STATE OF CONNECTICUT

ELECTRICAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

-MINUTES-

JANUARY 12, 2018

The Regular Meeting of January 12, 2018 was held in the Department of Consumer Protection - North Building, Hearing Room J, 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, Connecticut 06103.

Members Present:	Ronald Bish, Unlimited Contractor Peter L. Jennings, Unlimited Contractor Anthony Soter, Unlimited Journeyman Laurence A. Vallieres, Unlimited Contractor, Chairman Robert Woytowich, Unlimited Journeyman John W. Yusza, Electronic Technician	
Members Absent:	Bruce A. Silva, Unlimited Journeyman	
Member Vacancies:	One (1) Unlimited Journeyman Three (3) Public Members	
DCP Board Staff:	Robert M. Kuzmich John Neumon	, License/Applications Specialist, DCP Director, Investigations, DCP
Others Present:	Marcie Addy Paul Costello	Construction Education Center IBEW - JATC 90

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1. Call to order.

Chairman Mr. Larry Vallieres called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM.

2. Review Minutes of Previous Meetings: December 8, 2017.

The Board voted to approve the minutes as submitted. (Bish/Yusza)

3. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

None.

4. DCP Investigation Division Complaint Status Report;

(1) Mr. Neumon addressed questions from the Board regarding specific complaints listed on the report. The Board asked Mr. Neumon to provide them with a copy of a "standard" Assurance of Voluntary Compliance (AVC) for further discussion at their next Board meeting.

(2). Investigation Division Complaints:

- (A) Review of Case Number 2015-315
- (B) Review of Case Number 2017-209
- (C) Review of Case Number 2017-233

Mr. Neumon reviewed the details of each of the above listed complaints with the Board. The complaints involved a service change without permit (2017-209), failure to display license number(s) (2017-233), and an unpaid AVC involving an individual with a lapsed L-6 license (2015-315). The Board asked Mr. Neumon for any new information as to the status of this lapsed license holder and offered to provide their assistance if necessary. Mr. Neumon will get back to the Board with any new information.

5. Old Business:

None.

6. New Business:

(A) Permit Requirement State of Connecticut Code Section R105.1.1.

(1) Add Chapter 393 with Chapter 400 that currently exists in Section R105.1.1.

It was noted that adding contractors licensed under Chapter 393 to this Section will require extensive changes in language since there are many references to the State Building Code. Mr. Costello stated for the Board's information that there is an upcoming Public Hearing regarding the new Building Code scheduled for January 24, 2018. In conclusion, Mr. Vallieres will contact the Department directly for more discussion on this item

(B) Continued Education: Discussion regarding licensee attending proper CE class.

Mr. Vallieres stated that he has received questions from Continuing Education (CE) providers regarding limited license holders taking CE classes for unlimited license types. In response, Mr. Vallieres will provide the Department with a written clarification that he would like sent to all approved providers and licensees.

The document will note that approved 2018 Electrical Continued Education Providers may only provide 2018 Continued Education Classes for those license categories for which they have been approved.

The Board voted unanimously to approve the content of a draft letter and to have the Department send this information to all continuing education providers and licensees. (Soter/Jennings)

(C) Discussion regarding changes to any Statute or Regulation that affects the Electrical Work Examining Board.

The Board asked that the Department notify them, in advance, of any such changes to statutes and/or regulations that affect this Board.

The Board voted to add the following items under "<u>New Business</u>" to today's meeting agenda:

(1) Application from Candels Estimating Training for Occupational Trades Education for Continuing Education Providers for 2018.

(2) The Board reviewed their <u>2018 CT Continuing Education Course for CT Electricians</u> and voted unanimously to approve the same. (Soter/Yusza)

(3) Ms. Marcie Addy representing Construction Education Center (an approved 2018 continuing education provider) addressed the Board. She requested the addition of two additional CE classes scheduled for March 10, 2018 and May 19, 2018 at the Maron Hotel & Suites in Danbury, Connecticut. She gave the Board copies of the Fire Marshal Certificates for this location. The Board voted unanimously to approve these additional classes. The Board also stated to Ms. Addy their requirement of no alcohol being served at these events.

(4) Mr. Vallieres requested an update from the Department's Legal Department regarding a Consent Agreement presented to the Board at their December 8, 2017 meeting by Ms. Paulette Annon.

In this agreement, the respondent had agreed to voluntarily surrender his unlimited electrical license immediately and cease and desist from practicing and offering to practice his services as an unlimited electrical contractor until such time that his license is reinstated. The Board voted, unanimously, that the respondent must first re-take the E-1 license examination before he can reapply for reinstatement because his license has lapsed more than two years

(5) The Board asked that the Department audit all electrical licensees who have not completed their continuing education requisite for the 2016-2017 license period.

(6) Mr. Woytowich contacted Mr. John DeRosa, Jr., Chairman of the <u>Elevator</u> <u>Installation, Repair and Maintenance Work Examining Board</u> regarding discussion of electrical work associated with elevator installations and whether or not this work should be done only by electricians. Mr. Woytowich noted that Mr. DeRosa's stated that his schedule is hectic and that he will get back to Mr. Woytowich with a date of when he can meet with the Board.

7. Comments or Concerns of any Person Present Today:

There were no further comments from anyone present.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM. (Soter/Bish)

Respectfully Submitted,

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

Upcoming Electrical Board Meeting Dates:

March 9, 2018 May 11, 2018 July 13, 2018 September 7, 2018 November 9, 2018

Meetings take place at the Department of Consumer Protection, 450 Columbus Boulevard, North Building, Hearing Room J, Hartford, CT, 06103 beginning at 8:30 AM.