

State of Iowa Electrical Examining Board Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2019  
**Approved**

Board Members Present

Marg Stoldorf, Chairperson  
Kyle Barnhart  
John Claeys  
Bob Hendricks  
Dan Wood  
Tim Gerald  
Tammy Cooper

Board Members Present by Conference Call

Todd Cash, Vice Chair  
TJ Meiners  
Kathleen Stoppelmoor

Board Members Not Present

Penny Clark

Staff Members Present

Brian Young, Executive Secretary  
Cindi Hayes, Secretary II  
John Lundquist, Assistant Attorney General's Office (Arrived at 10:07 a.m.)

Chair Stoldorf called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Chair Stoldorf asked for the board members to introduce themselves.

Chair Stoldorf moved to the first item on the agenda, which was the approval of the meeting minutes from February 21, 2019. Cooper made a **motion to approve the open and closed minutes with corrections to the year at the top of the open minutes and Yay to Aye in four locations on the open minutes**. Claeys **seconded** the motion. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was the report of the Executive Secretary, and Chair Stoldorf turned the meeting over to ES Young.

ES Young reviewed the financial report, which was previously provided to the Board for their review, and he directed the Board's attention to revenue and expense items.

ES Young requested to rearrange the agenda to accommodate the Waiver Request from Derek Gosselink, who was present, so Derek could return to work. ES Young explained the waiver request process and the testing process. After allowing Mr. Gosselink to explain his situation and ES Young offering suggestions for continuing education classes to help Mr. Gosselink pass his exam, Claeys made a **motion to allow Mr. Gosselink to sit for the Journeyman exam another two times after completing 12 hours of NEC related continuing education**. Gerald **seconded** the motion. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

The next item on ES Young's report was the civil penalty letters for electricians working without licenses. ES Young explained the civil penalty process. Those individuals receiving civil penalty letters were: *Derick*

*Rachu, Ricardo Campuzano, Abe Miller, Austin Hernandez, Kristopher Wolf, Alex Vorwald, Brandon Garvis, Derek Menke, Kenton Hensley, Taylor Wirth, Joseph Wallace, Eddie Rush, Trey Currie, Kory Meister, Aaron Caulfield, Brandon Logue, Jarrett Ertl, Benjamin Goodrich, Bradley Kuhl, Paul Ramirez, Levi Sebolt, Blake Smith, Riley Waters, Donald Wright, Spencer Blair, Austin Crady, Joshua DeVos, Tim Forkner, Jason Hanna, Devin Hugen, Andrew Vest, Zachary Welter, Dustin Scott, Scott Parker, Tanner Kollbaum, & Jason Anania.* Barnhart made **motion to approve the letters**, and Hendricks **seconded** the motion. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

ES Young directed the Board to the list of enforcement letters that had been sent out from February 5, 2019 through April 10, 2019 for permitting and inspection violations, which do not require Board action. ES Young explained the enforcement letter process stating enforcement letters are sent out to individuals that are not in compliance with Iowa Code 103. Those individuals receiving enforcement letters were: *Craig Sieverding, Nick Palmersheim, Crystal Ring, Paul Rabalais, Bruce Rhum, Scott Haubrich, Land O Lakes - Purina Feeds, Twila Kyarsgaard, Martin Brandyn, Sean Rogers, John Stevens, Merissa Hammann, Raymond L Smith, Burke Electric - Chad Behrens, Joe & Julie Carstensen, Charles Burroughs, Craig Hackett, Bryce Hoben, & Bret Cox (Permit Required), Buch Brothers Construction – Dan & Tim Buch, Matthew Talcott, Caitlin Benson, & John Nanning (Cease & Desist), Stephens Electrical Services - Richard Dean Stephens & The Electrician - Russell Muntz (Unethical Conduct), Elite Electric - Randy Speth & North Iowa Electrical Services - Rial David (Improper Supervision), Elite Electric LLC – Kevin Lisk (Improper Licensure)*

The next item on the agenda was a permitting system update. ES Young explained that the start date was March 12, 2019. It is in the design stage and data migration is being studied. Looking at a tentative August completion. ES Young stressed the need of the new permit system, as the old system will occasionally not issue a permit number, but processes the customer's payment.

The next item on the agenda was for ES Young to attend the National Electrical Reciprocal Alliance (NERA) meeting in Utah, August 14 – 16, 2019, and whether ES Young would have voting rights. ES Young said that in the past, he had traditionally come to the Board and asked if they wanted him to attend. He said that if he was aware of anything in advance that would need voted on, he would bring to the Board's attention. Gerald made a **motion to approve ES Young attending the meeting with voting rights**. Barnhart **seconded** the motion. All in favor; motion carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was a discussion of the felony application process. ES Young stated that Senate File 567 passed on 4/15/2019 and is now going to the governor to sign. Chair Stoldorf explained that this law will relieve the Electrical Board from having to review non-violent felony offenses. The Rule Making committee would meet to draw up rules regarding this. Sexual or violent felony applications will still be reviewed by the Electrical Examining Board. AAG Lundquist stated that he would work with the Plumbing and Mechanical Board's attorney to make sure the rules for both boards are similar.

The next item on the agenda was to discuss Responsible Master licenses. ES Young stated that from electrical licensing inception, the ratio allowed is 1 Responsible Master to 1 Electrical Contractor, unless there are special circumstances, such as being an owner of two companies. ES Young reached out to NERA members; with 8 replying, they agreed with the 1:1 ratio. Contractors could appeal to the Executive Secretary for review of their request. After discussion, it was decided to have staff continue doing what they have been doing, and agreed it should remain a 1:1 ratio.

ES Young requested to rearrange the agenda regarding Other Board Business. ES Young stated that inspector staffing has been difficult. There are currently 3 inspectors out for various reasons for unknown lengths of time. There is one temporary inspector that is currently working. ES Young is going to submit a PDQ to fill one inspector position in northwest Iowa.

ES Young also asked for guidance from the Board and AAG Lundquist regarding some late correspondence from a continuing education provider who submitted a Waiver Request for a continuing education class that was held before the course and the instructor were approved. AAG Lundquist requested the Waiver Request be tabled so it can be added to the next board meeting agenda. ES Young stated the instructor and the class have now been approved, when in fact, the course was taught prior to approval is at issue.

In other Board Business, ES Young thanked Kyle Barnhart for his 6 years of serving on the Electrical Examining Board. John Claeys and Kathleen Stoppelmoor were re-appointed to the Board and Colby Black has been appointed to take Barnhart's position on the Board.

The next item on the agenda was to review license applications where a felony record was indicated.

ES Young turned the meeting back to Chair Stoldorf who suggested the board go into closed session, as indicated on the Agenda, to properly discuss the applications where there is a statutory requirement to protect information not available in the public domain.

Barnhart made a **motion** to **go in to closed session to discuss felony applications**. Gerald **seconded** the motion. Chair Stoldorf asked AAG Lundquist to verify why the Board was going into closed session, and if it is being done under advice of Counsel, which he stated was 21.5(1)(a), and he confirmed it is upon his advice. Motion carried, with roll call vote as follows:

Claeys – Yes  
Hendricks - Yes  
Wood – Yes  
Barnhart – Yes  
Stoldorf – Yes  
Gerald – Yes  
Cooper - Yes  
Stoppelmoor – Yes  
Meiners - Yes  
Cash – Yes

Board left Open Session at 11:27 a.m.

*Closed session here (corresponding Minutes are omitted and not public).*

OPEN MINUTES RESUME

Board returned to Open Session at 12:07 p.m.

The Board returned to the agenda item on license applications, and proceeded to vote.

In regard to the previously denied Unclassified Person application for Jared Heaton; Barnhart made a **motion to reaffirm denial of licensure**, and Claeys **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Apprentice application for Kyle Blocker; Gerald made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**, and Barnhart **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Apprentice application for Jordan Conwell; Barnhart made a **motion to reaffirm denial of licensure**, and Gerald **seconded** the motion. 9 Aye, 1 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Journeyman Class A application for Tim Schaefer; Gerald made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**, and Cooper **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Unclassified Person application for Sin Won Yoo; Gerald made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**, and Barnhart **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Unclassified Person application for Savanna Wentland; Barnhart made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**, and Gerald **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Unclassified Person application for Marshall Field; Gerald made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**, and Barnhart **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Unclassified Person application for Jason Rochette; Gerald made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**, and Claeys **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Unclassified Person application for Atli Heimisson; Gerald made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**, and Barnhart **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Unclassified Person application for Kevin Seifert, Barnhart made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**. Gerald **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Apprentice application for Ryan McClendon; Gerald made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**. Barnhart **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the previously denied Unclassified Person application for Matthew Johnston, Barnhart made a **motion to reconsider and approve licensure**, and Gerald **seconded** the motion. 8 Aye, 2 Nay. Motion carried.

In regard to the Unclassified Person application for Cole Francis; Gerald made a **motion to approve licensure**, and Cooper **seconded** the motion. 10 Aye, 0 Nay. Motion carried.

The next Board meeting will be held on June 20, 2019.

Claeys made a **motion to adjourn**. Hendricks **seconded** the motion. All in favor; motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindi Hayes, Secretary II