

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

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: Wednesday, June 12, 2019

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, Chairperson
Matt Brady, Industry Member, Vice Chairperson
Randal Hiraki, Industry Member
Phillip Lucero, Industry Member
Valery Kato, Deputy Attorney General
Charlene Tamanaha, Executive Officer
Olga Reppun, Secretary

Excused: Vernon Ta'a, Public Member

Guests: Ryan Takahashi - Hawaii Electricians Market Enhancement Program ("HEMEP")
Leyton Torda, IBEW 1186, Examining Board

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, Chair Akamu called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Approval of the Minutes It was moved by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Lucero, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the executive session and the minutes of the open session of the April 09, 2019, Board meeting as circulated.

Executive Officer's Report: a) Board Member Vacancy Update:
Ms. Tamanaha informed the Board members that Mr. Robert Barrett was appointed by the Governor on May 28, 2019, to serve on the Board on an interim basis, effective immediately and to expire on the last day of the 2020 Regular Session of the Legislature. Mr. Barrett will be filling one of the Board's public member vacancies.

No other appointments have been made so far. She thanked Mr. Akamu, Mr. Brady, and Mr. Ta'a for their dedication to serving the consumers of our State for the past 8 years. The Board wished them success in all of their future endeavors.

Chapter 91, HRS None.
Adjudicatory
Matters:

Examinations: a) May 2019 Exam Results for Electricians and Plumbers:

The Executive Officer distributed the following results of the Electricians' and Plumbers' examinations:

Electricians' Exam (administered May 2019)

	EJ	ES	EM	EJI	EJS	ESS	ESI
Exams Administered	32	6	0	0	4	0	1
Successful	21	2	0	0	1	0	0
Unsuccessful	11	4	0	0	3	0	1

Plumbers' Exam (administered May 2019)

	PJ	PM
Exams Administered	12	1
Successful	4	1
Unsuccessful	8	0

Ms. Tamanaha informed the Board members that Prometric confirmed that they will be updating the electrician's licensing examination to 2017 NEC, the plumbers to the 2012 UPC, and to move to an open book format.

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

a. ELECTRICIANS

1. Journey Worker Electrician ("EJ") – Approved

AGBUNAG, BRANDEN
AISENBREY, EDWARD
BROWN, JOSHUA
CARROLL, ZACHARY
CHING, EVERETT
ESTERON, JAVIS

FALLER, DENNIS
FAUMUINA, LATUPO
HASHIMOTO, BRANDON
HATAYAMA, SHEYDON
KELLER, KEVIN
KUSHI, MICHAEL
LAU HEE, KAE0
LAUTHERBOREN, ROBERT
MADRID, STEPHEN
MENDOZA, WEBSTER
MONTANA, JOSEPH
MOYER, FRANK
PADER JR., TIM
PALAKIKO, RICHARD
PANG, AARON
RIVERO, RUSSEL
SATO, KEVIN
SMITH JR, ALLAN
SUEHIRO, KYLEN
TOMAS, HONIEVAL
YAMAMOTO, DUSTIN
WATLING, ERIC
WONG, DONOVAN

2. Journey Worker Industrial Electrician (“EJI”) -
Approved

NONE

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

DE LA ROSA, JORGE
HUDSON, NICHOLAS
PATLINGRAO, DUNHILL

4. Supervising Electrician (“ES”) – Approved

BRADLEY, KENNETH
SEGAR, ISAAC
WHITING, SCOTT

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

NONE

6. Supervising Specialty Electrician (“ESS”)

HIMPHILL, ERIC

7. Maintenance Electrician ("EM") - Approved

URSUA, CAMERON

b. PLUMBERS

1. Journey Worker Plumber ("PJ") - Approved

ACASIO, CODY
ACKLEY, STUART
ALVAREZ, MATTHEW
AWONG, COLLIN
BARKER, ANDREW
BASTASTES, DUKE
BELASKI II, ALBERT
BUCK, PATRICK
CHO, CYRUSS
IMURA, JUSTIN
KELIINOI JR., DONALD
LAPOT, ELSON
LAU, KYLE
LOPEZ, WILLIAM
LURENDEZ, DERRICK
MONTGOMERY, CHAD
OILI, BERNARAY
QU, MEI SHENG
SEEVERS, WILLIAM
TAIRA, BRIAN
YAP, REGINALD

2. Master Plumber ("PM") - Approved

ALLEN, BRIAN
CHACE, TRAVIS
RUSNELL, CHRISTOPHER

c. DEFERRED APPLICATIONS

FONTAIN IV, JAMES (EJ)
LAMBERT, STERLING (EJ)
MAKIDA, DRAKE (EJ)
NAWATANI, KRISTOPHER (EJ)
RODRIGUEZ EGANA, FELIPE (EJ)
SALES, BRYON (EJ)
TACHIBANA, STEFAN (EJ)
TAMASHIRO, SETH (EJ)

WIES, DEREK (EJ)
PARMA, STEVE (ES)
VALDEZ III, RUDOLFO (EJS)
MASAKI, TYSON (PJ)
ZHOU, WEI (PJ)

d. REQUEST FOR EXAMINATION WAIVER

SMITH JR, ALLAN (EJ) – Approved, pending
submission of CE certificates

e. RATIFICATIONS

OH, TIMOTHY (ES)

New Business:

a) Experience Verification Form – Plumber Only

The Board members discussed the proposed changes draft of the Experience Verification Form – Plumber Only.

After deliberations and discussions, the Board members instructed the Board staff to create Draft 2 of the form to include the following amendments:

Page 2 of the Form:

Installation of potable and non-potable water: Piping and appurtenances for potable and non-potable water systems

Minimum of 2,000 hours, of which 1,000 hours shall be with potable water systems.

Finish work: assembly in position and connection of fixtures and appliances used in the plumbing system, including all water and drainage connections

Minimum of 1,000 hours

Pipe fitting: General pipe fitting, sprinkler fitting, pipe welding, medical gas piping, and pipe work for temperature conditioning

Minimum of 500 hours

Gas and fuel piping: Installation of natural, propane, and/or fuel piping.

Minimum of 500 hours

Blueprint reading and layout: Blueprint reading and layout of general piping.

Minimum of 500 hours

b) Legislative Report Pursuant to Act 60 SLH 2018

Ms. Tamanaha provided a copy of the Report Pursuant to Act 60 SLH 2018 submitted in December 2018 for the Board members' information and explained that Act 60 requires reports until 2022 (5 years) and that a 2019 report will be due in December. Please advise if there are any changes or updates on programs or training listed.

Scope:

a) Request from Mr. Rob O' Dell of Constant Technologies Inc. to determine whether an electrician's license is required to perform work on his project.

The Board members reviewed Mr. O'Dell's emails dated May 13 and May 16, 2019.

Chair Akamu inquired if any of the Board members or guests had any comments.

Mr. Takahashi asked Chair Akamu if he could take a look at the email message, as the description of the inquiry in the meeting agenda did not have enough information to be able to tell exactly what sort of work was being discussed.

Chair Akamu provided a copy of the abovementioned correspondence to Mr. Takahashi.

The Board members noted that, based upon the descriptions in Mr. O'Dell's email, it appears that there is no hard wiring required and the monitors and PCs have plug in connections.

Therefore, it was moved by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Hiraki to reaffirm the Board's prior determinations made at the April 12, August 09, and October 14, 2011 meetings that systems requiring no hard wiring to connect any wire on a terminal, transformer control panel, or keyboard do not require a licensed electrician to perform the work.

If any hard wiring were required, the workers would have to be licensed as electricians in Hawaii.

It was noted that, in accordance with Hawaii Admin. Rule § 16-201-90, the above interpretation is for informational and

explanatory purposes only. It is not an official opinion or decision, and therefore is not to be viewed as binding on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers or the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Executive Session:

At 11:29 a.m., it was moved by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Hiraki, and unanimously carried to move into Executive Session to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for licensure in accordance with Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) section 92-5(a)(1), and to consult with the Board’s attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities in accordance with HRS section 92-5(a)(4).

At 11:34, it was moved by Mr. Brady, seconded by Mr. Hiraki, and unanimously carried to return to the Board order of business.

Applications:

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

LE, JOHNY (EJ) - Approved
DODSON, SHAWN (EJ) - Deferred

Public Comment:

None.

Announcement:

- a. Next Applications Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 13, 2019
9:30 a.m.
King Kalakaua Conference Room
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- b. Next Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 13, 2019
10:30 a.m.
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Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Charlene Tamanaha

Charlene Tamanaha
Executive Officer

Taken by:

/s/ Olga Reppun

Olga Reppun
Secretary

CT: or

06/12/19

Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____