

**MINUTES**  
**UTAH SECURITY SERVICES**  
**LICENSING BOARD**  
**February 09, 2023**  
**Electronic Meeting with anchor location in Room 474**

**CONVENED:** 9:02 a.m.

**ADJOURNED:** 9:58 a.m.

**Bureau Manager:**  
**Board Secretary:**

Tracy Taylor  
Katie Corak

**Board Members Present:**

Nicholas Blanchette, Chairperson  
J. Daniel Schoenfeld  
Sean Ricks  
Sheriff Travis Tucker

**Board Members Absent:**

Chief Collen Jacobs  
Joshua Smith

**Guests:**

Ian McDonald, Raptor Security  
Austyn Kealoha, Koa Protective  
Ryan McKillop, S&S Labor Force  
Bradley Nielson, Blue Knight Defense of Utah  
Gary Miller, Surefox Utah Inc  
David Beard, Brinks Inc.  
Gary Garrison  
Seneca Jonelis-Quirante  
Shawn Kane  
Jovan Torres  
Chad Ferrin, HSS Inc.  
Ken Carpenter, HSS Inc.  
Heinrich Mokofisi  
Nat Newcomer, HSS Inc  
Kemp Barney, CBI Security  
Derek Evans, CBI Security  
John Tinsley, Utah Security Council

**TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**  
Approve Minutes:

**DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Mr. Blanchette made a motion to approve the December 08, 2022 minutes. Sheriff Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

Austyn Kealoha-QR

Mr. Kealoha attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. Kealoha reviewed his experience and job history with the Board. Mr. Ricks made a motion to approve Mr. Kealoha as qualifying agent for Koa Protective Services. Sheriff Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ryan McKillop-QR

Mr. McKillop attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. McKillop reviewed his experience and job history with the Board. Sheriff Tucker made a motion to approve Mr. McKillop as qualifying agent for S&S Labor Force Inc. Mr. Ricks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Bradley Neilson-QR

Mr. Neilson attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. Neilson reviewed his experience and job history with the Board. Mr. Blanchette made a motion to approve Mr. Neilson as the qualifying agent for Blue Knight Defense of Utah. Sheriff Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Gary Miller-QR

Mr. Miller attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. Miller reviewed his experience and job history with the Board. Mr. Ricks made a motion to approve Mr. Miller as the qualifying agent for Surefox Utah Inc. Sheriff Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

David Beard-QR

Mr. Beard attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. Beard reviewed his experience and job history with the Board. Mr. Blanchette made a motion to approve Mr. Beard as the replacement qualifying agent for Brinks Inc. Sheriff Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Gary Garrison-QR

Mr. Garrison attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. Garrison reviewed his experience and job history with the Board. Sheriff Tucker made a

motion to approve Mr. Garrison as the replacement qualifying agent for PalAmerican Security Inc. Mr. Blanchette seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Seneca Jonelis-Quirante-  
Renewal Review

Mr. Jonelis-Quirante attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. Blanchette reviewed Mr. Jonelis-Quirante's history since the last renewal. Mr. Jonelis-Quirante provided additional information on his plea in abeyance and pending charges and also answered questions from the Board. Mr. Blanchette made a motion to deny Mr. Jonelis-Quirante's renewal. Sheriff Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

David Isaac Vagaia-HR

Mr. Vagaia did not attend his appointment with the Board. Mr. Blanchette made a motion to deny Mr. Vagaia's application for licensure as an unarmed private security officer. Mr. Ricks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jovan Torres-HR

Mr. Torres attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. Blanchette reviewed Mr. Torres's history with the Board. Mr. Torres answered questions from the Board. Sheriff Tucker made a motion to deny Mr. Torres's application for licensure as an Unarmed Private Security Officer. Mr. Schoenfeld seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Brandon Edward Jensen-HR

Mr. Jensen did not attend his appointment with the Board. Mr. Blanchette made a motion to deny Mr. Jensen's application for licensure as an Unarmed Private Security Officer. Mr. Ricks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Heinrich Mokofisi-HR

Mr. Mokofisi attended his appointment with the Board. Mr. Blanchette reviewed Mr. Mokofisi's history with the Board. Mr. Mokofisi answered questions from the Board. Sheriff Tucker made a motion to deny Mr. Mokofisi's application for licensure as an Armed Private Security Officer. Mr. Ricks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:****HSS Firearms Education Program:**

The Board reviewed a firearms education program from HSS Inc, a licensed contract security company in Utah. Mr. Nat Newcomer, Mr. Ken Carpenter, and Mr. Chad Ferrin from HSS Inc attended the meeting and presented the program to the Board. Board members reported positive reviews of the program. Sheriff Tucker made a motion to approve HSS Inc's firearms education program. Mr. Blanchette seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**CBI Security Armed and  
Unarmed Education Programs:**

The Board reviewed armed and unarmed education programs from CBI Security, a licensed contract security company in Utah. Mr. Kemp Barney and Mr. Derek Evans from CBI Security attended the meeting and answered questions about the programs. Mr. Schoenfeld made a motion to approve CBI Security's Unarmed training program and Armed education program. Mr. Ricks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**CPR/AED/First Aid for  
Armored Car Core Training**

This item was tabled until the next meeting because Mr. Smith, who asked to discuss this topic, was not in attendance today.

**ADJOURN:**


Adjourned at 9:58 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.*

Date: 04/13/2023

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X: Nicholas Blanchette  
[Nicholas Blanchette \(Apr 13, 2023 11:01 MDT\)](#)  
Security Services Licensing Board Chairperson

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Bureau Manager, Division of Professional  
Licensing