

## MINUTES

### UTAH ELECTRICIANS LICENSING BOARD MEETING

APRIL 17, 2008

Room 474 4th Floor 9:00 A.M.  
Heber Wells Building  
160 East 300 South  
Salt Lake City, Utah

**CONVENED** 09:03 A.M.

**ADJOURNED** 12:12 P.M.

**DOPL STAFF**  
F. David Stanley, *Division Director*  
Ross Ford, *Associate Director*  
Dennis Meservy, *Bureau Manager*  
Dan S. Jones, *Bureau 4*  
Dan T. Jones, *Investigations Supervisor*  
Sharon Smalley, *Acting Board Secretary*

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**  
Bradley Stevens, *Chairperson*  
Frank Rydalch  
Harold Weight  
David Kingery  
Dirk Burton

**VISITORS**  
Ken Adams, *IEC of Utah*  
Chris Applonie, *LDS Church Electric Shop*  
Richard Black, *ACPO, Inc*  
Trina Hansen, *Ogden Weber ATC*  
Paul James, *Bridgerland ATC*  
Kurt Jensen, *GSL Electric*  
Jon L. Jones, *LDS Church Electric Shop*  
Kody Kirby, *Big Bear Electric*  
Dallas Langston, *Value Electric*  
Renee McDonough, *IEC of Utah*  
Curtis Nelsen, *Ogden Weber ATC*  
Dale Olson, *Utah Valley State College*  
Will Pierce, *Salt Lake Community College*  
John Simonsen, *Big Bear Electric*

**MINUTES** David Kingery made a motion to approve the March minutes as written. Frank Rydalch seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

**RICHARD BLACK** Richard Black came before the board to ask permission to retake the practical electrical exam. He has failed the master electrician practical exam four times and taken 6 months

## **JON JONES**

of schooling. He has worked for APCO, Inc. for ten years. Rydalch made a motion to allow Richard to take the master electrical practical exam one more time. Harold Weight seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Jon Jones met with the board to ask approval to be an instructor for teaching continuing education classes to electricians for the Church of Latter-day Saints Headquarters Facilities Division. The classes would be approved only for the church's electrical shop. Weight made a motion to approve Jones as a continuing education instructor provided he submits a course outline and a copy of the certificate that will be issued to the course participants to the Division. Kingery seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Jones asked the board what the procedure would be if other instructors came in to teach a class for the church. Bradley Stevens informed him the other instructors would have to come before the board with their qualifications.

## **IEC of UTAH Renee McDonough**

Renee McDonough spoke to the board on behalf of the IEC of Utah. IEC of Utah has established IEC Education of Utah. This will be a training program via the internet. McDonough asked the board to accept IEC Education of Utah's transcripts from students who are applying to take the journeyman exam. The target of this course of study would be students in the outlying areas of the state. Students will be able to have access to the instructors and a location with proctors would be used to test the students.

A motion was made by Dirk Burton to accept IEC Education of Utah's proposal to offer training via internet for the apprenticeship program to count for hours towards the Utah journeyman schooling as was submitted in the letter dated April, 17, 2008. Weight seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

## **OGDEN WEBER ATC Curtis Nelson**

Curtis spoke to the board to inform them that Ogden Weber Applied Technical College would be changing from the union IBEW curriculum. Curtis was aware that the board for uniformity throughout the state only supported the union and the IEC curriculums. Curtis, however, expressed an interest in looking at other curriculums.

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

Dennis Meservy had contacted online continuing education providers and reported what they were doing to protect their test questions and answers.

## **Limited Energy Resource Center**

Limited Energy Resource Center has asked for approval to provide continuing education online classes. Burton made a motion to only accept for continuing education the 2008

NEC changes for 16 hours and the 2008 NEC changes for 8 hours. Kingery seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

The proposed changes to the electrical rules will be addressed at the May meeting.

### **Solar Photovoltaic License Classification**

Stevens spoke to the board about electrical contractors doing solar work that lack the necessary qualifications. Paul James suggested that possibly an engineer's stamp could be required on the plans. According to Meservy, state code (58-1-501(2)(i)) already makes it unprofessional conduct for a licensee to practice beyond the scope of their competency. The board at a later time may look at additional requirements for this license classification.

### **Uniform Building Codes Administrative Rules Hearing**

Dan S. Jones explained that one of the proposals in the upcoming administrative rules hearing before the Uniform Building Codes Commission is to eliminate the electrical portion of the IRC and replace it with the NEC. Jones asked this board to take a position on this issue. Burton made a motion in support of this rule change. Rydalch seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Jones said also there was a proposed rule change that would be discussed in this hearing to allow residential electrical building inspectors who are ICC certified to do inspections under comparable provisions of the NEC. Burton made a motion to also support this portion of the rule change. Kingery seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

## **LEGISLATION UPDATES**

There were no updates at this time.

### **JOURNEYMAN/RESIDENTIAL MASTER LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS**

There are those that once they obtain their journeyman license turn around and seek licensure as a residential master. The board discussed whether or not such individuals meet the requirements for licensure as a residential master. The board was of the opinion that such individuals need to have two years experience as a journeyman and also take the residential master test.

## **REVIEW TESTS**

Kingery and Burton were part of a group that did a three day review of the exams being offered by the Division's new testing agency, PSI. They made a favorable report of what was accomplished and of PSI.

## **APPLICATION REVIEW**

Board reviewed out of state applications or applications with special concerns.

### **Dallas Langston**

Dallas Langston appeared before the board. He applied to have his apprentice license reinstated. He has been out of prison for two months, after serving 18 months.

He works for his father. Burton made a motion to reinstate the apprentice license through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that would place Langston on probation for four years. The terms of the MOU were discussed. Kingery seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

**Kody Kirby**

Kody Kirby appeared before the board. He applied to be an apprentice electrician. He has felony convictions. Kirby is currently working for Big Bear Electric. Kirby employer, John Simonsen, spoke on behalf of Kirby and gave him a positive recommendation. Burton made a motion to grant an apprentice license through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that would place Kirby on probation for four years. The terms of the MOU were discussed. The motion was seconded by Rydalch and all members voted in favor.

**James Martin**

The board reviewed the application of James Martin to be an apprentice electrician. Rydalch made a motion to grant an apprentice license through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that would place Martin on probation for four years. The terms of the MOU were discussed. The motion was seconded by Burton and all members voted in favor.

Harold Weight was excused at 11:45.

**CHANGE IN MAY MEETING**

Due to the Uniform Building Code Commission holding its rules hearing on the same date as the next meeting, the board's May meeting will be changed to May 16<sup>th</sup>.

*Note: This report is not intended to be a verbatim transcript, but is intended to record the significant features of what was discussed in the meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily arranged in the chronological order.*

(ss) Bradley Stevens \_\_\_\_\_ Date: May 16, 008  
Bradley Stevens, Chairperson Signature

(ss) Dennis Meservy \_\_\_\_\_ Date: May 16, 2008  
Dennis Meservy, Bureau Manager Signature