)

K. Guinee, Chairman

P. Malagrifa

J. Bagni

Goal

What works in other states?

Laws should be updated but we need knowledge to go to legislature.

Step 1:

Pool of questions (survey).

Share results with other states

CMR SUBCOMMITTEE

CMR Subcommittee to present changes to full board at June 2018 meeting

EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE – D. Edmonds will look to schedule a subcommittee meeting in June 2018

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION *(Closed to the Public, M.G.L. c. 30A, 21)*

11:52 AM Motion to enter by D. Edmonds Second by K. Guinee to enter Executive Session to discuss applicant's character, rather than competence. The Chair estimated that the Executive Session would take approximately one hour.

A roll call vote was then taken:

P. Senopoulous - yes; D. Edmonds - yes; S. LeVangie - yes; J. Colleary - yes; E. Dorian - yes; G. Condon III - yes; J. Bagni - yes; K. Guinee - yes; T. Cunningham - yes

1:35PM Motion to exit Executive session by D. Edmonds Second by J. Bagni All Approved

16. INVESTIGATIVE CONFERENCE *(Closed to the Public, M.G.L. c. 112A, 65C)*

1:35PM Motion to enter Investigative Session by D. Edmonds Second by J. Bagni

INVESTIGATIONS				
<u>DATE OPENED</u>	<u>DOCKET #</u>	<u>NAME OF COMPLAINANT</u>	<u>LICENSEE/RESPONDENT</u>	<u>ALLEGATIONS OF COMPLAINT</u>
03/01/2018	2018-000222-IT-ENF			
03/23/2018	2018-000315-IT-ENF			
02/27/2018	2018-000204-IT-ENF			
02/23/2018	2018-000179-IT-ENF			
03/23/2018	2018-000305-IT-ENF			

Prosecutor Settlements

2017-000265-IT-ENF

2017-000257-IT-ENF

2017-000733-IT-ENF

2017-000361-IT-ENF

2017-000385-IT-ENF

2016-000219-IT-ENF

After the settlement offer were presented, the Board reported providing settlement guidance to the prosecutors.

17. REPORT OF THE ELECTRICAL INVESTIGATOR – Richard Paris

18. QUASI-JUDICIAL SESSION *(Closed to Public)*

19. MATTERS NOT ANTICIPATED BY CHAIR T. Cunningham that there has been confusion regarding the testing requirements for Massachusetts licensees seeking a license from Rhode Island based on the way Massachusetts applies its requirements to applicants with Rhode Island credentials. C. Kilb noted that Rhode Island requires only 576 hours of education thus the Board historically required candidates take an additional 24 hours of education. A. Alfonso will contact the Rhode Island board to correct misunderstandings if any.

C. Kilb reminded the Board that it had previously sent letters to Rhode Island inquiring about licensure and continuing education reciprocity, however, Rhode Island never replied to these communications.

20. NEXT BSEE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR: *Monday, May 21, 2018 10:00AM – Westfield Vocational Technical High School*

21. MEETING ADJOURNED 2:50PM

Anticipated Board Meetings dates and locations for 2018:

<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
1/22/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
2/26/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
3/26/2018	Massachusetts Firefighting Academy 1 State Road Stow, MA
4/23/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
5/21/2018	Westfield Vocational Technical High School 33 Smith Avenue Westfield, MA
6/25/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
7/23/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
8/27/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
9/24/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
10/22/2018	Southeastern Regional Vocational High School 250 Foundry Route 106 South Easton, MA
11/26/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
12/17/2018	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA

Reasonable accommodations or modifications will be provided to individuals with disabilities to participate in the meeting taking place on the date listed above. All requests should be directed to Mrs. Cheryl Yebba by calling 617-727-3110 or TTY/TDD: 617-727-2099 by no later than a week prior to the meeting date. While the Board will attempt to honor all requests, those requests received less than a week prior to the meeting may not be provided due to feasibility.

INCLUDED IN MEETING NOTES:

- ❖ April 2018 Meeting Agenda
- ❖ March 2018 Meeting Minutes
- ❖ CMR Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
- ❖ March 2018 License Report(s)
- ❖ March 2018 Pass/Fail Report(s)
- ❖ Summary of Investigations
- ❖ Summary of Negotiated Settlements

BOARD MEMBERS:

Peter Senopoulos, Fire Marshal Designee – Chair
 John Bagni, MAVA Member
 James Colleary, Inspector of Wires Member
 George Condon III, Systems Technician Member
 Thomas Cunningham, Master Electrician Member
 Ellen Dorian, Public Member
 David Edmonds, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Designee, Clerk
 Kathleen Guinee, Systems Contractor Member, Vice Chair
 Stephen LeVangie, Electrical Contractor Member
 Paul J. Malagrifa, International Municipal Signal Association Member
 John M. Sloane, Journeyman Electrician Member

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Matt Markham
James Farrell, Candidate for Licensing
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Carolyn Madzar, Training Provider
Julie Keliher, GCL
Beth Bellew, MECA
Barbara A. Lagergren, Gould Construction Institute
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DEFINITIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS:

BEA – Board of Electrical Appeals
BFPR – Board of Fire Prevention Regulations
BSEE - Board of State Examiners of Electricians
CIB – Candidate Information Bulletin
CMR – Code of Massachusetts Regulations
Code – Massachusetts Electrical Code as currently promulgated in 527 CMR 12.00
DPL – Division of Professional Licensure
ED – Executive Director
eLicensing -
FYI – For your information
IAEI – International Association of Electrical Inspectors
I.B.E.W – International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
Inc. - Incorporated
IOW – Inspector of Wires
JATC – Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee
License – A – Master Electrician, B – Journeyman Electrician, C-System Technician, D- System Contractor
License by Reciprocity – By Reciprocity agreement with the State of New Hampshire if New Hampshire License was obtained through testing
LLC – **Limited Liability Corporation**
MA - Massachusetts
MECA – Massachusetts Electrical Contractors Association
MAVA – Massachusetts Association Vocational Administrators
MEIA – Municipal Electrical Inspector Association
M.G.L. – Massachusetts General Laws
M.S.C.A. – Massachusetts Systems Contractors Association, Inc.
NECA – National Electrical Contractors Association
NFPA – National Fire Protection Association
NH – New Hampshire
SJC of Massachusetts – Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts