

## MINUTES

### UTAH ELECTRICIANS LICENSING BOARD MEETING

August 20, 2009

**Room 474 09:00 A.M.**  
**Heber Wells Building**  
**160 East 300 South**  
**Salt Lake City, Utah**

**CONVENED** 09:02 A.M.

**ADJOURNED** 10:58 A.M.

**DOPL STAFF**  
Wayne Holman, *Chief Investigator*  
Dennis Meservy, *Bureau Manager*  
Ray Walker, *Reg/Comp Officer*  
Yvonne King, *Board Secretary*  
Kent Barnes, *Compliance*

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**  
Dirk Burton, Chair  
Frank Rydalch  
Harold Weight  
David Kingery  
Kevin Clubb

**VISITORS**  
Carl Brailsford, *JATC*  
Trina Hansen, *Ogden/Weber Applied Tech College*  
Doug Leon, *Davis Applied tech College*  
Renee McDonough, *IEC of Utah*  
Will Pierce, *Salt Lake Community College*  
David Wilbur

**MINUTES** Harold Weight made a motion to approve the July 2009 minutes as written. Kevin Clubb seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

**COMPLIANCE** Kent Barnes indicated that seventeen licensees were on probation and out of these two were not in compliance with the terms of their probation. These two, Taylor Clark and Brian Ekblad, were invited by letter to this meeting, but failed to show. Ekblad received his letter and phoned Yvonne King to tell her he would be unable to attend. Weight made a motion to invite Clark and Ekblad to next month's board meeting. The two would be notified by letter and an order to show cause would be sought by the board for the individual(s) that failed to appear. David Kingery seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

**David Wilbur**

David Wilbur was asked to appear before the board. Compliance had not received a progress report from his employer. It turned out the report was submitted, but without a last name. Wilbur was found by the board, at this time, to be in compliance with the terms of his probation.

**INVESTIGATIONS**

Wayne Holman explained that investigations are very busy and reviewed ongoing cases.

**SUPERVISION**

Dennis Meservy, as requested by the board, presented the current statute for immediate supervision as defined under Utah Code 58-55-102 (20), previous electrician and plumbing rule supervision definitions and the global definitions of supervision as defined by rule under R156-1-102(a). The board found the current definition under 58-55-102 (20) to be too vague. Weight made a motion to make a recommendation to the Construction Services Commission to support a change in the present statute to allow immediate supervision to be defined by administrative rule. Kingery seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

**ADMINISTRATIVE RULE**

The administrative rule change for electrical education requirements R156-55b-302(a) was changed due to a public hearing before the Construction Services Commission on July 29, 2009. The board supported the change. Meservy informed the board this change from a curriculum of electrical study to a program of electrical study had moved forward through the Division and the Department of Commerce.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**  
**Jade Learning**

House Wiring an online continuing education course by Jade Learning was previously reviewed by Weight. The course is four hours and the instructor is David Burt. After discussion, Weight made a motion to approve this Jade Learning continuing education course. Clubb seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Frank Rydalch brought up a continuing education curriculum that Wasatch Electric had previously submitted, but had been denied by the board. The continuing education was previously denied due in part to the instructor's qualifications. There was also concern about the subject matter being electrical related. Rydalch was of the opinion that there was a portion of the curriculum that could qualify. Rydalch was informed by the board to have Wasatch Electric resubmit their continuing course with the proper information/qualifications and the board would review it.

**REVIEW TEST SCORES  
TESTING PRIOR TO EXPERIENCE**

PSI test scores and percentages were reviewed. Trina Hansen, after the review, brought up the subject of letting students take the journeyman written examinations right after completing apprentice school. Discussion involved allowing students that completed their schooling to take the code and theory parts of the test, but having to wait until they completed their four years of work experience before being allowed to take the practical part of the test. Discussion also involved allowing students to complete the testing process if they completed school with at least 6,000 hours of qualifying work experience. And, the parts of the test would have to be retaken if all parts were not successfully completed within a year. Additional input was needed from industry. Possible language for a rule change was requested by Dirk Burton. Hansen and Doug Leon would work on this. The rule language proposals were needed for the next board meeting and were to be submitted to Yvonne King by September 10<sup>th</sup>. This will be an agenda item for next month.

**APPLICATIONS**

Out of state applications and applications with special concerns were reviewed.

**All business concluded meeting adjourned.**

*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 chronological order.*

(ss) Dirk Burton \_\_\_\_\_ Date: September 17, 2009  
Dirk Burton, Chair Signature

(ss) Dennis Meservy \_\_\_\_\_ Date: September 17, 2009  
Dennis Meservy, Bureau Manager Signature