

SOLAR THERMAL SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

MARCH 11, 2010

The Solar Thermal Sub-Committee meeting was called to order at 9:37 a.m. in Room-119 of the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut 06106.

Members Present: Robert H. Barrieau, Unlimited Contractor, Acting Chairperson
Thomas F. Casey, Jr., Unlimited Contractor
Philip Kent, Esquire, Public Member
Charles E. Appleby, Sr., Plumbing contractor
Frank J. Dacato, Plumbing Journeyman

Members Absent: None

Board Vacancies: None

Board Counsel Present: None

DCP Staff Present: Nelson Leon

Public Present: Nathan Greenleaf, International Solar Thermal Institute
Renee Philbrook, International Solar Thermal Institute
William Lussier, CODE
Carleton Pember
Bob Albini, CT Department of Labor

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REVIEW THE FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PROPOSED CURRICULUM FOR SOLAR THERMAL CERTIFICATION

The Sub-Committee presented a draft of the solar thermal curriculum syllabus for review and input. The syllabus consisted of solar thermal technology relevant to New England regional climate conditions, in addition to relevant content matter provided by solar thermal instruction providers.

Mr. Greenleaf expressed the need to incorporate additional solar thermal theory, design and fundamental training to ensure proper theory, design, safety and installation. Mr. Greenleaf and Ms. Philbrook agreed that the draft curriculum presented by the Board is a valid starting point, and expressed the need to make sure the solar industry and monies being made available are properly used and put back into the economy to help build the solar industry.

After further review, discussion and input of the solar thermal curriculum syllabus, the Sub-Committee voted unanimously to agree with their draft solar thermal curriculum syllabus presented today and merge it together with Mr. Greenleaf's draft solar thermal theory and design fundamental syllabus, and present it as one idea to the Plumbing Board at their next meeting on Monday, March 15, 2010.

The Sub-Committee will review and finalize the recommended solar thermal curriculum syllabus and determine the instruction certification guidelines at their next meeting on Monday, April 5, 2001 at 9:30 a.m. in Room-119 at the Department of Consumer Protection, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelson Leon
Board Secretary