

## MINUTES

### HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

OCTOBER 17, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Robert Barrieau, Acting Chairperson at 10:15 a.m. on October 17, 2013 in Room 117 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

**Members Present:**

Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson	Unlimited Contractor
Thomas F. Casey, Jr.	Unlimited Contractor
David G. Foster	Unlimited/General Contractor
Michael Rosario	Unlimited Journeyperson
John T. Higgins, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyperson
Philip H. Benoit	Sheet Metal Journeyperson
Christopher M. Dupuis	Public Member

**Members Absent:**

Cameron G. Champlin, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyperson
Patrick Duane	Sheet Metal Contractor

**Board Vacancies:**

Three Public Members

**Dept. of Consumer Protection Staff Present:**

Richard Hurlburt, Director  
Karen Layman, Secretary  
Anthony Santoro, Esq.

**Dept. of Labor Apprenticeship Rep. Present:**

Paul Femia

<b>Public Present:</b>	Stephen Cenatiempo, Jr.	Kevin Ortega	Dennis Pelletier
	Bruce Frosolone	Stephen Reinhart	Andrew LaLuna
	Stephen Chojnowski	Kenneth Pignone	Jose Mendez
	Wesley Cyr		

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## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2013 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting as written.

## **COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:**

None

## **APPEARING IN PERSON SEEKING GENERAL GUIDANCE:**

### **Stephen Cenatiempo, Jr., Norwalk, CT**

Mr. Cenatiempo, Jr. appeared seeking guidance from the Board.

### **Kevin Ortega, Stamford, CT**

Mr. Ortega appeared seeking guidance from the Board.

## **APPEARING IN PERSON FOR APPEAL:**

### **Wesley Cyr, Torrington, CT – (S-4) Unlimited Journeyman - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Cyr's (S-4) application due to lack of required hours of related instruction. The Board requires proof of an additional 144 hours of related instruction.

### **Bruce Frosolone, East Haven, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Frosolone's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction. The Board advised Mr. Frosolone to contact D.O.L to determine the amount of registered hours of apprenticeship he has completed, and also that he may consider changing the category of his application to a (B-2) license type.

### **Steven Reinhart, Hopkinton, RI – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Reinhart's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

### **Stephen Chojnowski, Bristol, CT – (S-8) Limited Journeyman – Conditional Approval for (B-2)**

After discussion with the Board, Mr. Chojnowski chose to amend the category of license sought on his application from (S-8) to (B-2). The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve Mr. Chojnowski's (B-2) application, contingent upon review of related instruction completed by a qualified educator and, if applicable, completion of courses required for the (B-2) license type.

## **NEW APPLICATIONS:**

### **Mark Baldo, Milford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Baldo's (S-2) application.

### **Danny Cabral, Monroe, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Approved**

The Board voted to approve Mr. Cabral's (S-1) application. Board member Michael Rosario abstained from voting.

### **Maikel Cespedes, Norwalk, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Cespedes' application due to lack of the required (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman license for a minimum of two years.

### **Michael Cherry, Stamford, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Cherry's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate.

### **Raymond D'Amato, Jr., Enfield, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. D'Amato's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate for the (S-2) license type.

### **Albert DePellegrini, Stafford Springs, CT – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – Approved**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. DePellegrini's (SM-2) application.

### **Eric Diaz, Yonkers, NY – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Diaz's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

### **Leonardo Galarza, Jr., Shelton, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Galarza's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

### **Cristian Gonzalez, Danbury, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Gonzalez's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate.

### **Eugene Hammer, III, Katonah, NY – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Hammer's application due to lack of the required (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman License for a minimum of two years.

### **Andrew LaLuna, Ansonia, CT – (S-9) Limited Contractor – Approved for (S-10)**

Mr. LaLuna, after discussion with the Board, chose to amend the category of license sought on his application from (S-9) to (S-10). The Board voted unanimously to approve the (S-10) application based on equivalent experience and training. The Board also voted unanimously to waive the

required minimum two-year period for applying for the (S-9) Limited Contractor license, allowing him to apply for the (S-9) examination upon passage of the (S-10) exam.

**Jose Mendez, Manchester, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Mendez's application due to lack of apprentice completion certificate.

**John Minogue, New City, NY – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Minogue's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

**Noel Montanez-Cancel, Yonkers, NY – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Montanez-Cancel's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

**Joseph Moran, Wilbraham, MA – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman – Approve**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Moran's application.

**Kyle Morrell, Danbury, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Morrell's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

**James Pearson, Sr., Newtown, CT – (S-10) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Pearson's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion and required hours of related instruction.

**Nicholas Pini, East Haven, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Pini's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

**Dana Sanders, Stamford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Sanders' application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

**Scott Velleca, Wallingford, CT – (B-3) Limited Contractor – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Velleca's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

**Duane White, Hamden, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. White's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate for the (D-2) license type.

**Upul Weerakoon, Stamford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Weerakoon's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

## **APPLICATIONS ADDED TO AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:**

### **Andrew Cook, Oxford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Cook's (S-2) application.

### **Paul Mastropietro, Waterbury, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Mastropietro's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate and required hours of related instruction.

### **Aaron Nawskon, Westfield, MA – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Nawskon's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion certificate.

### **Hector Soto, East Hartford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Approved**

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Soto's (S-2) application.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Achieving Proper Enforcement for Occupational Trade Licenses**

Chairperson Bob Barrieau reported on the most recent meeting regarding trade licensing enforcement, which was held at the L.O.B., and is an independent, multi-trade, union and non-union group of concerned persons. The goal of the meetings is to assist in improving enforcement, including the recommendation for DCP to employ additional inspectors. Task forces have been assigned and will continue to meet and discuss recommendations. The next meeting with the legislators will be on November 6 at the L.O.B.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**None**

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

**1. Substitute House Bill No. 5387, Special Act No. 13-5 – An Act Establishing A Task Force To Study The Use Of Military Occupational Specialty Training As A Substitute For State License Requirements**

**The Board so noted.**

**DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:**

The Board reviewed a complaint report submitted by the Trade Practice Division for the period of 09/09/2010 to 09/09/2013, and a complaint report for the period of 10/09/2009 to 10/09/2013.

**COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:**

Board Member Chris Dupuis noted that there are currently three public member vacancies for this Board. The Board discussed pursuing additional members.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,  
Board Secretary

**The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 117.**

**Remaining 2013 Meeting Schedule:**

**November 14  
December 12**