

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS' LICENSING BOARD

I. General Information

Meeting Dates: May 20-21, 2010
Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore
2225 North Lois Avenue
Tampa, Florida 33607

Members Present: Mr. Noel Thomas, Chair
Mr. Brian Flaherty, Vice-Chair
Mr. Roger Langer
Mr. Robert Bramlett
Mr. Clarence Tibbs
Mr. Pierre Bellemare
Mr. Paul Sandefer
Mr. Kenneth Hoffmann
Mr. Reagan Huff

Members Absent: None

Other Attendees: Ms. Juanita Chastain, Executive Director
Ms. Ruthanne Christie, Government Analyst
Ms. LeChea Parson, Prosecuting Attorney
Ms. Deborah Loucks, Assistant Attorney General
Other interested parties

II. Major Issues/Actions

- The board voted to answer Mr. Szyrka's petition for declaratory statement in the affirmative. The question posed to the board was "As part of an Electrical Contractors' license issued by the State of Florida, is directional boring, auger boring, jacking and boring, trenchless technology operations, and conduit installation within public right-of-way and easements included in the scope of work of electrical contractors or unlimited electrical contractors as fined in Chapter 489, Part II, of Florida Statutes?"
- The board denied a request for waiver of Rule 61G6.6.017, FAC, to waive the two year expiry date of the examination.
- The board reviewed the continuing education applications.
- Ms. Parson, prosecuting attorney, presented nine disciplinary cases to the board. Four hearings pursuant to s.120.57(2), FS, were acted upon, four settlement stipulations were rejected, and one motion for waiver was heard and acted upon.
- The board held sixteen application hearings not involving disputed issues of fact. Fifteen denials were reversed and approved, and one denial was upheld.
- The board held five application reconsiderations. One application was withdrawn, one application was approved to inactive, and three application denials were reversed and approved.
- The board voted to accept the probation report.
- The board requested the Bureau of Education and Testing's (BET) to conduct a review of the low voltage examination and requested that high voltage questions be removed.
- Ms. Chastain provided a copy of the Division of Regulation's enforcement report.

- Ms. Parson gave the prosecuting attorney report. Currently there are 7 cases received in legal, and 40 cases set for probable cause. The board voted to continue prosecuting year-old cases.
- Ms. Loucks gave the rules report.
- The board approved the minutes of the May 2009 and March 2010 meetings.
- The board directed Ms. Loucks to notice Rule 61G6-7.001, FAC, for development and promulgation to clarify the scope of certification.
- The board received the March 31, 2010 financial reports. Ms. Chastain reminded the board that the renewal notices would go out May 31, 2010, and that the \$75 one-time assessment was being requested and would help resolve the negative balances.
- The board approved the ratification lists of the continuing education committee, examination application review, additional business application review, application review and the ratification list of applications processed by department staff. The list will be attached to the minutes of the meeting and incorporated by reference.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Ms. Loucks to notice Rule 61G6-7.001, FAC, for development and promulgation.

IV. Action Required

- Final orders to be prepared by Ms. Loucks and Ms. Parson.
- The following board meetings have been scheduled:
July 14-16, 2010, Celebration Hotel, Celebration
September 15-17, 2010, Embassy Suites, Ft. Lauderdale
November 17-19, 2010, Department of Business and Professional Regulation,
Tallahassee

Juanita Chastain
Executive Director