

State of Iowa Electrical Examining Board Meeting Minutes  
February 4, 2021  
Approved

Board Members Present

Dan Wood

Board Members Present by Conference Call

Marg Stoldorf, Chairperson

Todd Cash, Vice Chair

TJ Meiners

Tim Gerald

John Claeys

Colby Black

Bob Hendricks

Staff Members Present

Brian Young, Executive Secretary

Cindi Hayes, Secretary II

Staff Member Present by Conference Call

John Lundquist, Assistant Attorney General's Office

Public Present by Conference Call

Justin Hupfer – National Electrical Contractors Association – NECA

Angela Bowersox – National Electrical Contractors Association – NECA

Chair Stoldorf called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

CP Stoldorf asked the board members to introduce themselves.

CP Stoldorf asked non-board members who joined by phone to introduce themselves.

CP Stoldorf moved to the first item on the agenda, which was the discussion on the 2020 NEC adoption regarding ARC 5287C and emergency rules. CP Stoldorf asked the Code Adoption Subcommittee Chair Meiners to take over.

Meiners stated that the Administrative Rules Review Committee (ARRC) would probably be agreeable to the adoption of the code, providing the rules discussed at the last subcommittee meeting, are put forth. Meiners then asked ES Young to clarify the procedure process. ES Young stated that it would be put forth by emergency rule depending on the outcome of today's meeting. If the Board is in favor of this, ES Young would contact the Board's administrative rule writer to draft up the emergency rule which would then go to the Legislative Services Agency (LSA), to be reviewed. Then proposed emergency rule would be submitted to the ARRC members with the request if the proposed emergency rule could be placed on their next agenda, which hopefully would be in late February or early March.

ES Young went on to explain how the emergency rule would affect the proposed ARC 5287C adoption, which was delayed for 70-days. If the emergency rule was to be accepted at the next ARRC hearing, the emergency rule could go into effect immediately and over-ride the 70-day delay placed on ARC 5287C. ES

Young stated he would like the board to give the board staff a bit of variance on the effective date, since the emergency rule could go into effect the same day of the ARRC hearing.

With that variance, ES Young will work with LSA, Representative Jones, and the ARRC for the emergency rule to have a delayed effective date, tentatively, as April 1, 2021. This would allow board staff time to reach out to the affected AHJ's and contractors that are tasked with enforcing the code.

Meiners expressed concerns the board had with adopting the 2020 NEC without amendments, however, the board's proposed amendments received opposition from the ARRC. The present discussion is a compromise between the Board and the ARRC in hopes to proceed with code adoption, and this compromise would provide some time for the bugs to get worked out. CP Stoldorf called for a motion. Gerald made a **motion that on April 1, 2021 to adopt the 2020 NEC with the 2 amendments regarding the GFCI requirement for 250-volt receptacles in Art. 210.8(A) and GFCI requirement on outdoor outlets per Art. 210.8(F) and on January 1, 2022, the amendments are taken out and the 2020 NEC adopted in full.** Meiners **seconded** the motion. 6 Aye, 1 Abstain (Wood), 1 Not Voting (Stoldorf). Motion carries.

CP Stoldorf called for public comment, of which there was none.

The next item on the agenda was Other Board Business. ES Young stated that he is wanting to meet with the Rules Subcommittee regarding HF 2627 on February 9, 2021.

Meiners made a **motion to adjourn.** Hendricks **seconded** the motion. Chair Stoldorf called for the vote, All Aye, and motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindi Hayes, Secretary II