

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Electrical Contractors' Licensing Board Meeting

Meeting Type: General Board Meeting

Meeting Date: September 26-28, 2007, Regal Sun Resort, Lake Buena Vista, Florida

Board Members: Pierre Bellemare, Chair
Clarence Tibbs, Vice Chair
Norman Mugford
Jeff Kinner
Roger Langer
Donald Penner
Paul Sandefer
Robert Bramlett
Noel Thomas
Reagan Huff
Sandra MacGowan

Other Attendees: Anthony B. Spivey, Executive Director
Ruthanne Christie, Government Analyst
Reginald Dixon, Assistant Attorney General
Michael Flurry, Assistant Attorney General
Drew Winters, Prosecuting Attorney

Major Issues/Actions

- The probable cause panel met and heard 16 cases. Of the total, the panel heard two administrative complaints, and found probable cause in each case. A total of 12 closing orders were heard, and the panel closed seven cases with a letter of guidance. Five cases were closed because of insufficient evidence, and the panel closed two reconsiderations because no additional extenuating circumstances were presented.
- The board voted to set up a committee to meet and discuss via teleconference an agenda for the journeyman discussion to be held during the November board meeting scheduled in Tallahassee. The committee will discuss the agenda material during the last week in October. The board is providing a venue for electrical and alarm associations to discuss their feelings on the training standards for journeyman.
- Some members of the board indicated investigations of complaints originating in the Jacksonville area appear not to be receiving follow-up on the investigations. The Executive Director indicated this information would be passed along to the department for review and response.
- Alex Bosque and Julia Gould presented a very informative session on the benefits of moving the technical examination for the electrical and alarm contractors to a central based testing format. Mr. Bosque and Ms. Gould informed the board this process is still about a year away from fruition and the presentation was a starting point to inform the members of the availability of central based testing.

The board was receptive of the endeavor. The business portion of the examination is currently being administered through a CBT format.

- The board was apprised of the financial figures for the reporting period as of June 30, 2007 for the operating and unlicensed activity account. The accounts' ending balances were negative (\$40,467) and \$40,467 respectively.
- Mr. Dixon presented six cases before the board for hearings not involving disputed issues of material fact. Of the six cases presented, the board reversed four denials and approved the applications. The board did uphold one denial, and one application was withdrawn by the applicant.

Anthony B. Spivey, Executive Director
October 3, 2007