

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 30, 2024

Time: 10:30 a.m.

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

Present: Sheung Wong, Industry Member, Chairperson
David Kamakea III, Industry Member, Vice Chairperson
Robert Barrett, Public Member
Nathan Olanda, Industry Member
Christopher Leong, Deputy Attorney General (“DAG Leong”)
Lei Ana Green, Executive Officer
Candace Ito, Executive Officer
Marc Yoshimura, Secretary

Excused: Phillip Lucero, Industry Member

Guests: Ryan Takahashi, Hawaii Electricians Market Enhancement Program
Kika Bukoski, Director of Government Affairs, IBEW 1260
Monica Amigo

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

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Wong called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

Char Wong, Vice Chair Kamakea, Mr. Barrett, and Mr. Olanda were present; Mr. Lucero was excused.

Approval of Minutes: Chair Wong stated that the Board received comments regarding the January 23, 2024, open session minutes, and asked if there is anyone present who would like to provide oral testimony.

Kika Bukoski, Director of Government Affairs, IBEW 1260, apologized for his tone during the March 12, 2024, Board Meeting and stated he does appreciate all the work that the Board does. With regard to the January 23, 2024, open session minutes, Mr. Bukoski stated that the written corrections he submitted were regarding the comments he made during the meeting. He stated further that he is aware the minutes become permanent record and asked for the Board's consideration to the corrections that he provided, which are from his recollection of the comments that he made during the meeting.

Chair Wong thanked Mr. Bukoski for his testimony, then asked if any other members of the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item.

Seeing none, it was moved by Mr. Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Kamakea and unanimously carried to approve the open and executive session minutes of the January 23, 2024, and March 12, 2024, Board meeting, as distributed.

Executive
 Officer's Report:

a) Exam Results

Executive Officer Green read aloud the following results of the Electricians' examinations:

Electricians' Exam (administered January 2024)

	EJ	ES	EM	EJI	EJS	ESS	ESI
Exams Administered	29	0	1	0	0	0	0
Successful	6	0	1	0	0	0	0
Unsuccessful	23	0	0	0	0	0	0

Electricians' Exam (administered February 2024)

	EJ	ES	EM	EJI	EJS	ESS	ESI
Exams Administered	29	1	1	1	0	0	0
Successful	6	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsuccessful	23	1	1	1	0	0	0

Electricians' Exam (administered March 2024)

	EJ	ES	EM	EJI	EJS	ESS	ESI
Exams Administered	40	0	2	0	0	0	0
Successful	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Unsuccessful	36	0	1	0	0	0	0

Executive Officer Green read aloud the following results of the Plumbers' examinations:

Plumbers' Exam (administered January 2024)

	PJ	PM
Exams Administered	14	0
Successful	5	0
Unsuccessful	9	0

Plumbers' Exam (administered February 2024)

	PJ	PM
Exams Administered	18	0
Successful	3	0
Unsuccessful	15	0

Plumbers' Exam (administered March 2024)

	PJ	PM
Exams Administered	20	1
Successful	5	1
Unsuccessful	15	0

Applications:

Chair Wong asked if any members of the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item.

Seeing none, at 10:46 a.m., it was moved by Mr. Barrett, seconded by Vice Chair Kamakea, and unanimously carried to move into Executive Session.

At 10:54 a.m., it was moved by Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mr. Olanda, and unanimously carried to return to the Board's order of business.

It was moved by Vice Chair Kamakea, seconded by Mr. Olanda, and unanimously carried to approve/defer/deny/ratify the following applications, as noted below:

- a) Electricians

Maintenance Electrician (EM)

NONE

Journey Worker Specialty Electrician (EJS)

NONE

Journey Worker Industrial Electrician (EJI)

NONE

Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)

EVANS, ANDREW – APPROVED
GUISINGER, DWAYNE – APPROVED
KANESHIRO, MICAH – APPROVED
ROLLMAN, WILLIAM – APPROVED
THOMAS, STEVEN – APPROVED
TILTON, MAKANAHELE – APPROVED
TOMAS, CONNOR – APPROVED

Supervising Specialty Electrician (ESS)

NONE

Supervising Industrial Electrician (ESI)

NONE

Supervising Electrician (ES)

SAN AGUSTIN, RICO – APPROVED

b) Plumbers

Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)

APIA, KEONE – DEFERRED
AMIGO, ERWIN – APPROVED
CARDENAS-LUNGAY, ZACHARY – DEFERRED
FLORES, KENNETH – DEFERRED
HILKER, CHARLES – DEFERRED
JARAMILLO, AARON – DEFERRED
JOHNSON JR, ROBERT – DEFERRED
KARR, MICHAEL – APPROVED
MANNER, JAYMEN – APPROVED
MAMIYA, TAYLOR – DEFERRED
MARROCCO, NICHOLAS – DEFERRED
MULLINS, JAMES – DEFERRED
SEELEY, KELANI – APPROVED
TIMOTEO, TYTUS – DEFERRED

UYEUNTEN, BRENT – APPROVED
YU, RUI – DEFERRED

Master Plumber (PM)

DUBOIS, JEFFERY – DEFERRED
KERR, DANIEL – APPROVED
KERR, JASON – APPROVED
MARTINEZ, ANTHONY – DEFERRED

c) Ratifications

AIWOHI, SHANNON – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
ALANA, KEITH – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
ALAPAI, REGINALD – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
ALESNA, JESSE – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
ANDRES, NOGEL – Maintenance Electrician (EM)
ARGENTINO, WALTER – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
BARAO, GERRY – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
BASTATAS, IZAC – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
BELL, REESE – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
BERLIER, NATHANIEL – Supervising Specialty Electrician (ESS)
BUTZER, JEREMY – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
CAMPOLLO, JUMAR – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
CASTRO, LUIS – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
CLODES, JOHN – Supervising Industrial Electrician (ESI)
CULLEN, DONOVAN – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
DESILVA, QUINN – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
DE VERA GABE – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
DIRECTO, JAMES – Maintenance Electrician (EM)
DONIOS, JUSTIN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
DUROPAN, EDWIN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
ELI, JUSTIN – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
FERNANDEZ, AARON – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
FLEISCHUT, SCOTT – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
FLORES, MIGUEL – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
GABRIEL-GARCES, JOEY – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
GAISOA, CALVIN – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
GAMIAO, REYGAN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
GILLESPIE JR, MICHAEL – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
GLINO, CARL-JAMES – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
GOULET, BRIAN – Supervising Electrician (ES)
HAMORA JR, JAMES – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
HAYASHI JR, BRANDON – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
HOWERTON, ALEX – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
JAIMES, MICHAEL – Master Plumber (PM)

JELF, BERNARD – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
JOWELL, PAYTON – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
KASSEBEER, BRIANA – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
KAUHI, REISE – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
KAYE, NOA – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
KIDMAN, HYRUM – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
LAVOI, MICAHEL – Master Plumber (PM)
LORENZO JR, RUBEN – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
LUIZ II, DOUGLAS – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
MARTIN, JONATHAN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
MARTINEZ, ALLEN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
MATSUMARA III, JAMES – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
MIZUSAWA, MARK – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
MONTERO, BRADLEY – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
MORGAN, ERIC – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
OLANOLAN, AILEAH – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
PERRY, JACK – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
RAYMOND, JUSTIN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
RIVERA, DARREN – Supervising Electrician (ES)
RYAN, DENNIS – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
SANTOS, THIAGO – Master Plumber (PM)
SUEHIRO, KOHL – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
TANAKA, KYLE – Journey Worker Plumber (PJ)
TOSAKA, NOLAN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
VANCE JR, JOHNNY – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
VIDAD JR, DAREN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
YEE, JOHN – Journey Worker Specialty Electrician (EJS)
YOSHIMURA, NOLAN – Journey Worker Electrician (EJ)
WITT, ERIC – Supervising Electrician (ES)

Act 35, SLH 2010
Update Regarding
Electrical Academic
Coursework:

a) Chair Wong announced the following addition to the electrical academic coursework.

University of Hawaii Honolulu Community College
Approved Curricula

- Electrical Technology Program – Journey Worker Electrician at Maui Community College (EJ)

2024 Legislation:

Chair Wong asked if any members of the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item.

Hearing none, Executive Officer Green provided updates on the following measures:

- a) H.B. NO. 2523, H.D.1, S.D.1, Relating to Electric Utility Lineman

Beginning 1/1/2027, establishes licensing requirements, including minimum standards and qualifications, for licensure as a journey worker electric utility lineman and expands the Board of Electricians and Plumbers to include members engaged in electric utility work. Repeals an existing exception to the impending sunset of the limited exemption from electrician licensing requirements that was originally enacted by Act 65, SLH 2013, and extended pursuant to Act 60, SLH 2018, and Act 68, SLH 2022. Takes effect on 7/1/2027.

Executive Officer Green stated the Senate Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs passed the measure, and was then referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. That Committee did not hear the bill.

- b) S.B. NO. 2917, Relating to Electric Utility Lineman

Beginning 1/1/2027, establishes licensing requirements, including minimum standards and qualifications, for journey worker electric utility linemen and expands the board of electricians and plumbers to include members engaged in electric utility work. Sunsets the original limited exemption from licensing requirements for qualified electricians that was originally enacted by Act 65, SLH 2013, and extended pursuant to Act 60, SLH 2018.

Executive Officer Green stated this bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, but the Committee did not hear the bill.

Announcements: a) Next Board Meeting

July 24, 2024
10:30 a.m.
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Mr. Bukoski asked to provide oral testimony regarding the approval of minutes and requesting clarification if the written corrections he submitted for the January 23, 2024, open session minutes were considered by the Board.

Chair Wong stated the Board received Mr. Bukoski's recommended corrections to its minutes of that meeting, they were duly noted, and the Board approved the draft of its meeting minutes, as is.

Mr. Bukoski asked the Board if it would consider corrections on comments made by testifiers.

DAG Leong stated that the policy for all Boards is to receive and consider recommendations for corrections to the drafts of minutes, but it is up to the Board to determine whether or not to accept the recommended corrections. However, the Board cannot substantively change the discussion that was provided in the draft minutes from a previous meeting.

Mr. Bukoski stated that the corrections he submitted were to clarify comments he made or did not recall saying; not necessarily to change the substance of what was being said.

DAG Leong stated that the Board should generally avoid amending what is already on record by making after-the-fact clarifications. This not only applies to public testimony, but also to Board member comments as well.

Mr. Bukoski asked if his testimony would be part of the record.

DAG Leong informed Mr. Bukoski that if he has comments on or clarifications to statements made at a previous meeting, then he may provide them in his oral testimony now and his comments or clarifications would be recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

Mr. Bukoski stated that, based on his recollection, there are some statements that are either incorrect or inaccurate. His testimony is an attempt to provide clarification. He added that other Boards have adopted video recordings of Board meetings. As the subject matters that his Board discusses is important, he suggested that this Board consider implementing video recordings, which may assist in providing accurate information.

Executive Officer Ito asked Mr. Bukoski if there is anything that he'd like to clarify at this time, which would be reflected in the minutes for this meeting.

Mr. Bukoski stated that he would have to go back and review his testimony line-by-line.

As Mr. Bukoski expressed no further comments or questions, Chair Wong asked if any other members of the public would like to provide oral testimony on this agenda item.

Seeing none, Chair Wong proceeded to the next agenda item.

Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Lei Ana Green

Lei Ana Green
Executive Officer

Taken by:

/s/ Marc Yoshimura

Marc Yoshimura
Secretary

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5/28/24

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