

MINUTES

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

JANUARY 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairperson Robert Barrieau at 9:03 a.m. on January 7, 2016 in Room 117 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present:

Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson	Unlimited Contractor
David G. Foster	Unlimited/General Contractor
Michael Rosario	Unlimited Journeyperson
Cameron G. Champlin, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyperson
Philip H. Benoit	Sheet Metal Journeyperson

Members Absent:

Thomas F. Casey, Jr.	Unlimited Contractor
John T. Higgins, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyperson

Board Vacancies:

Four Public Members, Sheet Metal Contractor

DCP Board Staff Present:

Richard M. Hurlburt, Director
Karen Layman, Board Secretary

Others present:

Paul Femia, Dept. of Labor
Jay More, Local Union 777
Steven Gronski
Stephen Reinhart
Rafael Herrera

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board reviewed and approved the draft minutes from the December 17, 2015 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

APPEARING FOR GUIDANCE:

Jamie Gonzalez, Bridgeport, CT

Mr. Gonzalez did not appear at today's meeting.

APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW ADDED TO AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:

William Bragiel, Granby, MA – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Bragiel's (S-1) application due to lack of (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license for the required two year period, and lack of apprenticeship completion, related instruction, and on the job training, as required.

John Henderson, Virginia Beach, VA – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Henderson's (S-1) application due to lack of (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license for the required two year period and lack of information regarding scope of work for out-of-state license.

Brian Karwowski, Middletown, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Karwowski's (S-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion, related instruction, and on the job training, as required.

Shawn Keeley, Chicopee, MA – (S-4) Limited Journeyperson – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Keeley's (S-4) Limited Journeyperson application.

Jose Mendez, Manchester, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Mendez's (D-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion, related instruction, and on the job training, as required.

Korey Paul, West Warwick, RI – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Paul's (S-2) application due to lack of equivalent out-of-state license and lack of apprenticeship completion, related instruction, and on the job training, as required.

Stephen Reinhart, Hopkinton, RI – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

Mr. Reinhart appeared for discussion regarding his (S-2) application and credentials with the Board. After a lengthy discussion, the Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Reinhart's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion.

Jeremy Ward, Granby, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Ward's (S-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion, related instruction, and on the job training, as required.

APPLICATIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION ADDED TO AGENDA BY BOARD

VOTE:

Elton Liku, New Rochelle, NY – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied

Mr. Liku submitted additional documentation for reconsideration of his application. After a review of the documents, the Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Liku's (S-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion, related instruction, and on the job training, as required.

Steven Gronski, Cranston, RI – (S-4) Limited Journeyperson – Approved with change in category

Mr. Gronski appeared for reconsideration of his application and submitted additional documentation. After discussion with the Board, Mr. Gronski chose to change the category of his application from (S-3) to (S-4). The Board voted unanimously to approve the (S-4) application. In addition, the Board voted unanimously to waive the two-year waiting period and approve for the (S-3) examination immediately upon passage of the (S-4) examination and without further board approval.

Steven Gronski, Cranston, RI – (S-3) Limited Contractor – Approved with change in category

Mr. Gronski appeared for reconsideration of his application and submitted additional documentation. After discussion with the Board, Mr. Gronski chose to change the category of his application from (BM-1) to (S-3). The Board voted unanimously to allow him to sit for the (S-3) examination immediately upon passage of the (S-4) examination and without further board approval.

Rafael Herrera Real, Pomfret Center, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – Approved with change in category

Mr. Herrera appeared for reconsideration of his application. After discussion with the Board, Mr. Herrera chose to change the category of his application from (S-2) to (D-2). The Board voted unanimously to approve the (D-2) application.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

DCP TRADE PRACTICES DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

1. The Board reviewed a complaint report submitted by the DCP Trade Practices Division dated January 6, 2016 consisting of closed cases.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
Board Secretary

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE:

***All 2016 meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m.**

- February 4, 2016
- March 3, 2016
- April 7, 2016
- May 5, 2016
- June 2, 2016
- July 7, 2016
- August 4, 2016
- September 1, 2016
- October 6, 2016
- November 3, 2016
- December 1, 2016

Meetings held at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, Room 117