

ELEVATOR MECHANICS LICENSING BOARD
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: February 23, 2023

Time: 1:00 p.m.

In-Person Meeting Location: King Kalakaua Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, First Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Members Present: Evan Fong, Industry Member, Vice-Chairperson
Mark S. Baker, Industry Member
Jammie Garcia-Paahana, Industry Member
Allen Martin, Public Member

Excused: Robert Greig, Industry Member, Chairperson

Staff Present: James R. Skizewski, Executive Officer ("EO" Skizewski)
Christopher J.I. Leong, Esq., Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
Candace Ito, Executive Officer
Marc Yoshimura, Secretary
Lausei Taua, Secretary

Guests: None.

Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was posted on the State electronic calendar as required by HRS section 92-7(b).

Call to Order: Vice Chairperson Fong welcomed everyone to the meeting and proceeded with roll call to establish quorum. Vice-Chairperson Fong, Ms. Garcia-Paahana, Mr. Baker and Mr. Martin were present in-person. Chairperson Greig was excused from the meeting. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Vice Chairperson Fong asked if there were any corrections to the November 4, 2022, open session minutes and executive session minutes.

It was moved by Ms. Garcia-Paahana, seconded by Mr. Martin, and unanimously carried to approve the open session and executive session minutes of the November 4, 2022, meeting as written.

Licensing: There were no members of the public present to provide oral testimony on this item.

Executive Session: At 1:02 p.m., upon a motion by Ms. Garcia Paahana, seconded by Mr. Martin, it was voted on and unanimously carried to move into Executive Session in accordance with HRS, 92-4 and 92-5(a) (1) and (4), to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both, and, to consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities."

At 1:11 p.m., upon a motion by Ms. Garcia-Paahana, seconded by Mr. Martin, it was voted on and unanimously carried to move out of executive session.

Applications:

A. Ratification List

It was moved by Ms. Garcia-Paahana, seconded by Mr. Martin, and unanimously carried to approve the ratification list to ratify the approval of the Elevator Mechanic Employees assigned registration numbers: EVM-598 to EVM-603. (See attached list).

B. Applications for Elevator Mechanic Examination and Licensure

After discussion, it was moved by Ms. Garcia-Paahana, seconded by Mr. Martin, and unanimously carried to approve the following applicant to sit for the State examination.

- i. Aguda, Alex
- ii. Carvalho, Joseph
- iii. Chimienti, Michael
- iv. Harvest-Silva, Thomas
- v. Jacob, Vincent
- vi. Kalahiki, Denzel
- vii. Lorico, Rankin
- viii. Young, Charles

C. Application for Registration – Elevator Mechanic Apprentice

It was moved by Ms. Garcia-Paahana, seconded by Mr. Martin, and unanimously carried to approve the following list of issued apprentice registration, temporary permit, and licenses.

- i. Acoba, Lawrence-Ephraim
- ii. Fuertes, Keoki Max
- iii. Travis, Liloa
- iv. Tausaga, Valentine
- v. Bataya, Dustin-Donovan

Executive
Officer's
Report:

There was none.

Open Forum:

Vice Chairperson Fong asked a question regarding the new testing vendor, PSI Services, LLC (PSI). PSI contacted a member who has been licensed for several years, stating that they need to take their State Exam. Vice Chairperson Fong wanted clarification on whether this is a new requirement.

EO Skizewski stated that PSI is a new test provider, therefore they may have made a clerical error. EO Skizewski recommended for the member to contact him so that he may further research as to why the applicant received this notification.

Candace Ito provided comments on where testing locations are and how often exams are provided.

EO Skizewski explained that once applicants are approved by the Board to take the exam, the applicant will receive a letter from PSI, providing instructions on how to schedule a test date.

Ms. Garcia-Paahana asked if there is an expiration date to take an exam once an applicant is approved.

EO Skizewski and DAG Leong clarified that applicants have two years from the most recent contact with the Board, to take the exam.

There were no members of the public present to provide oral testimony.

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Meeting:
In-Person:

April 28, 2023
1:00 p.m.
PVL Exam Room
King Kalakaua Building, 3rd Floor
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:24 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/: James R. Skizewski
James R. Skizewski, Executive Officer

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Taken and recorded by:

/s/: Lausei Taua
Lausei Taua, Secretary

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