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The Alabama Board of Electrical Contractors

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MINUTES
Board Meeting
March 7, 2016

The Alabama Board of Electrical Contractors met on Monday, March 7, 2016 at the Board's Office located at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, in order to conduct business. Those members in attendance were as follows: Mr. Jay Stutts (Chair), Mr. Mark Lamborne (Vice Chair), Mr. Chuck Turner, Mr. Gary Reaves, Mr. Bruce Taylor, and Mr. Mike Custred. Not in attendance were Mr. Ron Weaver, Mr. Richard Meadows, and Mr. Jeremy Vinson. Also in attendance were Mr. Randy Barrows (Administrator), Ms. Hendon Coody (General Counsel), Mr. Mike James (Investigator) and Ms. Renee' Reames (Executive Secretary to Mr. Warren, Executive Director and recording secretary).

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Mr. Stutts, Board Chair, and a quorum was present to conduct business. The regularly scheduled meeting was advertised on the Board's web site, www.aecb.alabama.gov, and the Secretary of State's website, www.sos.state.al.us, in accordance with requirements of the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

The minutes from the January 11, 2016 regularly scheduled meeting were presented for approval. The Board members were provided a copy of the minutes prior to the meeting for their review. Mr. Lamborne made a motion to approve the January minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Turner and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board discussed consecutive absences by Board members and lack of representation from their geographical area. The Board reviewed the statute (§34-36-4(k)) regarding attendance and Mr. Turner made a motion to notify the Governor by recommending Mr. Terry Wallace to represent the 2nd Congressional District and to notify Mr. Vinson. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reaves and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Barrows presented the Executive Director's Report that included a detailed financial report of expenditures and revenue as of March 1, 2016 (report filed for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). Mr. Barrows reported on the number of active and inactive licensees, along with the number of complaints received to-date in FY 2016. Mr. Turner made a motion to accept the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reaves and unanimously approved by the Board.

The report on Board projects was tabled by Mr. Stutts and Mr. Warren would report on this matter upon his arrival.

Ms. Coody presented the General Counsel Report. She presented a draft of the modified Continuing Education rule for the Board's consideration. She reviewed the proposed modifications with the Board, which required electrical contractors completing and reporting CE hours 60 days prior to the expiration date of their license, along with a late fee should the board wish to create if the rule change of "60 days prior" does not alleviate the online administrative problem of obtaining CE hours at the last-minute. Mr. Barrows reported that the licensee database on the Board's website was being updated to allow licensees to view their continuing education hours. Mr. Lamborne made a motion to approve the proposed modified Continuing Education rule as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Taylor and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Coody also reported that she was working on closing the complaints that had been investigated and had no new business to report concerning the FY 2016 complaint cases.

Ms. Coody presented a request from a license asking to be exempt from completing CE hours for their 2015 license renewal period. Following discussion of the Board's CE rule and the hardship expressed in the licensee's letter, Mr. Turner made a motion to exempt seven (7) of the 14 CE hours required for the 2015 renewal period. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reaves and unanimously approved by the Board. Mr. Stutts asked Mr. Warren to write a letter to the licensee notifying him of the Board's decision.

Mr. Lamborne made a motion to approve the new Continuing Education Provider, RAB Electrical Contractor Training. The motion was seconded by Mr. Turner and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Lamborne made the motion to approve the Reciprocity applications as presented (a list available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. Custred and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Lamborne made a motion to approve the Journeyman applications for examination as presented (a list available for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. Turner and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Lamborne made a motion to approve the Electrical Contractor applications for examination as presented, based on one Board member's review (a list available in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. Taylor and unanimously approved by the Board.

The Board discussed creating a residential license and Mr. Stutts asked Mr. Warren to meet with the Home Builder's Board staff regarding this matter. Mr. Taylor stated that if the Board proceeded with this new licensing category, he suggested that the examination be very specific to the trade.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board is scheduled May 9, 2106 at 10:00 a.m.

There was no further business of the Board and Mr. Stutts adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse P. Stutts, III
Chair

Keith E. Warren
Executive Director

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