The Board of Examiners of Electrologists held a meeting on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in the 3^{rd} Floor Conference Room "C".

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT	Tatiana Eirmann, Esq., Chairperson Jan O'Neil, CPE
	Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd
BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT	Alicia Zalka, MD
	Arlene Romajas, LPN, CPE
ALSO PRESENT:	Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison
	Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH
	Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, DPH
	Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst, DPH
	Janine Cordero, License and Applications Specialist, DPH
	Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer, DPH
	Chris Andresen, Section Chief, DPH
	Stephen Carragher, Health Program Manager, DPH

Ms. Eirmann called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

I. <u>MINUTES</u>

The board reviewed the minutes from November 16, 2016. Ms. O'Neil made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Scranton-Lloyd to approve the minutes. The motion was passed unanimously.

II. CHAIR UPDATE

No updates.

III. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, reported that there are no new investigations at this time.

B. Examination Update

Deb Brown, Health Program Assistant, reported that one (1) new candidate is scheduled to take the written and practical examinations. When the date of the next examination has been determined Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst, will advise the Board.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. <u>Electrology Institute of New England (EINE)</u>

Janine Cordero, License and Applications Specialist, reported that the EINE final exams are given on site after 600 hours.

B. <u>American Electrology Association (AEA)/International Board of Electrologist</u> <u>Certification (IBEC)</u>

- 1. The Board continued the discussion regarding the Licensure Examination administered by Prometric. Stephen Carragher, Health Program Manager, asked Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, to contact Patsy Kirby, IBEC Director, and request a copy of the exam used by CT DPH so it could be reviewed by the Board. Further discussion at a later date.
- 2. As the Board is questioning the fact that all candidates pass the Licensure Exam Stephen Carragher, Health Program Manager, asked Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, to contact Patsy Kirby, IBEC Director, and request the pass/fail statistics for the past five (5) years and to advise the Board of her findings.
- 3. Janine Cordero, License and Applications Specialist, informed the Board that Patsy Kirby, IBEC Director, communicated the fact that the exams are rotated on a regular basis.
- C. A further discussion regarding the change of CPR CEU's needs to be continued at the next Board Meeting.

V. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m. on a motion by Ms. Scranton-Lloyd, seconded by Ms. O'Neil.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd Board of Examiners of Electrologists The Board of Examiners of Electrologists held a meeting on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor Hearing Room, Hartford, CT

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Alicia Zalka, M.D. Arlene Romajas, LPN, CPE Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd Jan O'Neil, CPE
BOARD MEMBER ABSENT:	Tatiana Eirmann, Esq. Chairperson
ALSO PRESENT:	Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison, DPH Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, DPH Judith Bailey, License and Applications Analyst, DPH Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer, DPH Sandra Gazdowicz

Dr. Zalka called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

I. <u>MINUTES</u>

The board reviewed the minutes from April 5, 2017. Correction was made on the date of last meeting held, change to April 5, 2017. The motion was made to approve the minutes by Ms. Romajas and second by Ms. Scranton-Lloyd. The motion passed unanimously.

II. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

Investigation Update

Mr. Griffin reported ~ No new investigations at this time. <u>Examination Update</u> Ms. Deborah Brown reported one candidate took the test on May 23, 2017. The results were not available at this time.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. American Electrology Association (AEA)/International Board of Electrologist Certification (IBEC) Licensure Examination

Ms. Deborah Brown, spoke to Ms. Patsy Kirby, a volunteer for Legislation on AEA Board. Information shared: Connecticut Examination was in fact "Not" the same exam as the AEA~ CPE examination and only 3 people failed from 2007 to 2017.

We cannot have a copy of OUR State License Examination for review. Ms. Kirby stated IBEC exam is reviewed every five years.

The Board pointed out that IBEC (International Board of Electrologist Certification) which oversees the CPE (certified Professional Electrologist) are run by the same association ~ AEA (American Electrology Association).

The board continued discussion reviewing licensure for State of Connecticut written examination. The Board fourth request for a copy of our state examination was denied. The contents of this examination has not be reviewed or approved, to our knowledge, by Board of Examiners or Public Health Department for over 15 years. The State of Connecticut is giving an examination that we have no knowledge of the contents or if the examination is up to the higher standards required by State of Connecticut.

The Board agreed unanimously that further investigation by the Board to locate a new vendor. The board will contact other states with licensure and report their findings. Another option would be to develop our own State examination. Ms. Deborah Brown stated she would forward information to Mr. Stephen Carragher but the department does not have the resources available take on this endeavor but we can view options available from other license states.

As requested at the last meeting, Ms. Judith Bailey has researched Connecticut State Licensure Examination and we are under no contract or agreement by IBEC or Prometric.

It has come to the Boards attention that a recently passed licensed electrologist announced that the State of Connecticut Licensure examination and Certified Professional Electrologist (CPE) examination are in fact the same questions with an increase of cost to \$450 for each test.

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B. <u>Continuing Education Regulations</u>

The Board suggested that section **Sec. 20-275b-4(c) be changed** to increase the hours for CPR to coincide with current American Heart Association. The increase would be to four hours of continuing education units (CEU). Mr. Kardys will notify the Department of this requested change from 3 to 4 hours.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by 11:00 am on a motion by Dr. Zalka, second by Ms. Jan O'Neil.

Respectfully submitted, Jan M. O'Neil, CPE Board of Examiners of Electrologists The Board of Examiners of Electrologists held a meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor Conference Room C, Hartford, CT

Board Members Present:	Tatiana, Eirmann, ESQ. Chairman – <i>via telephone</i> Alicia Zalka, MD Arlene D. Romajas, LPN, CPE Jeanne Scranton Lloyd Jan O'Neil, CPE
Board Members Absent:	None
Also Present:	Jeffrey Kardys, Board Liaison Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH Deborah Brown, Health Program Assistant, DPH Celeste Dowdell, License and Applications Analyst, DPH Alfreda Gaither, Hearing Officer, DPH Stephen Carragher, Health Program Manager, DPH Judith Bailey, License and Applications Analyst, DPH Sandra Gazdowicz

Dr. Zalka called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

I. MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes from the May 24, 2017 meeting. Dr. Zalka made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Lloyd to approve the minutes as edited. The motion was passed unanimously.

II. CHAIR UPDATES

No updates.

III. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

A. Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, reported that there are no new investigations at this time.

B. Examination Update

Deb Brown, Health Program assistant, reported that one person took the practical exam last time and passed. There is one retake candidate for the next practical exam. When the date of the next examination has been determined, Celeste Dowdell, License and Application Analyst, will advise the Board.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

International Board of Electrologist Certification (IBEC) Exam has been used in Connecticut since 1988. Use of a different exam was again discussed. Stephen Carragher, DPH Health Program Manager, stated the Board could not make up a new exam. He also stated that the Board could look into different vendors that offer Electrology written exams.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A discussion of new vendors took place. After the discussion with the Board members and Stephen Carragher, Health Program Manager DPH, it was decided to move forward and to contact different testing vendor's options.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 a.m. on a motion by Dr. Zalka, seconded by Ms. Romajas.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene D. Romajas, LPN, CPE Board of Examiners of Electrologists The Board of Examiners of Electrologists held a meeting on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut in the 3rd Floor Conference Room "C".

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BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT	Jan O'Neil, CPE
ALSO PRESENT:	Stacy Schulman, Hearing Officer DPH Stephen Carragher, Health Program Manager, DPH Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH Ann Drost

Ms. Eirmann called the meeting to order at 9:30am

I. <u>MINUTES</u>

The board reviewed the minutes from the September 13, 2017 meeting. Ms. Romajas made a motion seconded by Ms. Eirmann to approve the minutes as edited. The motion passed unanimously.

II. CHAIR UPDATE

No updates.

III. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

A. <u>Investigations Update</u> Gary Griffin reported there are no new investigations at this time.

B. <u>Examination Update</u>

Stephen Carragher, Health Program Manager reported there was one retake candidate who retook the practical examination on November 2, 2017 and failed.

Ms. Romajas reported that during the November 2, 2017 examination it became apparent that one of the proctors' questions needs to be modified. Ms. Eirmann suggested the Board table this matter until the next meeting.

IV. Old Business

Ms. Romajas informed the Board that she and Ms. O'Neil have been researching and contacting different testing vendors that offer written licensing examinations. As the research is ongoing Ms. Eirmann suggested the Board table this matter until the next meeting.

V. <u>New Business</u>

The scheduled meeting dates for 2018 are as follows: March 7, 2018 - snow date March 14, 2018 May 23, 2018 September 12, 2018 November 14, 2018

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am on a motion by Ms. Scranton-Lloyd which was seconded by Ms. Romajas.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Scranton-Lloyd Board of Examiners of Electrologists