

Bates Technical College

Steam Certification Board

Quarterly Advisory Meeting

Friday, November 13, 2020

10:08 a.m.-11:28 a.m.

Zoom Meeting

Board Members Present

Bob Battles

Terry Chapin

Aaron Meisenheimer

Christian Dube, Alternate

Tony McNamara, Alternate

Joel Rasmussen, Municipal Liaison

Also Present

Samuel Cureton

Bates Technical College

Steve Frazier

City of Seattle

Cameron LaFreniere

Bates Technical College

Heath Robinette

I.U.O.E. Local 302

Marcus Harvey

Bates Technical College

Amelia Fortuno

Bates Technical College

Introductions

Aaron Meisenheimer, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order. Introductions were made for guests present.

Approval of Board Minutes

Moved, seconded, and carried: *unanimous decision to approve the minutes from the August 14, 2020 meeting.*

Boiler Test Report

Samuel Cureton presented the boiler test report for August-October 2020. There was no test in September because Bates was still on summer break.

On both test dates, there was one person testing for the Class III Operating Engineer and another person testing for the Class IV Boiler Fireman. They did not pass with percentages in the mid-to low 60s.

Members asked Steve Frazier, City of Seattle Boiler/Pressure System Inspector, if COVID-19 had an impact on their license testing. He said they have not seen a decline in applications, but have experienced some limitations having to conduct testing through video conferencing.

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

Old Business

Curriculum Committee Report

This year all of the approved courses are up for curriculum review. Tony McNamara presented the committee report.

Bates Technical College (Approval Expired 05/12/20)

- Received Boiler Refresher curriculum info on 10/27/20.
 - Documentation submitted and instructor, Terry Chapin, met the criteria.
- Marcus Harvey mentioned that there is a possibility of the new Facilities Maintenance Engineering testing for the Class III (currently has a Class IV) to teach the classes. There is also a possibility that Dale Trombley, former Facilities Maintenance Engineering instructor, may come back to help out on a part-time basis after he has been retired for six months.

Georgetown PowerPlant Museum (Approval Expired 11/13/20)

- There was no response to the letters and emails that were sent.

Renton Technical College (Approval Expired 11/13/20)

- Received response from curriculum request on 10/07/20.
 - Boiler Operator Licensing Class 3 & 4
 - Documentation submitted and instructor, Lan Duong, met the criteria.
 - Boiler Refresher
 - Documentation submitted and instructor, Terry Chapin, met the criteria.
 - School of Technology (i.e. Commercial Building Engineering program) instructor, Joshua Cook, met the criteria. The curriculum information was not submitted.

Verify Training (Approval Expired 8/14/20)

- During the time of the last meeting their website announced that they are closing their Kent location. Christian Dube had heard from one of his members that they have started doing training again.

Action Item	Tasked	Due Date
Request curriculum and instructor qualifications from Verify Training.	Amelia Fortuno	February 12, 2021
Follow-up with Bates and Renton Technical College on additional information that is needed.	Amelia Fortuno	February 12, 2021

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

New Business

New Board Member Elections

- Legal Representative
 - Bob Battles completes the third year of his third term at the conclusion of this meeting.
 - No replacement has been found. The search will continue until filled.
 - Christian Dube mentioned passing along the bylaws to Jeff Frazier.
 - Bob Battles may return to the board after a break from serving.
- Union Representative (Vacated by Mike Bolling)
 - Heath Robinette, Business Representative with Local 302, was nominated and unanimously approved.

Action Item	Tasked	Due Date
Figure out the remaining balance of Mike Bolling's term that Heath will serve.	Amelia Fortuno	February 12, 2021

Executive Board Election

- Aaron Meisenheimer will transition to Chair at the conclusion of this meeting.
- Heath Robinette was nominated and unanimously approved as Vice Chair.
- Bill Haselhuhn was nominated and unanimously approved to serve another term as Secretary, pending his willingness to serve.

Action Item	Tasked	Due Date
Send new member and election results to the Executive Assistant to the VP of Instruction for the next Bates Board of Trustees meeting.	Amelia Fortuno	February 12, 2021

Good of the Order

Marcus Harvey introduced Cameron LaFreniere, new instructor for the Facilities Maintenance Engineering career education program. He also mentioned that the boiler simulator has been installed, fired up, and that Cameron received training from the installation company.

Amelia Fortuno continued the Bates update:

- Late boiler certificate renewals are still being accepted for any delays resulting from the pandemic and/or Bates' cyber-intrusion experienced back in July 2019.
- Jim Wrenn, alternate member, called to check-in. He has been in assisted care due to knee replacements and a broken ankle. He is doing fine and has read up on all of the board business that was mailed to him.
- Conducted virtual walkthrough of the [Steam Certification Board information](#) that was added to the [certification webpage](#).

- Bates' President, Dr. Lin Zhou, announced at the November 10 leadership listening session that limited on-campus operations will continue through spring quarter (i.e. June 8, 2021).

Tony McNamara announced that Mike Carlson will replace Tony Oda as Chief Boiler Inspector for the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries.

Terry Chapin announced that he will remain on the Board of Boiler Rules until a replacement can be found. They will have a study session on November 17 with the meeting occurring the next day. The public can attend the meeting by calling in.

Future Meeting Dates

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

Respectfully submitted by: Amelia Fortuno