

Miami-Dade County Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources
Construction Trades Qualifying Board Division “B”

Minutes of April 7th, 2015

The **Construction Trades Qualifying Board Division “B”** was called to order at **10:27 A.M.**, on **Tuesday, April 7th, 2015**, in the 2nd Floor Conference Rooms I/J of the Herbert S. Saffir Permitting and Inspection Center located at 11805 SW 26th Street (Coral Way), Miami, Florida 33175.

Members Present

Nestor Bustamante, P.A., **Chairman**
Irv Chazen
Arthur Fernandez
Barry Jordan

Calvin Samuels
Lucio Rivero
Todd Stiff
David Barry Yocum

Members Excused

Kenneth Scott

Members Absent

Juan Zuniga

Staff Present

Eduardo W. Gonzalez, Assistant County Attorney
Michael Goolsby, Board and Code Administration Division Director
Kathy Charles, Board Administrator
Jose Lezcano, Contractor Licensing Section Supervisor
Daniel Vuelta, Contractor Enforcement Section Supervisor
Luis Y. Lopez, Board Recording Secretary

Review and Approval of Minutes

The Chairman Nestor Bustamante requested a motion to approve the **minutes of the March 3rd, 2015** Board meeting. A motion was made by Board Member Calvin Samuels to **accept the minutes as written**. Mr. Arthur Fernandez seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously**.

Formal Hearing

---None---

Appearances

Electrical

---None---

Mechanical

---None---

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Plumbing

Carlos M. Furones

Derogatory Personal & Business Credit Report

Master Plumber

Change of Affiliation

From: Plumb-Tech Inc

To: Plumb Tech Plumbing & Septic Inc

Result: Mr. Furones **did not appear. No Action Taken.**

Adolfo Guerra

Lack of Trade Experience

Journeyman Plumber

Exam Applicant (Personal)

Result: Board Member Lucio Rivero informed the Board that Mr. Guerra was before the Board to discuss his trade experience in the plumbing trade. He further informed the Board that Mr. Guerra is currently working for the University of Miami in the capacity of a Plumber. However, the applicant does not have the appropriate license to perform such job. Mr. Rivero advised the Board that he would allow the applicant to take the Plumbing Maintenance Examination.

Chairman Nestor Bustamante informed Mr. Guerra that under Chapter 10 of the Miami Dade Code, it requires for the applicant to work under a Plumbing Contractor for three (3) years prior taking the Journeyman Examination. He clarified that, in keeping with the Code requirements, working for the University of Miami as a plumber was not the same as working for a Licensed Contractor.

Mr. Guerra was present and informed the Board that he has been working for the University of Miami for six years. He explained that the University offered him the opportunity to apply for the Plumber position with the requirement that he would have to take the Journeyman Examination. Mr. Guerra further notified the Board that the Plumbing Maintenance License was not enough for him to accept the Plumbing job.

Mr. Lucio Rivero inquired if the County was responsible for performing the inspections at the University. Mr. Michael Goolsby, Board and Code Administration Division Director, notified the Board that the University of Miami had their own Building Official and that the County had no jurisdiction.

Upon further discussion, Mr. Lucio Rivero then moved to **deny** Mr. Adolfo Guerra for the **Journeyman Plumber Examination** at this time due to lack of trade experience. However, he would approve him to take the Plumber Maintenance Examination. Board Member Todd Stiff seconded the motion. The **motion carried unanimously.**

Maria Zelaya

Derogatory Personal Credit Report

Master Portable Chemical Toilets

New Certification

JP Plumbing Portable Toilets Inc.

Note: Pending 16 Hours of Continuing Education

Result: Chairman Nestor Bustamante informed the Board that Ms. Zelaya was appearing before the Board to discuss her derogatory credit report. He further notified the Board that the applicant

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Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – West Palm Beach

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Burglar Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Fire Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Electrician

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

Dariel Barrio

Seth Berkey

Bryant Espinosa

Fritzner Francois

Erick David Frias

Gregory Garcia

Alejandro Guardia

Note: Pending W2 Forms

Alans Hernandez

Thomas C. Mullen

Vladimir Nuviola

Jose Luis Ordonez

Reynaldo A. Rivera

Marlon Thaireaux

Miguel Angel H. Valladares

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Sign Electrician

---None---

Exam Applicants – Maintenance Electrician

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Burglar Alarm

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:*

Abraham Espallat

Exam Applicants – Master Electric Utility

---None---

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Exam Applicants – Master Electrician

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

David Cox
Jose A. Espinosa
Mariano Esplugas
Rafael A. Rodriguez (*Non-Agenda*)

*The Board reviewed and **denied** the following applications:*

Angel M. Barrios
Denied due to lack of trade experience.

Elieser Paz
Denied due to lack of trade experience.

Exam Applicants – Master Fire Alarm

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Low Voltage

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

Victor M. Hevia
Wilson J. Silguera Rodriguez

*The Board reviewed and **denied** the following application:*

Manuel A. Alvarado
Denied due to lack of trade experience.

Exam Applicants – Master Sign Electrician

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master TV Antenna

---None---

Mechanical Application/File Review

New Certification

---None---

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Change of Affiliation

---None---

Inactive Status

---None---

Reciprocity – Personal Certificate Only – Broward County

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following application:*

Matthew S. Martin
Journeyman General Mechanical

Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – Broward County

---None---

Reciprocity – Personal Certificate Only – West Palm Beach

---None---

Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate – West Palm Beach

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Air Conditioning

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

Ariel Callard
Luis Hernan Valencia

Exam Applicants – Journeyman General Mechanical

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Pressure & Process Piping

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Refrigeration

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Air Conditioning – Limited

---None---

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Exam Applicants – Master Air Conditioning – Unlimited

*The Board reviewed and **denied** the following application:*

Eduardo J. Viamontes

Denied due to lack of trade experience. However, the Board **approved** the Applicant to take the **Journeyman Examination** and, if pass, then can immediately take the Master Examination.

Exam Applicants – Master Ammonia Refrigeration

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master General Mechanical

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Room Air Conditioning

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Refrigeration & Air Conditioning

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Sheet Metal

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Steam Generator Boiler & Piping

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Transporting Assembly Install

Jean Francois Mugrier

Exam Applicants – Mechanical Maintenance

---None---

Plumbing Application/File Review

New Certification

---None---

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Change of Affiliation

---None---

Inactive Status

---None---

Reciprocity – Personal Certificate Only – Broward County

---None---

Reciprocity – Business/Personal Certificate –Palm Beach County

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Gas Fitter

---None---

Exam Applicants – Journeyman Plumber

*The Board reviewed and **approved** the following applications:*

Jose Luis Martin
Rocdanie Sanchez

Exam Applicants – Maintenance Plumber

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Gas Fitter

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Lawn Sprinkler

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Plumber

*The Board reviewed and **denied** the following application:*

Elio E. Yanes
Denied due to lack of trade experience. However, the Board approved the Applicant to take the Journeyman Examination.

Exam Applicants – Master Portable Chemical Toilets

---None---

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Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Maintenance – Limited

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Maintenance – Unlimited

---None---

Exam Applicants – Master Swimming Pool Piping

---None---

Report

---None---

Board Discussion

Non-Agenda

Mr. Daniel Vuelta, Contractor Enforcement Section Supervisor, notified the Board that he would like to discuss at the next CTQB Meeting a new Non-Exam Category under the Electrical Trade. He informed the Board that Staff has been receiving complaints in regards to “wireless security alarm installations.” Mr. Vuelta advised the Board that because this type of work does not involve working and is not identified under any particular license, which would make it enforceable under Chapter 10. His Staff cannot cite these individuals for any violation of the Code. Mr. Vuelta requested that this item be discussed further at the next meeting.

Mr. Michael Goolsby, Board and Code Administration Division Director, informed the Board he is keeping track of Bill No. SB 1232, HB 915, and SB 926 that will affect the Construction Industry. He further informed the Board that the 2014 5th Edition of the Florida Building Code comes into effect on June 30th, 2015.

Continuing Education

Miami Senior Adult and Community Education Center – D079

Sponsor **renewal**

One (1) course **renewal**

Journeyman Electrician (16 hours) – D079-003

The above-mentioned Continuing Education applications were reviewed and **approved** by the Board.

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Probable Cause Case

---None---

Board Information

The Board acknowledged the Miami-Dade County Examination Administration Report – March 1st, 2015 to March 31th, 2015.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:06 A.M.