

# Bates Technical College Steam Certification Board

Quarterly Advisory Meeting

Friday, August 14, 2020

10:08 a.m.-11:38 a.m.

Zoom Meeting

## Board Members Present

Bob Battles

Jay Becker

Terry Chapin

Christopher Jackson

Dr. Graham Malek

Christian Dube, Alternate

Tony McNamara, Alternate

## Also Present

Sue Coffman

City of Tacoma

Joel Rasmussen

City of Tacoma

Marcus Harvey

Bates Technical College

Amelia Fortuno

Bates Technical College

## Introductions

Due to the absence of the Chair (Mike Bolling) and Vice Chair (Aaron Meisenheimer), it was decided that Christopher Jackson would act as Chair for this meeting.

Christian Dube announced that Mike Bolling is no longer a business representative for Local 302 and will send Amelia Fortuno the replacement's contact info.

Action Item	Tasked	Due Date
Send Amelia contact info for Mike Bolling's replacement (Local 302 Business Representative).	Christian Dube	November 13, 2020

## Approval of Board Minutes

Moved, seconded, and carried: *unanimous decision to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2020 meeting.*

## Boiler Test Report

Samuel Cureton presented the boiler test report for June-July 2020.

- June 2020
  - One person tested for the Class IV and did not pass with a score of 60%.

- July 2020
  - Two people tested for the Class III.
    - Examinee 1: Did not pass with a score of 63%. First time testing.
    - Examinee 2: Passed with a score of 73% (also passed the oral board exam). Second time testing.
  - One person tested for the Class IV and did not pass with a score of 68%. Second time testing.

Moved, seconded, and carried: *unanimous decision to accept the quarterly boiler test report as written.*

## Old Business

Governance Committee Report

There was a review of the final draft of changes to the policy document that includes a liaison position for any municipality that recognizes the Bates boiler certification.

Moved, seconded, and carried: *unanimous decision to approve the municipality liaison position.*

Joel Rasmussen will be the liaison for the City of Tacoma.

## New Business

Curriculum Review

This year all of the approved courses needs to be reviewed. Amelia needs help getting current contact info for the other institutions.

[Bates Technical College \(Approval Expired 05/12/20\)](#)

- There are no changes to curriculum or new instructors.
- Dale Trombley (School of Technology instructor) will be retiring on August 17. No one has been hired to fill his position.

[Georgetown PowerPlant Museum \(Approval Expires 11/03/20\)](#)

- Christian Dube said Lilly Tellefson, winter 2019-20 Boiler Fireman Class III & IV instructor at Bates, is the contact for this training.

[Renton Technical College \(Approval Expires 11/03/20\)](#)

- They are now offering the Boiler Operator Licensing Class 3 & 4 online.
- There is a note that the School of Technology instructor is not certified/licensed. Boiler portion was not being offered until 2020.
  - Christian added that that the training is not being offered until winter 2020-21 and that Jacob Jackson is the contact for Renton Technical College.

[Verify Training \(Approval Expires 08/14/20\)](#)

- Their website announced that they are closing their Kent location.

Christopher Jackson reviewed the Curriculum Committee membership, which had consisted of Mike Bolling, Jim Wrenn and Bill Haselhuhn. He appointed Bill as the committee chair and added Terry Chapin and Tony McNamara as committee members.

There was discussion about adding language to the approved courses listed on Bates' boiler certification webpage. It was decided that listing "training approved prior to" and listing expiration date was appropriate. There was also conversation about what the public meeting requirements are for this advisory board.

Action Item	Tasked	Due Date
Request curriculum and instructor qualifications from institutes.	Amelia Fortuno (Copy Christian Dube on communications.)	September 1, 2020
Research public meeting requirement for the Steam Certification Board (i.e. requirements for posting board members, meeting dates, minutes, etc.)	Amelia Fortuno	November 13, 2020

## Good of the Order

Amelia Fortuno reminded everyone that the next meeting is the end of this term. At the conclusion of the November meeting, the following will occur that are most noteworthy:

- Bob Battles completes his third year of his third term.
- Aaron Meisenheimer becomes the Chair.
- Vice Chair and Secretary will be selected.

Amelia Fortuno gave the Bates update.

- Bates continues to only allow limited lab sessions for career education students and all lecture must be conducted online through fall quarter (i.e. the end of 2020).
- The boiler simulator has been installed, but has not been fired yet.
- Approximately 100 operators are still eligible to renew their boiler certificates. The 45-day grace period ends on September 15.
  - Waiving the late fee on a case-by-case bases due to COVID-19 and loss of contact information due to last year's cyber intrusion.

Tony McNamara announced that Tony Oda, Chief Boiler Inspector with L&I, is retiring on September 1, 2020.

Terry Chapin announced that the last Board of Boiler Rules meeting was canceled. There will be Zoom board meeting on August 20, 2020 and a teleconference for the public.

## Future Meeting Dates

- November 13, 2020
- February 12, 2021
- May 14, 2021
- August 13, 2021
- November 12, 2021

Respectfully submitted by: Amelia Fortuno