

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

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MINUTES

State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals

Regular Meeting – June 13, 2024

A. Call to Order and Sign-In

A regular meeting of the State Board of Examiners of Environmental Professionals ("the Board") was called to order on Thursday, June 13, 2024, at 9:30 AM in-person and via Zoom conference call, by Acting Chair and Board Administrator Elizabeth McAuliffe. Board members including J. Adams, D. Fiereck, R. Good, L. Muratore, R. Dirienzo, D. Wolfram and M. Gamache were present via Zoom. Lori DiBella from the Attorney General's Office representing the Board was present via Zoom. Dan Nelson representing EPOC and Selena Thornhill-Moody from DEEP were present via Zoom. Doug Miller from Tighe & Bond and Ben Caswell from Eversource were also present as members of the public via Zoom.

B. Reading and Approval of the Minutes

The draft minutes of the Regular Board meeting of May 9, 2024, were read and approved; motion by R. Dirienzo, seconded by M. Gamache, passed unanimously.

C. Public Participation

Mr. Nelson indicated that DEEP had participated in a 2-hour training session for the previously released draft RBCR's. He asked that DEEP staff again pair with EPOC to produce another seminar when the official draft regulations are issued later this summer and hoped that the Board would consider the session for CECs.

He also asked if there were any problems reported with the administration of the exam. Acting Chair McAuliffe reported no issues were reported. At one site where two applicants were taking the exam they asked for a sheet of formulas. Acting Chair McAuliffe responded that all formulas provided for the exam were contained within the electronic copy of the RSRs provided.

D. Unfinished Business and General Orders

- 1. Update on Exam Administered on May 16, 2024.
 - a. 22 applicants sat for the exam. Acting Chair McAuliffe reported that Board members D. Fiereck and D. Wolfram had reviewed statistically flagged questions and she had let the vender know the results of the review. The vender had yet to provide a list of applicants that achieved a passing score. She anticipated receipt of this information within a week and would let applicants know the exam results ASAP.

- 2. Renewal applications
 - a. To date 310 renewals have been issued.
 - b. Five individuals have indicated they will submit their renewal applications this week and pay the additional fees.
 - c. Five not renewing Mark Lovejoy, Mike Marley, Kathleen Slimon, Nick Tsacoyannis, and Rachel Rosen
 - d. Two licensees have not responded, and Acting Chair McAuliffe reported she does not have current contact information for them. They are Robert Sernoffsky and Jane Witherell

E. <u>New Business</u>

Course Approvals

- 1. Acting Chair McAuliffe requested that two board members step down to review two complaints alleging violations of RCSA Sec. 22a-133v-6 (c) professional competence and (d) professional conduct. The allegations include:
 - a. Ground water quality samples may have been altered and submitted to DEEP.
 - b. Data relating to consumptive water diversion general permit may have been altered and submitted to DEEP.

Board members R. Dirienzo and D. Fiereck volunteered to step down and review the complaint. R. Good indicated that if either member had a conflict, he would be available to assist.

- 2. Request from South Atlantic Well Drillers for a conference titled, "South Atlantic JUBILEE" to be given July 27-29, 2024 for 9.5 CECs. On a motion by J. Adams, seconded by D. Wolfram, to deny credit, passed unanimously. It was determined that the content was inconsistent with the regulatory requirements.
- 3. Acting Chair McAuliffe reported that Pacelabs had requested a conversion of CTLEP–522 a 2 CECs webinar to a distance learning on-demand course titled, "Perimeter Air Monitoring Webinar." The course was originally approved by the Board on March 11, 2021. Pacelabs acquired Alpha Analytical the original sponsor. Alpha Analytical was approved as a provider for distance learning on-demand courses on July 14, 2022. The Board requested that Pacelabs submit the Sponsorship paperwork under the new ownership for consideration.
- 4. Request from LEP Eric Boswell to reconsider a live webinar course titled, "Introduction to Dredging and Dredged Material Management" given April 18, 2024 for 3.0 CECs. On a motion by D. Wolfram, seconded by D. Fiereck, to deny credit, passed unanimously. The webinar did not have two hours of content.

Additional Information

Next meeting is July 11, 2024, at 9:30AM.

F. Adjournment

On a motion by R. Dirienzo, seconded by R. Good, Acting Chair McAuliffe declared the meeting adjourned at 9:52 AM.

Minutes were approved on July 11, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Adams Board Secretary