

BOARD OF ELECTRICIANS AND PLUMBERS
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2015

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Place: King Kalakaua Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, HI 96813

Present: Peter Akamu, Industry Member, Vice Chairperson
Matt Brady, Industry Member
Randal Hiraki, Industry Member
Phillip Lucero, Industry Member
Randall Kaya, Public Member
Rodney J. Tam, Deputy Attorney General
Christine Rutkowski, Executive Officer
Christine Hironaka, Secretary

Excused: Vernon Ta'a, Public Member

Guests: Al Itamoto – Electrical Contractors Association of Hawaii (“ECAH”)

Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”).

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Vice Chairperson Akamu called the meeting to order at 10:55 a.m.

Additions/
Revisions to
the Agenda: It was moved by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Kaya and unanimously carried to approve the following addition to the agenda:

6. Applications

b) Plumbers

Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
HAZZARD, Peyton

Approval of
the Minutes:

It was moved by Mr. Kaya, seconded by Vice Chairperson Akamu and unanimously carried to defer the approval of the minutes and executive session minutes of the February 10, 2015 Board meeting to the June 9, 2015 meeting.

Executive Officer's
Report

a. June 2015 Plumber Renewal

Plumbers can start renewing their licenses online from April 20, 2015. The journey worker plumber and master plumber license renewal is \$276.00. The inactive status renewal fee is \$12.00. Honolulu Community College will again download the continued competency completion information for plumbers who signed waivers to authorize the UH/Community College system to share information with the Professional Vocational Licensing Division.

Prometric has yet to meet with the Board for approval of the continued competency exam. The Executive Officer has been tracking this matter for the past months; there seem to be issues with Prometric staff changes and location.

b. Board of Electrician and Plumbers Member Reappointments

The Executive Officer informed the Board that Governor Ige nominated Mr. Brady, Mr. Lucero and Mr. Ta'a for reappointment to the Board. The Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection will hold a confirmation hearing on April 22, 2015.

c. Board members agreed by consensus that the election of officers will be placed on the agenda for the June 9, 2015 meeting.

Examinations:

a. The Executive Officer distributed the following results of the Electricians' and Plumbers' examination:

Electricians' Exam (administered March 2015)

	EJ	ES	EJI	ESI	EJS	ESS	EM
Exams Administered	21	4	0	0	3	0	1
Successful	15	2	0	0	3	0	0
Unsuccessful	6	2	0	0	0	0	1

Applications: It was moved by Mr. Kaya, seconded by Mr. Brady, and unanimously carried to approve to **approve/defer/deny** the following applications as noted.

a. ELECTRICIANS

1. Journey Worker Electrician (“EJ”) – Approved

BUTLER, Paul
CABATO, Philip
HARTSOCK, Bertram
JOSE, Ariel
KANESHIRO, Ken
KAUVAKA, Seti
NAKAMOTO, Aaron
PERALTA, Bronson
RANGE, Mitchell
RAYMOND, Jarom
ROBARGE, Paul
SCHUCKERT, Wendall
SHAM, Jared
SOTELO, Harold
TOTLAND JR, Ingwald

2. Supervising Electrician (“ES”) – Approved

ANDERSON, Gregory
LEUNG, Hung
LYONS-WOLFE, Brandon

3. Journey Worker Industrial Electrician (“EJI”) – None.

4. Supervising Industrial Electrician (“ESI”) - Approved

AMIAN, Andy

5. Journey Worker Specialty Electrician (“EJS”) - Approved

ADOLFO, Glenn
HOUGH, Jeremy
LUCZON, Earl
REYES, Oliver
SMITH, Francis

6. Supervising Specialty Electrician (“ESS”) – None

7. Maintenance Electrician (“EM”) - Approved

GOMOLL, Robert

b. PLUMBERS

1. Journey Worker Plumber (“PJ”) – Approved

ANDRES, Michael
ANDRES JR, Victor
FUKUDA, Jason
HAZZARD, Peyton
KENT, Mark
KUANONI, Bradley
LI, Wei Dong
MATUTINO, Gareth
PAHIA, Jesse
SMIT, Erik
TAKAHASHI, Cowen
WONG, Jason

2. Master Plumber (“PM”) – Approved

FORDIANI, Gino
TURNER, Jonathan

c. DEFERRED APPLICATIONS

BOYKO, Harry (EJ)
MIZUSAWA, Shane (PJ)
WENNINHAN III, Robert (EJ)

d. DENIALS - None.

e. RENEWALS - None.

f. RATIFICATION - None.

Unfinished Business: a. 2015 Legislative Session – Status Report

The Executive Officer informed the Board that HRS Chapter 448E was not impacted by any of the bills introduced to the legislature this session.

Scope: a. Email Inquiry Regarding Protective Relays for Industrial and Utility Scale Customers; Testing, Maintenance and Commissioning.

The Board reviewed the email inquiry from Deven Matsumoto asking if any license is required to perform testing, maintenance, and commissioning of Protective Relays for industrial and utility scale customers. He further emphasized that the work would contain no installation/replacement /repair of wiring, conduit, equipment, switches, or breakers and the work would be only testing/verification of protective relaying operation and circuitry.

Mr. Matsumoto further explained in his email that some journey worker industrial electricians test relays but due to the high cost of the equipment and the specialization of the field, testing is usually contracted out to the manufacturer of the protective devices.

The Board questioned if the hook up of the testing equipment exposes the tester to live wires and if this procedure is covered by the NEC.

After further discussion, it was moved by Mr. Lucero, seconded by Mr. Hiraki and unanimously carried to defer the email inquiry asking if a license is required to perform testing, maintenance, and commissioning of Protective Relay for industrial and utility scale customers until further information can be obtained from the NEC if an electrician is required to open up exposed live wires.

- Announcement:
- a. Next Applications Committee Meeting
Tuesday June 9, 2015
9:30 a.m.
King Kalakaua Conference Room
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, HI 96813
 - b. Next Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 2015
10:30 a.m.
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Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

Review and approved by:

Taken by:

/s/Christine Rutkowski
Christine Rutkowski
Executive Officer

/s/Christine Hironaka
Christine Hironaka
Secretary

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- Minutes approved as is.
 Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____