

MINUTES

UTAH PLUMBERS LICENSING BOARD MEETING

February 05, 2020
Room 402 – 4th Floor – 9:00 AM
Heber M. Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 9:00 AM

ADJOURNED: 10:18 AM

Bureau Manager:

Stephen Duncombe

Board Secretary:

Tracy Taylor

Board Members Present

Rob Allen, Chairperson

Jared Taylor

Scott Marsell

Clay Thornton

Jeff Park

Board Members Absent

Guests:

Ralph Tasker, SLCC

Jeremy Haslam, UA 140

Dave Hill, UPHCA

Robert Bergman, UMCA

Carrie Francis, UMCA

Mike Beckstead, Utah Career Center

DOPL Staff Present:

Deborah Blackburn, Compliance Officer

Robyn Barkdull, Bureau Manager

Boyce Barnes, Continuing Education

Jenna Mayne, Examination Coordinator

Bobby Main, Investigations Supervisor

Lisa Lynn, Compliance Specialist

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Thornton made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 04, 2019 meeting. Mr. Marsell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Time: 2:01

Investigation Update

Time: 2:13

Continuing Education Update

Time: 3:09

Compliance: Probation Update

Time: 8:14

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Representative Mike Schultz

Time: 9:56

Review Exam Scores

Time: 10:41

Exam Review Update

Time: 12:52

Plumbers Licensing Act Rule R156-55c-102(1) Immediate Supervision

Time: 19:43

Plumbers Licensing Act Rule R156-55c-302c Expedited Licensure

Time: 50:02

Mr. Main provided the Board with an update on construction trades investigations. Item noted with no action taken.

Ms. Barkdull and Mr. Barnes provided the Board with a list of recently approved courses. Ms. Barkdull will check on the new course listed from Uintah Basin to ensure the correct number of core and professional hours are listed. Item noted with no action taken.

Ms. Lynn provided the Board with the compliance report, noting there are 11 plumbers currently on probation. Item noted with no action taken.

Mr. Duncombe received word that Representative Schultz will be unable to attend the meeting today but wanted to express his gratitude to the Board on their recent work and offered his assistance with anything they may need. Item noted with no action taken.

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

Ms. Mayne provided the Board with an update on the Plumber Licensing Exam Review. The Division will be moving forward with a new examination vendor beginning April 1, 2020. This will delay the review process temporarily. Ms. Mayne will look into moving the Southern Utah practical exam from April to March. Item noted with no action taken.

Mr. Allen discussed the approved language on "immediate supervision". Mr. Main provided some insight on enforcing the language. Item noted with no action taken.

Mr. Allen discussed the education requirements which includes hour language indicating the student would need to complete the 4B semester even if they qualified to take the journeyman plumber exams and ultimately passed, making the final semester moot. This item may be discussed in more detail at a later date. Item noted with no action taken.

Longstanding Apprentices

Mr. Allen discussed barriers to longstanding licensed apprentices with regards to their ability to pass the required examination(s). Mr. Allen discussed the possibility of some type of competency based requirement for those deemed highly qualified by their employer. This item will be discussed further at the next meeting. Item noted with no action taken.

Time: 50:58

Education Committee Update

Dave Hill, representing the Utah Plumbing and Heating Contractors Association provided the Board with an update from the Education Committee. This will be an ongoing discussion.

Time: 1:12:12

ADJOURN:

10:18 AM

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.

Date Approved


3/4/2020

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Chairperson, Plumber Licensing Board

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Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional Licensing