



State of Alabama

## **The Alabama Board of Electrical Contractors**

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### **MINUTES**

#### **Board Meeting**

**January 27, 2020**

The Alabama Board of Electrical Contractors met on Monday, January 27, 2020 at the Board's Office located at 2777 Zelda Road, Montgomery, Alabama, to conduct business. Those members in attendance were Mr. Mike Custred (Board Chair), Mr. Johnny Grimes (Vice Chair), Mr. Mac McCreless (member), Mr. Fred Moore (member), Mr. Terry Wallace (member), Mr. Theodore Blunt (new member) and Mr. Robert Lamborne (new member). Members not in attendance were Mr. Jay Stutts, III (member) and Mr. Bruce Taylor (member). Also in attendance were Mr. Keith Warren (Executive Director), Ms. Hendon Coody (General Counsel), Mr. Randy Barrows (Administrator), Mr. Mike Weeks (Legislative Affairs), Ms. Jennifer Love (Legal Assistant), Mr. Mike James (Board Investigator) and Ms. Renee' Reames (recording secretary).

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Mr. Custred, Board Chair. Mr. Warren called roll of the members and a quorum was present to conduct business. The meeting was advertised on the Board's website, [www.aecb.alabama.gov](http://www.aecb.alabama.gov), and the Secretary of State's website, [www.sos.alabama.gov](http://www.sos.alabama.gov), in accordance with requirements of the Alabama Open Meetings Act.

The oath of office was administered by Mr. Warren to Mr. Theodore Blunt and Mr. Robert Lamborne, as new members to the Board, along with Mr. Terry Wallace, Mr. Fred Moore, Mr. Johnny Grimes and Mr. Mac McCreless as members reappointed to the Board.

The Board meeting minutes from the November 18, 2019 meeting were presented by Chairman Custred for the Board's approval. The Board members were provided a copy of the minutes prior to the meeting for their review. Ms. Coody explained that on page 2, recommendation regarding disciplinary action for a first offense should read a \$5000 cap on multiple violations in the same complaint. Mr. Barrows indicated that on page 3, the 2020 NEC had been released. Mr. Wallace made a motion to approve the November minutes with the corrections on pages 2 and 3. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren presented the Executive Director's Report that included a financial summary for the period ending December 31, 2019. The report included line-item expenditures for the same period, along with the number of current licensees and complaints received during FY 2019 (report filed for viewing in the Board's official Book of Minutes).

Mr. Warren also presented the Administrator's Report on the activities accomplished by the staff since the last Board meeting.

Mr. Wallace made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously approved by the Board.

Ms. Coody indicated that she had no new complaint matters to discuss with the Board.

Ms. Coody presented a draft of proposed changes to the Board's statute. The Board discussed the following changes: add journeyman electricians as a required license; add definition of an electrical worker and provisional license; remove reference to a master electrician and keep language consistent referencing an electrical contractor; modify the language for election of Board officers and duties to include subpoena of witnesses, the investigation of complaints and providing for reciprocity in licensure; reduce the time that an expired license may be restored from five years to two years after expiration; and modify the language for exemptions by removing the authority of a county or municipality to require an additional electrical contracting proficiency examinations.

The Board discussed adding language that further protected the public concerning a licensed electrical contractor's failure to sufficiently oversee and be responsible for journeyman electricians and workers, clarifying an employer/employee relationship, including non-license electrical work when conducting investigation of complaints for alleged violations, and defining a provisional license.

Mr. Wallace made a motion to approve the proposed statute changes, with the additions as presented and discussed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously approved by the Board.

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

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

Mr. McCreless made the motion to approve new providers of continuing education for electrical contractors. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously approved by the Board.

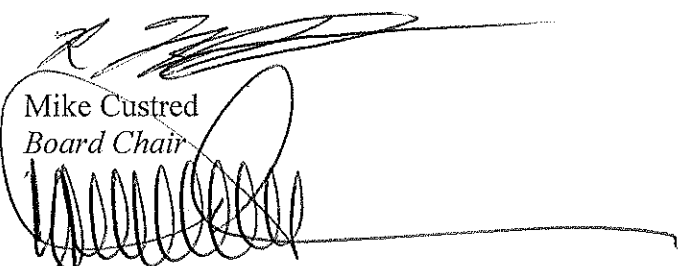
Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the Electrical Contractor applications for examination as presented (a list available in the Board's official Book of Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mr. Grimes and unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Warren reminded the Board members about the Board member training scheduled January 29, 2020.

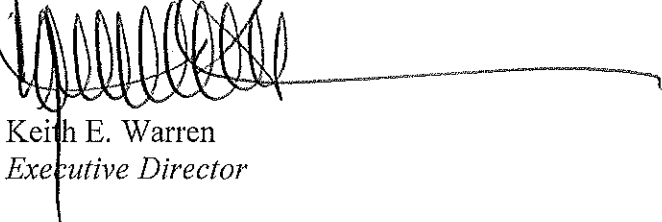
Chairman Custred announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board was March 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

There was no further business to discuss and Mr. Wallace made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lamborne, and Chairman Custred adjourned the meeting at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mike Custred  
*Board Chair*



Keith E. Warren  
*Executive Director*

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