

## MINUTES

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

JANUARY 16, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Robert Barrieau, Acting Chairperson at 10:14 p.m. on January 16, 2014 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
Cameron G. Champlin, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyperson
Philip H. Benoit	Sheet Metal Journeyperson

**Members Absent:**

Michael Rosario	Unlimited Journeyperson
Patrick Duane	Sheet Metal Contractor
John T. Higgins, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyperson
Christopher M. Dupuis	Public Member

**Board Vacancies:**

Three Public Members

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

Richard Hurlburt, Director  
Karen Layman, Secretary

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

Paul Femia

**Public Present:** Eugene Hammer    Chris Sanchez    Ron Sarasin

**Note:** The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2013 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting as written. Board member Cameron Champlin abstained.

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

None

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

Charlie Miller, Trumbull, CT – Failure to appear; no action taken

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

### **Christopher Sanchez, Stonington, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Conditional approval**

Mr. Sanchez appeared before the Board today. The Board voted unanimously to conditionally approve Mr. Sanchez's (D-2) application, contingent upon submission of application to PSI.

### **Eugene Hammer, III, Katonah, NY – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman - Approved**

Mr. Hammer appeared before the Board today for appeal of 12/12/13 denial. The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Hammer's (S-2) application. The Board further ruled that, upon passage of the (S-2) examination, he be approved to take the (S-1) exam without waiting the two-year period.

## **APPEALS:**

### **Brian Simpson, Franklin, IN – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Simpson's application due to lack of meeting Connecticut state apprenticeship requirements for S-1 license.

### **Timothy Tagman, East Brookfield, MA – (B-4) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Tagman's application due to lack of on the job training and required hours of related instruction. The Board requests that he appear in person at the next board meeting.

## **NEW APPLICATIONS:**

### **Jose Astacio, Trumbull, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Astacio's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion letter. It was confirmed that Mr. Astacio has completed his apprenticeship. Mr. Astacio should obtain such letter and submit to DCP for Department approval.

**Kyle Bridgewater, Avon, CT – (D-4) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Bridgewater's application due to lack of apprenticeship, on the job training, and related instruction.

**Steven DeFino, Mahopac, NY – (SM-2) Limited Journeyman – Approved**

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

**Ali Gishta, Waterbury, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Gishta's application due to lack of apprenticeship completion letter. It was confirmed that Mr. Gishta has completed his apprenticeship, therefore, his employer should contact the Dept. of Labor to request completion letter.

**Anthony O'Sullivan, Trumbull, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. O'Sullivan's application due to lack of apprenticeship, on the job training, and related instruction.

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

**Yoni Blanco, Port Chester, NY – (B-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Blanco's application due to lack of apprenticeship and on the job training.

**Keith Fournier, S. Hadley, MA – (B-4) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Fournier's application. The Board noted that the Connecticut license type B-2 is the license type most closely related to Mr. Fournier's Massachusetts license, therefore, he may opt to change the license type on the application to a B-2 and return to the Board for reconsideration.

**Theodore Jackson, Fairfield, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied**

Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Jackson's application due to lack of documentation of existing license.

**David Viera, Stamford, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman - Denied**

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Viera's application due to lack of sufficient amount of apprenticeship registered time. The Board requests that Mr. Viera appear before them for further discussion.

**Booker Washington, III, Waterbury, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Conditional approval**

Board voted to conditionally approve Mr. Washington's (D-2) application, contingent upon further processing by DCP staff. Board member Tom Casey abstained.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Enforcement for Occupational Trade Licensing**

The Committee is waiting for legislature to reconvene in 2014 for further action to be taken. Mr. Barrieau will contact Melissa Sheffy to obtain the draft legislation that was submitted.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Military Occupational Specialty Task Force Report  
**The Board so noted.**

**DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:**

The Complaint Status Report submitted by Trade Practices was reviewed by the Board.

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

None

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,  
Board Secretary

**2014 Meeting Schedule:**

- **February 20, 2014**
- **March 20, 2014**
- **April 17, 2014**
- **May 15, 2014**
- **June 19, 2014**
- **July 17, 2014**
- **August 21, 2014**
- **September 18, 2014**
- **October 16, 2014**
- **November 20, 2014**
- **December 18, 2014**

**Meetings will be held in Room 117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut at 10:00 a.m.**