MINUTES

UTAH ELECTRICIAN LICENSING BOARD

August 23, 2019

Room 474, 4th floor, 9:00 A.M.
Heber M. Wells Building
160 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

CONVENED: 9:04 a.m.  ADJOURNED: 10:38 a.m.

Bureau Manager:  Stephen Duncombe
Board Secretary:  Tracy Taylor

Board Members Present:  Sean Conlon, Acting Chair
John Simonsen
Mike Hartwell
Justin May

Board Members Absent:  Russell Lamoreaux

Guests:  Cody Eaton, Hunt Electric
Trina Hansen, OTech
Ralph Tasker, SLCC
Brad Stevens, IEC of Utah
Klaas DeBoer, NECA
Carl Brailsford, UETA
Ashley Spatafore, Capstone Strategies
David Spatafore, Capstone Strategies

DOPL Staff Present:  Boyce Barnes, Continuing Education
Jenna Mayne, Exam/Outreach Coordinator
KoriAnn Fausett, Compliance

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Approval of Minutes

Time: 2:42

Mr. Simonsen made a motion to approve the July 18, 2019
minutes. Mr. Hartwell seconded the motion. The motion
passed unanimously.

Investigation Update

This item is tabled until next month.
Time: 3:05

Continuing Education Update

Mr. Barnes provided the Board with a list of courses that were approved since the last meeting. Item noted with no action taken.

Time: 3:14

COMPLIANCE:

Probation Update

Ms. Fausett reported there are 20 electricians on probation. Item noted with no action taken.

Time: 6:28

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Review Exam Scores

The Board reviewed the results of examinations taken since the last meeting. Item noted with no action taken.

Time: 7:44

Exam Updates

Ms. Mayne provided the Board with an update on the practical exam review process and discussed some minor online difficulties that she is working through with PSI. Item noted with no action taken.

Time: 10:36
Ad Hoc Committee Update

Brad Stevens, Chairperson of the Education Ad Hoc Committee discussed difficulties acquiring information from the schools. Several schools have spoken verbally and are in agreement utilizing the same curriculum and administering similar competency exams, and therefore chose to only have one school respond. Mr. Stevens would prefer to hear directly from each school to make sure their representation is accounted for. Mr. Simonsen expressed some frustration, as the Committee is tasked with putting this information together for presentation to the Board for their review and recommendation. While it was stated that several technical colleges are all on the same page and in agreement verbally, it will be necessary for each school to provide their information and state their position for full transparency. Discussion was held regarding the IBEW and the IEC each having their own curriculum. Mr. Stevens expressed frustration as the Committee Chair in trying to meet the directive given by the Board while not having full cooperation from all schools. Mr. Stevens agreed to remain in place as chair with the help of Ms. Taylor, on behalf of the Board, in sending a follow up request for the information. In the event that a response is not received, the Committee will move forward and work with those school representatives that are participating. Mr. Duncombe reminded the Board and the Committee that a preliminary summary is to be presented to the OPLR Committee at the beginning of October. This is an ongoing discussion. Item noted with no action taken.

Time: 16:34

Expedit ed Licensure

The Board discussed several options for consideration towards expedited licensure. This discussion included competency based licensure as well. This is an ongoing discussion. Item noted with no action taken.

Time: 30:19

Letter from Division Director

The Board reviewed a letter from Division Director, Mark Steinagel regarding House Bill 226 and House Bill 90. The Board is holding ongoing discussion that encompasses competency based and expedited licensure. The Board also agreed that they have been following the direction of House Bill 90 for several years ahead of the directive. Item noted with no action taken.

Time: 1:24:57

ACTION ITEMS:

ADJOURN:

Adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record
the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

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Chairperson, Utah Electrician Licensing Board

Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing