

ELEVATOR MECHANICS LICENSING BOARD
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

Date: Thursday, July 5, 2012

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building, 1st Floor
335 Merchant Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: Ron Nakamine, Industry Member, Chair
Marc Yamane, Industry Member, Vice Chair
Lawrence T. Morinaga, Industry Member
Richard Louis, Public Member
Alan Taniguchi, Executive Officer
Rod Tam, Deputy Attorney General
Alice Worthy, Secretary

Guests: None

Excused: Ken Hovanian, Industry Member
Judith Jordan, Public Member
DLIR Designee

Agenda: The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS").

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 1:36 p.m. by Chair Nakamine.

Additions to the Agenda: None

The Chair announced that the agenda would be taken out of order.

Examination: Thomson Prometric Exam Writing

A conference call by the Board was made to Elizabeth Shamla, Client Services Mgr, Government & Academic, and Jeffrey Falla, Test Developer, of Prometric. Board members were given a copy of the exam content outline and an agenda to review for discussion with Prometric.

The Board expressed its concerns regarding the current exam. The Board stated that the exam is outdated, and strongly believes that the exam has been compromised (e.g., the exam questions). As a result, the Board wants to completely revise the exam.

It was agreed that Prometric will (1) review the current item writing and revise it; (2) revise the exam; (3) amend the test bank to include the current elevator safety code specific to Hawaii and state laws; and (4) submit a draft to the Board for its review before the next Board meeting in October.

The Board stated that it wants to be actively involved in revising the exam and updating the item writing. Ms. Shamla stated that Mr. Falla will personally be creating/building the new exam and will work with the Board.

The Executive Officer asked whether the Board could review the test content electronically via a secured website, using a password. This would work better for the members as they could access it at their own leisure. Ms. Shamla stated that it can be done and will work with the Executive Officer on this.

Ms. Shamla asked the Board what its time frame is in implementing the new exam. The Board stated that it would like to have the new exam implemented in early 2013.

Mr. Falla stated that the Elevator Mechanic Exam Code 112703 (two forms for one exam) would have to be reviewed and revised.

Board members asked how often an applicant can retake the exam after failing the first time, and how long does the applicant have to wait before retaking the exam. The exam is currently given four times a year. The Executive Officer will check with Prometric and report back to the Board.

The Chair announced that the Board would return to the order of the agenda.

Chapter 91, HRS,
Adjudicatory
Matters:

None

Approval of the Minutes: It was moved by Mr. Louis, seconded by Mr. Yamane, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2012 meeting as circulated.

Executive Officer's Report: None

Applications: a. Temporary Permits – None
b. Apprentice Registrations

It was moved by Mr. Louis, seconded by Mr. Yamane, and unanimously carried to ratify the following apprentice registrations:

1. NAKASHIMA, Ian
2. TRIBULE, Rodel
3. WILLIAMS, Bryan

c. Examination

It was moved by Mr. Louis, seconded by Mr. Yamane, and unanimously carried to approve the following applications for examination:

1. CABINIAN, Richard
2. HIRAKAWA, Jonathon
3. MIIKE, Todd
4. SPOOR, Drew

d. License Restoration – None

e. Renewal – None

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Correspondence: None

Announcements: a. Next Board Meeting

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Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

Taken and recorded by,

/s/ Alice Worthy

Alice Worthy, Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Alan C. Taniguchi

Alan C. Taniguchi, Executive Officer

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7/16/12

[X] Minutes approved as is.
[] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.