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# QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING OF THE STATE PLUMBING BOARD OF LOUISIANA

#### **BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA**

#### **NOVEMBER 6, 2008**

The Quarterly Meeting of the State Plumbing Board of Louisiana was called to order by the Secretary/ Treasurer, Rickey Fabra, at 10:12 a.m.

The following persons were in attendance:

<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b>	ADVISORY BOARD	STAFF	GUESTS
Rickey Fabra	Ray Tolar	John Barker	Louis Robein - Attorney (Bd.)
Jerry Payne	Jay Huckabee	Christina Hymel	David Cloteaux
John Thomas		Katie Ramagos	Ed Guillory – Home Depot
Johnny Gypin		Terry Moore	Al Smith - Sears
		Nolan LeBlanc	Jim Scott - Aramark
		Bill Landrum	Keith Bienvenu
		Joe Leger	Jason Fontenot
		Robert Franklin	Heather Gremillion
			Fred Robillard
			D.J. Berger
			Jake Causey

**INVOCATION:** Jerry Payne

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Christina Hymel

# JOURNEYMAN QUALIFICATIONS

**NONE** 

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#### **ENFORCEMENT**

#### a.) Informal Hearing Report

Christina Hymel reported that the enforcement committee held six informal hearings. One of the informal hearings was for a customer complaint. The matter was civil in nature, therefore the committee strictly mediated between the two parties. An agreement was reached and the matter was resolved. The other hearings were for filing permits for unlicensed persons, employing helpers after filing an affidavit with this office stating the contrary, multiple outstanding sign violations, and working with an expired license. Three of these violations were resolved and payment of the appropriate fines was received. The others did not appear as requested and there were attempts to contact those violators but they were unsuccessful.

#### **OTHER GUESTS**

**NONE** 

# **SPECIAL REQUEST**

**NONE** 

#### TRAINING PROGRAM APPROVAL

SEE 'OLD BUSINESS'

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**NONE** 

#### PREVIOUS MINUTES

(August 7, 2008)

**MOTION:** to accept the amended August 7, 2008 minutes

MOTION: JOHNNY GYPIN SECOND: JOHN THOMAS

**MOTION: CARRIED** 

# FINANCIAL REPORT

MOTION: to accept the financial report as presented by Rickey Fabra

MOTION: JOHNNY GYPIN SECOND: JOHN THOMAS

**MOTION: CARRIED** 

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#### **ADVISORY REPORT**

Mr. Jay Huckabee stated that PHCC held a continuing education class in Monroe on September 13. He thanked all those that helped make it a success.

#### **INDIVIDUAL MEMBER'S REPORT**

**NONE** 

#### **ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' REPORT**

The enforcement officers each gave their individual report.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Barker gave a brief overview of his activities since the last board meeting. He also informed the board that Act 875, which was part of the Ethics package, does not affect he existing board members until their current term expires.

Mr. Barker had Christina Hymel read an article that he received from ICC regarding and inspector that was murdered while on a jobsite inspecting the work. He warned the Enforcement Officers to be careful and to not hesitate to contact him or the proper authorities should the need arise.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

#### a.) CPE Course Providers for calendar year 2009

It was decided that the administrative staff would review the materials submitted by LAPHCC and the UA for compliance. The staff will then contact the two entities to inform them of the findings.

John Barker suggested that those persons who receive an initial license, be exempt from the CPE requirements for that year. For example, if someone receives an initial license anytime in 2009, he/she will not be required to obtain CPE credits to renew his/her license for the calendar year 2010.

**MOTION:** to exempt those that have obtained an initial license from the CPE

requirements for that year including Journeyman licenses, Master

Licenses, WSPS and Medical Gas

MOTION: JERRY PAYNE SECOND: JOHNNY GYPIN

**MOTION: CARRIED** 

Jerry Payne suggested the board approve video training for those that have not taken the continuing education class by December 31 each year. Only the approved course

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providers are allowed to provide video training and only course instructors approved by the board are allowed to proctor these video training classes. These classes must be provided throughout the state just as the regular continuing education classes are.

MOTION: to approve course providers to provide video training for those that have

not taken continuing education by December 31 each year for

Journeyman, Master, WSPS and Medical Gas

MOTION: JERRY PAYNE SECOND: JOHNNY GYPIN

#### b.) Exam Reports

#### 1.) JOURNEYMAN EXAMINATIONS

- a.) August 18, 2008 (Special) John Barker no problems
- b.) September 30, 2008 (Special) John Barker no problems
- c.) October 4, 2008 Rickey Fabra no problems
- d.) October 11, 2008 John Barker no problems
- e.) October 18, 2008 John Barker no problems

#### 2.) MASTER EXAMINATIONS

- a.) September 25, 2008 (Special) John Barker no problems
- b.) October 6, 2008 (Special) John Barker no problems
- c.) October 21, 2008 (Special) Rickey Fabra no problems
- d.) November 8, 2008 John Barker
- b.) Other business which merits discussion NONE

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **NONE**

# TENATIVE DATE FOR THE DECEMBER, 2008 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

**December 16, 2008** is the tentative date of the Special Board Meeting of the State Plumbing of Louisiana.

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# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: to adjourn the Quarterly Board Meeting of the State Plumbing Board of

Louisiana - 10:51 a.m.

MOTION: JOHNNY GYPIN SECOND: JOHN THOMAS

**MOTION: CARRIED** 

Respectfully Submitted,		
Rickey Fabra, Secretary / Treasure		
Board Member		