863rd BUSINESS MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS (PUBLIC SESSION) - - - FEBRUARY 1, 2012

The Committee Minutes of February 1, 2012, have not been formally approved and are subject to change or modification by the Public Body at its next meeting of March 7, 2012, or soon thereafter as it may be considered. All requirements of the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been complied with according to N.J.S.A. 10:4-6.

The notice of the meeting has been mailed to the Newark Star Ledger, Camden Courier Post, and the Trenton Times, and also notice has been posted on the Bulletin Board at the office of the Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey.

Committee meeting of February 1, 2012, was called to order at 9:00 A.M. The following members were present:

Mr. James H. Flaherty, Acting Chairman

Mr. Constantinos Papademas

Mr. Arthur W. Jacobs, Sr.

Mr. Mitchell R. Malec

Mr. Joseph P. Schooley, Chairman; Mr. Richard T. Aicher, Jr.; Mr. Joseph F. Cantalupo, and Ms. Susan C. Michielli were absent.

Marian Fiore, Sr. Management Assistant, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Kathleen Moran, Administrative Assistant 3, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Joseph Donofrio, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law, was present from 9:00 A.M. until the close of the meeting.

Also in attendance were John Dubina and Joseph McMullen, Electrical Contractors Association of New Jersey.

The Committee saluted the Flag.

Note: A quorum was not present. Actions not already ratified during this meeting are to be ratified at the Board's next meeting to be held on March 7, 2012, or soon thereafter.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve (8) Initial Licenses effective February 1, 2012 to March 31, 2015.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve (9) Initial Business Permits effective February 1, 2012 to March 31, 2015.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve (4) Initial Business Permits Previously Expired effective February 1, 2012 to March 31, 2015.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve (6) Changes in Business Permits effective February 1, 2012 to March 31, 2012.

Mr. Schooley participated in today's meeting by telephone which then enabled the Board to ratify the Committee's recommendations regarding Initial Licenses, Initial Business Permits, Initial Business Permits Previously Expired, and Changes in Business Permits.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to ratify the Committee's recommendations for the approval of Initial Licenses, Initial Business Permits, Initial Business Permits Previously Expired, and Changes in Business Permits.

The Committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Kennie M. Fried, Warshauer Electric.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve Ms. Fried's request for Kevin Fleming to teach a previously approved course.

The Committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Robert Shoremount, Strandberg Consulting Group.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve twenty-nine (29) new courses and instructors. Mr. Shoremount will be advised that the courses listed as two and one half hours are approved as two hour courses.

The Committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Steven McPartland.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve four (4) new courses and instructors.

The Committee reviewed an application for Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approval received from Harry E. Smith, III, Certified Health and Safety Services, LLC.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve one (1) new course and instructor. Mr. Smith will be advised that the course entitled "OSHA Outreach Construction Course" is being approved as a fourteen (14) hour course and not a sixteen (16) hour course as the Board does not allow a quiz/exam to be part of the instructional hours and should not be a requirement in order for the licensee to receive a certificate.

Mr. Schooley participated in today's meeting by telephone which then enabled the Board to ratify the Committee's recommendations regarding Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approvals.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to ratify all of the Committee's recommendations regarding Continuing Education Course/Seminar Approvals.

Maryann Sheehan appeared before the Committee to review a draft of <u>N.J.A.C</u>. 13:31-1.7 Continuing Education requirements which would allow a licensee to earn a maximum of four credits per triennial registration period in interactive, computer-based courses that have been approved by the Board.

Language was also drafted to allow a licensee to obtain continuing education credit, consistent with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7, for completing continuing education courses concerning alarms and/or electronic security systems that have been approved by the Fire Alarm, Burglar Alarm and Locksmith Advisory Committee, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31A1-.12 provided the licensee obtains a certificate of completion from the course sponsor.

Mrs. Sheehan stated that the language will allow a licensee to earn a maximum of four credits per triennial renewal in interactive, computer-based courses that have been approved by the Board. Licensees will be allowed to obtain no more than two credits in an approved course in one day.

Mrs. Sheehan also stated that the Board should include language adopted by the Burglar Alarm, Fire Alarm, and Locksmith Advisory Committee's concerning Webinar courses. The Committee's language states that a licensee may earn a maximmum of four credits in correspondence related study, video taped or televised conference courses approved by the Board.

Mr. Papademas stated that he is not familiar with correspondence courses. Mr. Papademas also stated that he was of the opinion that a correspondence course meant that the teacher sends him a book, he reads the book and then he sends the book back to the teacher.

Mr. Flaherty stated that the Board would still have to approve that course.

Mrs. Sheehan stated that the Board would have the option of not approving the course; however, she recommends that the Board broaden the language.

Additionally, Mrs. Sheehan stated that language was also drafted to allow a licensee to obtain continuing education credits for completing continuing education courses on alarms and/or electronic security systems that have been approved by the Fire Alarm, Burglar Alarm and Locksmith Advisory Committee provided the licensee obtains a certificate of completion from the course sponsor.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7(e) with the following amendment:

A licensee may earn a maximum of four credits per triennial registration period in Board approved correspondence related study, interactive video taped or televised conference courses.

The Committee unanimously recommended to approve N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7 (e 5) with the following amendment:

All courses approved by the Committee not including the Locksmith courses.

Mr. Schooley participated in today's meeting by telephone which then enabled the Board to ratify the Committee's recommendations regarding <u>N.J.A.C</u>. 13:31-1.7(e) and <u>N.J.A.C</u>. 13:31-1.7 (e 5).

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Arthur W. Jacobs, Sr., and unanimously passed, to ratify the Committee's recommendations concerning <u>N.J.A.C</u>. 13:31-1.7(e) and <u>N.J.A.C</u>. 13:31-1.7 (e 5).

Letter dated January 12, 2012, received from Christopher L. Jones, License #15818, requesting a waiver of the Continuing Education Courses for the 2012 to 2015 renewal period pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7(g). Mr. Jones stated that he is currently under contract and employed overseas assisting the troops in Iraq.

The Committee unanimously recommended that a letter be sent to Mr. Jones advising him that he has been granted a six-month extension in order to complete the 34 hours of Continuing Education Courses for the 2012 triennial renewal period.

Mr. Schooley participated in today's meeting by telephone which then enabled the Board to ratify the Committee's recommendations regarding Mr. Jones.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to ratify the Committee's recommendation that a letter be sent to Mr. Jones advising him that he has been granted a six-month extension in order to complete the 34 hours of Continuing Education Courses for the 2012 triennial renewal period.

Response received from Frank Knight, License #9930, t/a Frank Knight Electrical Contractor, to the Administrative Action Provisional Order of Discipline June 1, 2011, granting a 60 (sixty) day extension to complete a minimum of 34 hours of Continuing Education Courses. Mr. Knight is provisionally assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7(b) and N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7(g) which shall be stayed should Mr. Knight complete his continuing education courses within the sixty (60)day extension granted to him.

The Committee unanimously recommended that DAG Donofrio prepare a Final Order of Discipline staying the civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 assessed against Mr. Knight for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7(b) as Mr. Knight completed his continuing education courses within the sixty-day (60) extension granted to him.

Mr. Schooley participated in today's meeting by telephone which then enabled the Board to ratify the Committee's recommendations regarding Mr. Knight.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Arthur W. Jacobs, and unanimously passed, to ratify the Committee's recommendation that DAG Donofrio prepare a Final Order of Discipline staying the civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 assessed against Mr. Knight for violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.7(b) as Mr. Knight completed his continuing education courses within the sixty-day (60) extension granted to him.

Letter dated January 22, 2012, received from Lawrence S. Cross, 3rd, License #9908, requesting to be granted 15 credits towards his 2012 triennial license renewal pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 13:31-1.7. Mr. Cross has provided copies of attendance certification sheets reflecting that he has taught 15 hours of continuing education courses which includes the nine hours of code changes and the one hour of laws, rules and regulations.

The Committee unanimously recommended that Mr. Cross be granted 15 credits toward his 2012 triennial license renewal.

Mr. Schooley participated in today's meeting by telephone which then enabled the Board to ratify the Committee's recommendations regarding Mr. Cross.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to ratify the Committee's recommendation that Mr. Cross be granted 15 credits toward his 2012 triennial license renewal.

Letter dated January 24, 2012, received from Ellen L. Kennedy, Electrical Installation & Design, Inc., requesting a six-month continuance of business under Permit #12707 according to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14. The licensee, John R. Kennedy, died on January 4, 2012.

Mrs. Kennedy stated that Frank D. Chupinka, License #15804, will be responsible for the work performed during the continuance of business.

The Committee unanimously recommended that a letter be sent to Ellen L. Kennedy advising her that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14 the firm of Electrical Installation & Design, Inc. has been granted a sixmonth continuance of business under permit #12707. The Board approves Frank D. Chupinka, License #15804, to qualify the business for the six-month period.

Mr. Schooley participated in today's meeting by telephone which then enabled the Board to ratify the Committee's recommendations regarding Mr. Kennedy.

Motion made by Mr. Mitchell R. Malec and seconded by Mr. Constantinos Papademas, and unanimously passed, to ratify the Committee's recommendation that a letter be sent to Ellen L. Kennedy advising her that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:5A-14 the firm of Electrical Installation & Design, Inc. has been granted a six-month continuance of business under permit #12707. The Board approves Frank D. Chupinka, License #15804, to qualify the business for the six-month period.

Signed cease and desist agreement received from Joe Seals, Seals' Handyman Services, Tuckerton, New Jersey.

The Committee accepted the signed cease and desist agreement.

Cashier's check in the amount of \$1,000.00 received from Robert Fakelman, License #6960, t/a Gavin Electric, LLC, as the first and final installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9 and N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2.

The Committee accepted the payment.

Check in the amount of \$25.00 received from Frank D'Arpa, License #8778 (Inactive), as the fifty-eighth installment of a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,500.00 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9 and N.J.S.A. 56:8-1 et seq. Payments started September 25, 2002 and the balance due is \$1,050.00.

The Committee accepted the payment.

Mr. Dubina stated that there was a sting operation conducted in a home located in Lyndhurst, New Jersey and twelve home improvement contractors were found to be operating without a license. Mr. Dubina also stated that the Association would like to know whether or not the Board could conduct a sting operation for unlicensed electrical contractors.

DAG Donofrio stated that the Board is not an investigating body because it reviews the complaints alleging unlicensed practice. However, the Board could ascertain whether or not a sting operation could be conducted.

The Committee reviewed applications for the written examination to be administered by Thomson Prometric. Sixteen (16) applications were approved.

The Committee unanimously recommended to go into Executive Closed Session to consider and to review consumer complaints, investigative reports and other information received pursuant to the Board's investigative authority in order to determine whether violations of the law, including Board regulations have occurred. The results of the deliberations will be made known when and if the Board determines to initiate disciplinary action or other public action.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 P.M.

An Appointment and Business Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 7, 2012 at 9:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

James H. Flaherty Acting Chairman

INITIAL LICENSEES APPROVED BY THE BOARD FEBRUARY 1, 2012 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2012 TO MARCH 31, 2015

- 1. Paul M Walburn
- 2. Damiano Mezzina
- 3. Edward M Geleski
- 4. Brett R Rizzo
- 5. Steve De Annuntis
- 6. Vicken Dokmajianj
- 7. Richard Lawrence
- 8. Gerald R Davis, Jr.

INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD FEBRUARY 1, 2012 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2012 TO MARCH 31 2015

- Red Line Electric Company LLC (Edward M. Geleski) (Limited Liability Company) 23
 Maple Terrace Verona, NJ 07044
- Rizzo Electric LLC (Bert R Rizzo) (Limited Liability Company) 33 Orchard Street -Denville, NJ07834
- 3. De Annuntis Electric LLC (Steve De Annuntis) (Limited Liability Company) 499 West Atlantic Avenue Atco, NJ 08004
- Metro Tek Electrical Contractors LLC (Vicken Dokmajian) (Limited Liability Company) -608 Sketch Place - North Ridge, NJ 07657
- 5. R B Thompson Electric and Construction LLC (Robert B Thompson) (Limited Liability Company) 94 Newton Sparta Road Andover, NJ 07860
- 6. Vista Electrical Contractors Inc. (Thomas M Luther) (Corporation) 745 West Nyack Road West Nyack, NY 10994 License #17049
- 7. American Electrical Construction LLC (Richard Lawrence) (Limited Liability Company) 275 State Route 10 E. Suite #220 Succasunna, NJ 07876
- 8. All Season Solar (Gerald R. Davis, Jr.) (Limited Liability Company) 230 Flint Road Place Galloway, NJ 08205
- 9. Mehl Electric Co., Inc. (Craig Bocchino) (Corporation) 74 South Main Street Pearl River, NY 10965 License #14316

INITIAL BUSINESS PERMITS PREVIOUSLY EXPIRED APPROVED BY THE BOARD FEBRUARY 1, 2012 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2012 TO MARCH 31, 2015

- 1. Robert P Zimmermann t/a RZ Electric (Individual) 10 Lott Road Wantage, NJ 07461 License #11588A
- 2. Marino Industrial Systems Services, Inc (Stephen Wedzieczkowski) (Corporation) 805A West 2nd Street Chester, PA 19013 License #14159A
- GeoGenix LLC (Jason A Zeeb) (Limited Liability Company) 79 East River Road -Rumson, NJ 07960 - License #14986A
- 4. Gibraltar Construction Company Inc (Gerry Farmer) (Corporation) 42 Hudson Street Suite 107 Annapolis, MD 21401 8606B

CHANGES IN BUSINESS PERMITS APPROVED BY THE BOARD FEBRUARY 1, 2012 EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2012 TO MARCH 31,2015

- G&G Electrical Construction LLC (Jason Bailey) (Limited Liability Company LLC) -Formerly - George P Bailey and Sons Inc. (Corporation) - 711 Fairview Avenue - Bristol, PA 19007 - License #16414A
- Greenrupert Energy and Electric LLC (Michael R Voccarella) (Limited Liability Company) - Formerly - Vaccarella Electric LLC - (Limited Liability Company) - 30 Constable Road - Kendall Park, NJ 08827 - License #15178
- KBM Electric Contractors Inc (Aaron Kolodny) (Corporation) Formerly South Lake Electric Inc. (Corporation) - 1017 Hearthstone Drive - Lakewood, NJ 08701 - License #12207D
- 4. Geo Peak Electric LLC (Jorge Hernandez) (Limited Liability Company) Formerly General Lighting Design and Electrical Contracting Company (Individual) 285 Davidson Avenue Somerset, NJ 08873 License 12278B
- Marcel Electrical Contracting Corp. (Matthew R Mokracek) (Corporation) Formerly -Brighten Automation LLC - (Limited Liability Company) - 1406 Blondell Avenue - Bronx, NY 10461 - License #16440A
- Integrated Systems & Security Technologies Inc (Keith B Futty) (Corporation) -Formerly - Gooseworks Inc - (Corporation) - 617 Goose Neck Drive - Lititz, PA 17543 -License #12893B