ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

-MINUTES-

NOVEMBER 13, 2015

November 13, 2015 was called to order by Chairman Larry Vallieres at 8:37 AM in Room 126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: Ronald Bish, Unlimited Contractor

Faith Gavin-Kuhn, Public Member Bruce A. Silva, Unlimited Journeyman David Munsill, Unlimited Journeyman Anthony Soter, Unlimited Journeyman

Laurence A. Vallieres, Unlimited Contractor, Chairman

John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician

Members Absent: None

Member Vacancies: One (1) Non-Union Unlimited Contractor

One (1) Union Unlimited Journeyman

Three (3) Public Members

DCP Board Staff: Robert M. Kuzmich, Department of Consumer Protection

Richard M. Hurlburt, Department of Consumer Protection

Others Present: Donald S. Kores, Eagle Electric Inc.

Robert Woytowich

Keri Lamontagne, Connecticut Department of Labor

Todd Mottshaw, JBJ Electric Brian Varney, Collins Electric

Paul Costello, LATC 90

Danny Haselton, IBEW, Collins Electric

David Johnston, 31 Solar LLC

Slawomoir Kozikowski, Industrial Tech Service

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1.8:30 AM call to order.

Chairman Mr. Larry Vallieres called the meeting to order at 8:37 AM.

2. Review Minutes of Previous Meeting: October 9, 2015.

After a thorough review by all, the Board voted to approve the minutes as submitted. (Bish/Soter)

3. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

There were no requests to speak from anyone present at today's meeting.

4. <u>DCP Trade Practices Division Complaint Status Report</u>; review of complaint report submitted by the DCP Trade Practices Division including open, closed, and dismissed cases for review by the Board. Mr. Kuzmich stated that he did not receive a report from the Trade Practices Division.

5. Request to Appear before the Board;

(1) <u>Johnston, David B.</u> – PV-2 license holder seeking approval from the Board to waive the required two year waiting period to sit for the PV-1 examination. The applicant changed his application type from a PV-1 to a PV-2 at the suggestion of the Board at their meeting held April 10, 2015. Applicant passed the PV-2 License Examination on September 23, 2015.

Mr. Johnston is, again, appearing before the Board to appeal the Board's requirement to hold the Journeyperson's PV-2 license for the requisite two years prior to applying for the PV-1 license examination. Mr. Johnston cited various areas of statutes, regulations, and applications forms which cite equivalent experience and training may be substituted for holding the Journeyperson's license for two years. In response, Mr. Bish stated that the Board has previously determined at their last meeting that the

applicant's experience and training is not adequate and will not be substituted for the two years of journeymen licensure.

The Board then discussed the applicant's related classroom instruction and work experience (on-the-job training). It was noted that these areas were not adequately documented based upon what the Board was given at today's meeting. Mr. Vallieres gave Mr. Johnston the opportunity to come before the Board in the future to present the Board with this documentation.

Mr. Hurlburt was then asked to give the Board a history of the PV-1 license type which he did. Mr. Soter stated that in light of Mr. Hurlburt's information, the applicant knew of the requirement for obtaining the PV-1 Contactor license type and had adequate time to act upon this but did not. The Board, once more, gave Mr. Johnston suggestions as alternate plans to run his business by hiring the appropriate subcontractors; however, he maintained his position to request the appeal. As such, the Board, again, cited no legitimate hardship demonstrated before them today and voted, unanimously, to deny his appeal to waive the required two year waiting period to sit for the PV-1 examination. (Bish/Soter)

- (2) <u>Boyer, Frank</u> regarding questions on electrical licensing. Mr. Boyer was not present at this meeting.
- (3) <u>At Your Pace Online, LLC</u> Company Representative to address Board regarding their 2016 CE Submission. There was no representative present at today's meeting.
- **6. Review of Applications(s) for Licensure Examination:** applicant(s) appearing in person.

Mr. Vallieres advised all in attendance at today's meeting of the Board general rules and guidelines as they apply to applicants appearing before them for consideration to sit for their respective license examinations. He made reference to the document sent to all applicants by the Department which details specific information the Board is expecting from the applicants in support of their equivalent experience and training in addition to other more general information.

In addition, Mr. Vallieres also made reference to the Board's Outline for Journeypersons which gives the specific hours for related classroom instruction including course curriculums and the required on-the-job training hours for each license type.

(1) <u>Costanzo, Steven C.</u> – E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at today's meeting as previously requested. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.

- (2) <u>Curran, Michael A.</u> C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. Mr. Curran e-mailed the Department on 11-03-2015 canceling his appearance before the Board. Therefore, the Board took no action on his application.
- (3) <u>Haselton, Danny J.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table this application at today's meeting based upon a lack of 360 hours of related classroom instruction, OSHA 30 Certification, and a notarized, detailed breakdown of the applicant's work history from his employer. (Soter/Bish)
- (4) <u>Keiser, Richard G.</u> PV-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at today's meeting as previously requested. Therefore, the Board took no action on this application.
- (5) <u>Kores, Donald S.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table this application at today's meeting based upon a more detailed breakdown of applicant's on-the-job training hours, a diploma from his vocational-technical high school, OSHA 30 Certification, and a course curriculum from his out-of-state community college. (Soter/Gavin-Kuhn)
- (6) <u>Kozikowski, Slawomir</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to table this application at today's meeting based upon a lack of 120 hours of related classroom instruction, OSHA 30 Certification, and a course comparison compiled by the Connecticut Department of Education of the applicant's current related classroom instruction. (Soter/Yusza)
- (7) <u>Varney, Brian M.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve this application at today's meeting subject to receipt by the Department of a detailed breakdown of the applicant's work history from his employer and OSHA 30 Certification. (Soter/Yusza)

The Board voted to add the following individuals to today's agenda:

(8) <u>Mottshaw, Todd</u> - E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The applicant was not present at the Board's October 9, 2015 meeting as previously requested. Therefore, no action was taken on this application.

The Board voted unanimously to table this application at today's meeting based upon a lack of related classroom instruction, OSHA 30 Certification, and a course comparison compiled by the Connecticut Department of Education of the applicant's current related classroom instruction. (Soter/Silva)

6A. First Review of Application(s) for Licensure Examination - Applicants Not Appearing before Board.

With Apprenticeship Completion Letters:

The Board voted, unanimously, to approve the applicants listed below (including addons), except as otherwise noted, to sit for their respective examinations on the basis of a Certified Apprenticeship Completion Letter from the Connecticut Department of Labor or other Board-Approved Agency. (Bish/Soter)

- (1) <u>Alickolli, Rineldi</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (2) <u>Bellman, Jericho D.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (3) <u>Cavallaro, IV, Joseph</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (4) <u>Ciarleglio, Marc A.</u> –E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (5) <u>Coggshall, John R.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (6) <u>Crager, David T.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (7) <u>Danna, Jr., Thomas A.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (8) <u>Foley, Ryan C.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (9) <u>Holley, Robert C.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (10) <u>Jacabacci</u>, <u>Nicholas W.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (11) <u>Julian, Edward J.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

- (12) <u>Leno, II, Anthony</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (13) <u>Lopez, Zeff</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (14) <u>Moreno, Leiana N.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship sponsored by Local Union #3 (New York City) of the I.B.E.W.
- (15) <u>Nagle, Timothy J.</u> T-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (16) <u>Oliver, Christopher M.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (17) <u>Pelletier, Michael J.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.
- (18) <u>Veres, Gyorgy</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of Certified Apprenticeship Completion w/Letter.

On The Basis of Equivalent Experience and Training:

The Board voted, unanimously, to require the applicants listed below, except as otherwise noted, (including add-ons) to appear before them at their December 11, 2015 Regular Meeting for review of their applications to test for their respective license types. Mr. Kuzmich will mail back their original applications in addition to Board Meeting date information and information regarding education and on-the-job training for Journeyperson license types. (Soter/Bish)

- (1) <u>Anderson, Bryan R.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (2) <u>Delli Carpini, James M.</u> C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (3) <u>Gray, Paul M.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (4) <u>**Iagrossi, Charles J.**</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

- (5) <u>Ivins, Richard A.</u> PV-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (6) <u>Lehr, Christopher M.</u> E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (7) <u>Lemay, Mathieu E.</u> E-1 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (8) <u>McMahan, Brian E.</u> C-6 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (9) <u>Robinson, Jr., Robert D.</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training. The Board voted unanimously to approve this applicant for his respective examination type at today's meeting. (Soter/Silva)
- (10) **Rochon, Donald M.** C-5 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (11) **Rodriguez, Jose M.** E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.
- (12) <u>Sparano, Daniel</u> E-2 applicant seeking approval on the basis of equivalent experience and training.

7. Review of Correspondence:

- (A) Evaluation Forms For Continuing Education Course; for the Board's review and information. The Board acknowledged receipt of this information. It was decided by the Board to notify all continuing education providers that going forward, evaluation forms shall be made available to all participants on site and that the students have the option of either completing or not completing the form
- (B) Letter dated October 19, 2015 from Mr. Dean Sotirakopoulos, Chief Electrical Inspector State of New Hampshire, concerning reciprocal licensing; for action by the Board. Mr. Vallieres noted that based upon the Board's review of New Hampshire's regulations; specifically the on-the-job-training hours and school related instruction, it was determined that they are not equivalent to those of the State of Connecticut's. Mr. Kuzmich will inform Mr. Sotirakopoulos of the Board's decision in writing.
- (C) Article from the Richfield County Times regarding Commercial Wind Farms; for the Board's information. The Board acknowledged receipt of this information.

(D) Department of Consumer Protection's 2016 Schedule for Board, Commission, and Council Meetings; for the Board's information. The Board asked that their meeting start time be changed back from the proposed 9:00 AM to 8:30 AM. The Department agreed and will revise the meeting schedule to reflect this change.

8. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

There were no requests to speak from anyone present at today's meeting.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:27 AM. (Soter/Bish) The next Regular Meeting of the Electrical Work Examining Board is scheduled for Friday, December 11, 2015 at 8:30 AM; State Office Building; Room 126; 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert M. Kuzmich, R.A. License and Applications Specialist