MINUTES

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

AUGUST 4, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson at 9:35 a.m. in Room-126 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert H. Barrieau, Unlimited Contractor, Acting Chairperson

David G. Foster, Unlimited Contractor / General Contractor

Cameron G. Champlin, Jr., Unlimited Journeyperson

Michael Rosario, Unlimited Journeyperson John T. Higgins, Jr., Unlimited Journeyperson

Philip H. Benoit, Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson

Christopher M. Dupuis, Public Member Philip Kent, Esquire, Public Member Barbara Riotte, Public Member

Members Absent: Thomas F. Casey, Jr., Unlimited Contractor

Patrick Duane, Limited Sheet Metal Contractor

Mario DiNatale, Public Member

Board Vacancies: None

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon

Public Present: Dan Cassone David Flood, I

Blake Forster
Waleed Alrukaibawi
Scott Clausen
Rick O'Brien
Angelo Depamthilis

Brien Welff
Laurence Conlon
Jamie Genovese
Dustin Flagge
Scott Fahlbeck
Mike Ponticello
Scott Vannagiana

Brian Wolff Scott Vaspasiano

Adam Grieve Chris Hall

Joseph O'Brien
David DeMarco, Jr.
David Flood, II

Note: The administrative functions of this Board are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the June 2, 2010 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting.

APPLICATIONS

Aaron K. Arcano, Sherman, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – No Action Mr. Arcano did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Daniel R. Cassone, Naugatuck, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson – Approved The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Cassone's application.

Scott R. Clausen, Cheshire, CT - (S-1) Unlimited Contractor - Denied

Mr. Clausen has held an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license since 12/4/09. Mr. Clausen is requesting waiver of the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson. The Board denied waiver of two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson at their 4/7/10 meeting based on a non-qualifying hardship. The Board again tabled Mr. Clausen's application at their 6/2/10 meeting, subject to receipt and review of Mr. Clausen's written hardship request.

After further review of Mr. Clausen's application at today's meeting, the Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Clausen's application due to lack of a required (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years and lack of a bona fide qualifying hardship for waiver of the two year requirement as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson.

Robert Demarco, Lindenhurst, NY – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – No Action Mr. DeMarco did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Angelo Depamthilis, East Granby, CT – (S-7) Limited Contractor – Approved (S-8) Mr. Depamthilis changed his license category to (S-8) Limited Journeyperson and the Board voted (5-3) to approve his (S-8) Limited Journeyperson application.

Scott Fahlbeck, Orange, MA – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – Approved The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Fahlbeck's application.

Vincent M. Ferrara, Stormville, NY – (S-7) Limited Contractor – Approved (S-8)

Mr. Ferrara changed his license category to (S-8) Limited Journeyperson and the Board voted unanimously to approve his (S-8) Limited Journeyperson application. If he passes the (S-8) Limited Journeyperson examination, he may apply and sit for the (S-7) Limited Contractor examination.

Dustin K. Flagge, Durham, CT – (B-2) Limited Journeyperson – Withdrawn Mr. Dustin withdrew his application for future filing.

Dustin K. Flagge, Durham, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – Withdrawn Mr. Dustin withdrew his application for future filing.

David Flood, Northford, CT – (S-10) Limited Journeyperson – Approved The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Flood's application.

Blake B. Forster, Clinton, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Denied The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Forster's application due to lack of a required "Letter of Apprenticeship Completion" certificate.

Daniel J. Garcia, Hope Valley, RI – (S-9) Limited Contractor – No Action Mr. Garcia did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Jamie L. Genovese, Orange, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved (S-8) Mr. Genovese changed his license category to (S-8) Limited Journeyperson and the Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Genovese's (S-8) Limited Journeyperson application.

Jason P. Grivois, Tolland, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – No Action Mr. Grivois did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Scott M. Grodsky, Springfield, MA – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved (S-2)

The Board voted to deny Mr. Grodsky's (S-1) Unlimited Contractor application due lack of a required (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license for a minimum of two years. Mr. Rosario abstained from voting. Mr. Grodsky changed his license category to (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson and the Board voted to approve his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson application, contingent upon proof of his CFC certification. Mr. Rosario abstained from voting.

Chris Hall, Norwalk, CT – (S-8) Limited Journeyperson – Withdrawn Mr. Hall withdrew his application for future filing.

William Hatfield, Hendersonville, TN – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – No Action Mr. Hatfield did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Bryan D. Laitinen, East Hartford, CT - (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson - No Action Mr. Laitinen did not appear today and the Board took no action.

David O. Lavigne, East Hartford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – No Action Mr. Lavigne did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Richard S. O'Brien, Jr., Derby, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – DeniedThe Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. O'Brien's application due to lack of a required "Letter of Apprenticeship Completion" certificate.

Kenneth T. Pignone, West Simsbury, CT – (S-3) Limited Contractor – No Action
The Board approved Mr. Pignone to sit for his (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson license exam at their 9/24/09 meeting. Mr. Pignone would like to change the license category to an (S-3) Limited Contractor. Mr. Pignone currently holds an (S-7) Limited Contractor license since 2/24/09 and a (P-1) Unlimited Contractor license since 5/15/07.

Mr. Pignone did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Michael J. Ponticello, Stamford, CT – (S-9) Limited Contractor – Denied

Mr. Ponticello withdrew his application at the Board's 6/2/10 meeting for re-submission at a later date with appropriate work and school credentials for consideration of equivalent experience and training.

After further review of Mr. Ponticello's application at today's meeting, the Board voted unanimously to deny his application due to lack of a required "Letter of Apprenticeship Completion" certificate.

Jason N. Rogers, Cos Cob, CT – (S-3) Limited Contractor – No Action Mr. Rogers did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Gerald Thibodeau, Oakdale, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – No Action Mr. Thibodeau did not appear today and the Board took no action.

Scott R. Vaspasiano, N. Branford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Approved The Board approved Mr. Vaspasiano to sit for the (S-4) Limited Journeyperson license exam at their 6/2/10 meeting.

After further review of Mr. Vaspasiano's application at today's meeting, the Board voted unanimously to approve his application, contingent upon proof of his CFC certification.

LATE ARRIVING APPLICATIONS

(The Board voted unanimously to review the following late arriving applications:)

Waleed S. Alrukaibawi, Ashford, CT – (S-10) Limited Journeyperson – Approved (D-2) Mr. Alrukaibawi changed his license category to (D-2) Limited Journeyperson and the Board voted unanimously to approve his (D-2) Limited Journeyperson application.

Laurence E. Conlon, IV, Westport, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson – Tabled

The Board voted unanimously to table Mr. Conlon's application, contingent upon receipt and review of a letter of good standing from his respective union (Local 30) verifying his occupational related experience and school related instruction experience during his time served with the union.

David Demarco, Dayville, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyperson – Tabled

The Board voted unanimously to table Mr. Demarco's application, contingent upon verification of his apprenticeship registration time with CT Department of Labor Apprenticeship Division as an (S-4) Limited Journeyperson.

Adam D. Grieve, Vernon, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson – Withdrawn Mr. Grieve withdrew his application for lack of unregistered time as an (S-2) Unlimited Journeyperson apprentice. Mr. Grieve currently holds a (D-2) Limited Journeyperson license since 2005.

REQUESTING REINSTATEMENT OF LAPSED LICENSE

Joseph M. O'Brien, East Hampton, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyperson (Lapsed 8/31/08) The Board voted unanimously to deny reinstatement of Mr. O'Brien's license and is requiring him to re-apply and re-test for his license.

Christopher R. Bukowski, Stratford, CT – (D-1) Limited Contractor (Lapsed 8/31/08)
The Board voted unanimously to deny reinstatement of Mr. Bukowski's license and is requiring him to re-apply and re-test for his license.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board voted unanimously to request that DCP Trade Enforcement Division investigate all applications viewed by the Board at today's meeting concerning apprenticeship registration violations, and a follow-up report provided to the Board at their next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 6, 2010.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Nelson Leon Board Secretary
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