

ELECTRICIANS' EXAMINING BOARD DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: September 16, 2022
Meeting Location: This meeting occurred virtually through exclusively remote participation pursuant to Section 2 (a.) (ii) of the Board's Remote Participation Policy adopted by the Board on September 17, 2021.

Time Meeting Scheduled to Begin: 8:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER – 8:02 a.m.

Members present:

Gerard Caron
Brian McDougal
Jonathan McKane
Peter Wilson

Members absent:

None

Staff Present:

Matthew Kaply, Board Manager
Matthew Fournier, Planning and Research Associate II
Karen Ross, Licensing Supervisor
Tyler Robinson, Office Specialist I
Kern Butler, Senior State Electrical Inspector
Kristin Racine, OPOP Attorney
Peter Holmes, Exec. Director Manufactured Housing

AAGs Present:

Timothy Steigelman
Philip Mantis
Nicole Sawyer

II. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to accept and approve the agenda, as amended. The amendment was to remove items V. a. and VII from the agenda.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

III. MINUTES REVIEW AND APPROVAL

A motion was made to approve the July 22, 2022 minutes as written.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

IV. ADJUDICATORY HEARINGS

a. Nathan Ashe 2021-ELE-17897

A motion was made to finding allegations 1-4 were found by preponderance of the evidence presented in the hearing.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerald Caron
Motion Carried

A motion was made to find the licensee showed a minimum of 8,000 hours of work experience as required by law.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Jonathan McKane
Motion Carried

A motion was made to grant the appeal, issue the license on today's date, and a warning to adhere to the laws and rules of a master electrician license.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerald Caron
Motion Carried

b. Joseph Adamson 2021-ELE-17892

A motion was made to find the licensee met the educational requirements except for Controls II, Motors, and Transformers.

Motion: Jonathan McKane
Second: Peter Wilson
Motion Carried

A motion was made to finding the licensee sufficient completion of 126 hour of degree-related courses in mathematics, science, business, human relations, and communications.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: GERAL CARON
Motion Carried

A motion was made to find the licensee did not have the equivalent of at least 4,000 hours of work experience as a journeyman electrician.

Motion: Jonathan McKane
Second: GERAL CARON
Motion Carried

A motion was made to find the licensee did not have the comparable work experience or education or training acceptable to the Board.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

A motion was made to not grant the appeal of the preliminary denial of the application for master electrician exam.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried

V. LICENSING APPLICATIONS (LICENSE BY ENDORSEMENT)

c. Gregory Bragdon Master Electrician License in Colorado

A motion was made that Colorado's master electrician license is not substantially equivalent to Maine's.

Motion: Jonathan McKane
Second: Gerald Caron
Voted 4 to 0 in favor, motion carried

d. John Bianchi, Master Electrician License in Massachusetts

A motion was made that Massachusetts's master and journeyman electrician licenses are substantially equivalent to Maine's.

Motion: Peter Wilson
Second: Jonathan McKane
Voted 4 to 0 in favor, motion carried

VI. REMOTE PARTICIPATION POLICY UPDATE

Tabled until the October meeting.

VIII. BOARD MANAGER'S REPORT

Matt Kaply gave the Manager's report. Update on the unit's staffing. The staff is also seeing an increase of electrician helper license applications.

IX. BOARD'S STATE INSPECTOR'S REPORT

State Senior Electrical Inspector gave the report.

X. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None offered.

XI. ADJOURN

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Motion: Jonathan McKane

Second: Gerard Caron
Motion Carried