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Draft Minutes of 07/26/2023

Board Members Present: Rick Stark, Chair
Casey Wilson
Greg Eagy
Chad Fields
Jim Swier
Alex Owens
Jeff Bradley
Jim Marchetti

Division Staff: Michael Hyde, Executive Officer
Amy Lorenzo, Bureau Chief
Miah Ellett, Board Support Specialist

Board Members Absent: Joshua Madsen

The Board meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM MT by Chair Rick Stark.

APPROVAL OF 04/26/2023 MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 04/26/2023 meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD BUSINESS

Negotiated Rulemaking Meeting Update: Executive Officer Michael Hyde provided an update on the Idaho Electrical Board Negotiated Rulemaking meeting held earlier in the day; specifically, Continuing Education Unit (CEU) requirements for journeyman and master electricians, Arc-Fault Circuit Interrupter (AFCI) requirements in dwelling settings and 2023 version of the National Electrical Code (NEC).

2023 Legislative Session – House Bill (HB) 337 Discussion: Mr. Hyde addressed significant changes to Title 54 Chapter 20, included in HB 337, and became effective July 1, 2023. Idaho Code § 54-10 was incorporated in the Board packet in its entirety.

2023 National Electrical Code Discussion: Outlines of the 2017 NEC IDAPA amendments, 2020 NEC proposed amendments, and temporary rules, in red, are in the packet. Handouts were provided. The Board was asked for guidance and direction on crafting a new set of redlines for the next Negotiated Rulemaking meeting. Lengthy discussions regarding CEU hours; AFCI, dwelling units; and pole lighting ensued.

Discussion 54-1007(5) Idaho Code – Two-Year Residential Related Instruction Course: A memo on related training apprenticeship providers, approved by the Idaho Electrical Board and

Idaho Division of Career & Technical Education (IDCTE), was addressed. Mr. Hyde provided an update on the schools and whether they will develop a new two-year residential apprenticeship curriculum. The ten year apprenticeship registration cap was addressed.

National Association of State Contractors Licensing Agencies (NASCLA) Residential Electrician Exam: NASCLA's competency exam, pertaining to residential electrical journeymen and residential electrical contractors, was discussed. There was concern the three questions under Item C. *Project Design, Estimating and Management* do not pertain to an individual that is not going to be a residential electrical contractor. This test is solely code based on the 2023 NEC as it applies to a residential installation.

A motion was made and seconded to accept NASCLA's exam upon the removal of the following requirements under "Estimate Material, Tools, Overhead and Labor Costs": 1) Skill in estimating labor units, 2) Skill in estimating overhead costs, 3) Skill in identifying differences between job costs and overhead costs, and 4) Skill in creating project timeline. The motion carried unanimously.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Finance Report: A Financial report was not available.

Program Report: Mr. Hyde provided the Building Program report.

Public Comment: Public comments were made during the discussion of the items under Board Business.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 PM.