

MINUTES

UTAH PLUMBER'S LICENSING BOARD MEETING

June 9, 2009

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

CONVENED 09:04 A.M.

ADJOURNED 12:35 P.M.

BUREAU STAFF
Dennis Meservy, *Bureau Manager*
Yvonne King, *Board Secretary*
Dan S. Jones, *Bureau 4 Manager*
Wayne Holman, *Chief Investigator*
Susan Higgs, *Compliance*

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
David Told, *Chair*
Ed Gongaware
David Halverson
Gloria Miley
Travis Dalley

VISITORS
Will Pierce, *Salt Lake Community College*
Jeff Pedersen, *UPHCA*
Trina Hansen, *Ogden/ Weber Applied Tech College*
Corey Maisey, *Applicant*
Doug Leon, *Davis Applied Tech College*

MINUTES
David Halverson made a motion to approve the May 2009 Board meeting minutes as written. Ed Gongaware seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

COMPLIANCE
Susan Higgs presented the list of probationers and stated she had spoken to all of the probationers on the phone. All the quarterly employer reports have been received except for one. However, Higgs explained she had spoken to the employer and this report was on its way. When the report was received all the probationers would be in compliance.

GLORIA MILEY
This is Gloria Miley's last meeting. Miley has been on the Plumbing Board for eight years.

The Board expressed appreciation for her long years of service and dedication.

INVESTIGATIONS

Wayne Holman stated that investigation has been very busy and there are more complaints when the economy is down.

SCHOOLS

Trina Hansen from Ogden/Weber Applied Tech College indicated that there are number of students in their apprentice program that graduate without having the required 8,000 hours of work experience. This may be due to the student entering the program without initially being licensed as an apprentice or to layoffs because of the economy. Currently students are unable to take the journeyman test until the work experience requirement is met. Hansen asked if the board could consider allowing students to test right after completing school. The conjecture is that students taking the test right out of school would have a better chance of passing. The board indicated they would like to hear from industry and find out from PSI how to handle the certificate of completion submitted from the schools. This will be an agenda item for next month.

Doug Leon from Davis Applied Tech College stated in two weeks there would be curriculum development meeting. This was for the UCAT schools. However, all state technology colleges were invited, which included the Salt Lake Community College.

The schools wanted to find out where some of the questions come from that do not appear on the references listed on the PSI testing Candidate Information Bulletin (CIB). Dennis Meservy was of the opinion that all the questions came from the reference material listed on the CIB. The Board asked Meservy to follow-up with PSI.

TEST SCORES/PSI/SCHOOLS

Test scores from PSI were reviewed. According to Meservy, PSI has indicated the Master Plumber exam needs additional work. This means another exam review by PSI and industry later this year.

Competency tests were reviewed from Dixie Applied Tech College, Mountainland Applied Tech College, Salt Lake Community College and Southwest Applied Tech College.

The passing score is seventy percent, but Southwest Applied Tech College on their competency test showed a testing candidate with a passing score of forty percent. The Board asked Meservy to follow-up with Southwest.

DISCIPLINARY REVIEW

COREY MAISEY

Corey Maisey met with the Board. Meservy presented a proposed Memorandum of Understanding for Maisey to become an apprentice plumber with a probationary license. Halverson made a motion to approve the memorandum with the stipulations as noted, but with a probationary period of five years. Gloria Miley seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. This matter will now move forward to the Construction Services Commission.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

The board reviewed the electrician rule change proposed by the Electrical Board that applied to an approved curriculum of study. In this rule they addressed the recent creation of the Utah College of Applied Technology Board of Trustees by the state legislature. The Board compared their rule to the electricians. Gongaware, after the review, made a motion to add to the plumbing rule "Utah College of Applied Technology Board of Trustees" as a body that could approve a course of study. Halverson seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. This possible rule change will be discussed further at the next board meeting.

APPLICATION REVIEW

There were no out of state applications and applications with special concerns to review at this meeting.

TEST REVIEW/GAS CERTIFICATION

Halverson made a motion to close the meeting to review the Rocky Mountain Gas Association (RMGA) and the Home Builders Association (HBA) natural gas certifications tests. Gongaware seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. The meeting was closed at 10:30 A.M.

The Board then reviewed both the RMGA exam and the HBA exam. Halverson made a motion to deny the HBA natural gas certification exam as equivalent. Gongaware seconded the motion and all members voted in favor. This matter will now be referred back to the Construction Services Commission.

All business concluded meeting adjourned at 12:35 P.M.

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) David Told _____ Date: July 1, 2009
David Told, Board Chair

(ss) Dennis Meservy _____ Date: July 1, 2009
Dennis Meservy, Bureau Manager