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Board of Certification of Operators of Drinking Water Facilities

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD November 4, 2022

All board members and staff appeared by videoconference.

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Michael Maynard	Chairman	X	
Mr. William Salomaa	Vice Chairman	X	
Mr. Blake Lukis	Member	X	
Mr. Dave Coppes	Member	X	
Mr. Andrew Reid	Member		X
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member	X	
Mass. Labor Representative	Vacant		
STAFF	POSITION		
Lynn Read	Board Counsel	X	
Mary McCarthy-Collins	Executive Director	X	
Aashna Alim	Office Admin	X	

MEETING CALL TO ORDER: at 10:00 A.M.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

- October and November meeting minutes will be on the December Board meeting agenda

DOL UPDATE:

- Operator Recognition – Executive Director McCarthy-Collins reported that DOL supports a proclamation to be issued during Drinking Water Week in the Spring.
- Starting December 2022, the secure file sharing website Interchange will no longer be used. MOVEit will be its replacement.
- Executive Director McCarthy-Collins announced she will be leaving her current position
- Regulations 236 CMR 3.02, 4.07(3)-(4) and 4.08: A brief discussion was held of the draft 236 CMR 3.02, 4.07(3)-(4) and 4.08, and suggestions made for slight change to section 3.02. A MOTION to accept the draft as amended was made by Member Coppes, seconded by Member Salomaa. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Coppes, Lukis, Maynard, Salomaa in favor.



DISCUSSION:

- Ms. Jennifer Pederson presented MWWA Pass rates 2000-2021 based on data provided by the Board and compiled by Dan Laprade. Ms. Pederson is still looking for the data from 2015. It is not included in the chart. Member Coppes pointed out that passing rates have improved since the addition of the pre-requisite courses.

RECIPROCIITY: None received

TRAINING CONTACT HOUR APPLICATIONS:

Organization	Course	Course ID#	TCHs
Tata & Howard, Inc.	Emergency Response Plan Training	DWT-2022-64	7.0
SafeWater EDU	Backflow Basics of Potable Water Systems	Pending	1.0
AWWA/RCAP	Maintaining Compliance w/ SDWA	DWT-2022-65	6.0
At Your Pace Online	Corrosion Control	DWT-2022-66	1.0
At Your Pace Online	Distribution System Water Quality Issues	DWT-2022-67	1.0
At Your Pace Online	Electrical Safety (NFPA 70E 2021)	DWT-2022-68	6.0
At Your Pace Online	Groundwater Wells	DWT-2022-69	1.0
At Your Pace Online	Meters, Valves, and Hydrants	DWT-2022-70	1.0
At Your Pace Online	Piping Systems Part 1	DWT-2022-71	4.5
At Your Pace Online	Piping Systems Part 2	DWT-2022-72	4.5
At Your Pace Online	Pipelines	DWT-2022-73	1.0
At Your Pace Online	Pump Installation and Maintenance	DWT-2022-74	4.0
At Your Pace Online	Pumps and Motors	DWT-2022-75	1.0
At Your Pace Online	Source Water Issues and Pre-Treatment	DWT-2022-76	1.0
At Your Pace Online	Surface Water Treatment Plant Operations	DWT-2022-77	1.5
At Your Pace Online	Coagulation and Flocculation	DWT-2022-78	1.0
At Your Pace Online	Water Distribution System Operation Overview	DWT-2022-79	1.5
At Your Pace Online	Water Utility Management	DWT-2022-80	4.5
At Your Pace Online	Valve Maintenance and Piping System Protection	DWT-2022-81	4.0
NEWWA	IT & Asset Management Fair	DWT-2022-82	2.0
NEWWA	Water Resource Symposium	DWT-2022-83	6.0

TEMPORARY EMERGENCY CERTIFICATE & PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE STATUS (COVID-19):

Name of PWS	TEC #	Status
West Newbury Water Department	TEC #558	Approved
City of Malden	TEC #559	Approved

- Chair Maynard confirmed both TEC requests were approved and the Water Departments were notified of their status.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

ITEMS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY BOARD: None

APPLICATION REVIEW:

Last Name	First Name	Applying for	Outcome
Rice	Leon	D3-Full	Approved
Furman	Paul	T2-Full upgrade	Approved
Bayani	Benjamin	T1-Full upgrade	Denied
Squires	Jeffrey	T2-Full upgrade	Approved
Irizarry	Michael	T1-Full upgrade	Approved
O'Neal	Justin	T3-Full upgrade	Approved
Aaronson	Zachary	D4-Full (Reciprocity)	Approved
Harback	Kurt	T1-Full	Approved
Saunders	Brian	T2-Full	Approved
Greeley	Michael	D4-Full	Approved
Johnson	Mark	D4-Full	Approved
St. Louis	Gregory	D4-Full	Approved
Romanowicz	Nicholas	D1-Full	Approved
Zeneski	Kevin	T2-Full	Approved
Romanowicz	Nicholas	T1-Full	Approved
Perez	Isabel	T1-Full	Approved for OIT
Pizzimenti	Anthony	D1-Full	Approved
Williams	Scott	T2-Full upgrade	Approved
Mullen	David	T2-Full	Approved
Plourde	Paul	D3-Full	Approved
Marot	Braydon	T4-Full upgrade	Denied
Abbondanzio	Michael	D4-Full	Approved for D3-Full
Kenney	Joseph	T3-Full	Approved for OIT
Benfeito	Daniel	T4-Full upgrade	Approved
Robideau	Derrick	D2-Full upgrade	Approved
Johnston	Jeremy	T3-Full	Approved
Miller	Steven	D2-Full	Approved
Pekkinen	Brian	D2-Full	Approved
Macaruso	Daniel	T2-Full	Approved for OIT
Sullivan	James	D1-Full	Approved
Peraino	John	D1-Full upgrade	Approved
Bergquist	Robert	D2-Full upgrade	Approved
Bergquist	Robert	T1-Full upgrade	Approved
Cetina	Luis	D2-Full upgrade	Approved
Neville	Michael	D4-Full upgrade	Approved
Retzky	Michael	D1-Full	Approved

*Member Coppes recuses himself from any MWRA license applications.

**Member Lukis recuses himself from any Dedham-Westwood Water District license applications

***Member Reid recuses himself from any Chelmsford Water District license applications.

A MOTION was made by Member Alfasso and seconded by Member Coppes to approve licenses indicated in the above chart. Roll Call Board Vote: – Unanimous – Alfasso, Coppes, Lukis, Maynard, Salomaa in favor.

Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn was made by Member Salomaa and seconded by Member Coppes. Roll Call Vote – Unanimous — Alfasso, Coppes, Lukis, Maynard, Salomaa in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at or around 11:04 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Michael J Maynard

Michael J. Maynard, Chair
Board of Drinking Water & Supply Facility Operators

Documents Used in Meeting:

Agenda for November 4, 2022

236 CMR 3.02; 236 CMR 4.07-4.08.

MA Water Operator Passing Rates

State of Maine - Proclamation Professional Water and Wastewater Operator Appreciation Day