

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF HOISTING ENGINEERS
1511 PONTIAC AVENUE
Building 70 – 2nd Floor Conference Room
Cranston, RI 02920**

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2008

Board Members in Attendance:

David Burnham, Chairperson

James Woloohojian

Ronald D'Ambruoso, Designee

Also in attendance: David Rodrigues, Investigator, Valentino Lombardi, Esquire, and Benjamin Copple, Esquire, and Mr. White, Local 57, Business Agent

Members not in attendance: Ellery Wood, Jr.

David Burnham, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

There was no Quorum today.

There were no hearings for today.

David Burnham, Chairperson, stated that since there is no Quorum, the January 8, 2008 minutes will be reviewed at our March meeting. Also, the annual February voting of Vice Chairperson and Secretary will be held at our March meeting.

New Business:

David Rodrigues passed out to each Board member a copy of the “Apprenticeship Programs in Trade and Industry,” and reflection was made to Appendix ‘A’ regarding ratios.

Old Business:

David Burnham asked the members if there is any discussion regarding the Learner’s Training License.

Benjamin Cople, Esquire passed out to the Board members a copy of Hawaii Administrative Rules of Hoisting Machine Operators Regulations to define the usage of “Direct Supervision.”

There was discussion that the training license fee be the same amount at the application, which is \$75.00. Governor has to change the fees through Legislation. The rules and regulations can be changed to say that the Learner's Training License will be the same as the application fee of \$75.00, or \$150.00 for two years.

Discussion was made concerning steps before a person can get an Operator's Training License:

1) Discussion was made that there should be some kind of safety course; such as an OSHA-10 course for the employee who will be in training;

2) Discussion was made as to whether a competency examination should be given after the safety course is given;

3) If the competency examination is passed, the person would then get a two year training license;

4) Once the above is completed, then the person can sit for the Hoisting Examination;

5) That there be no earth moving limitations to excavation.

There will be further discussion for the Operator's Learner's License at the March Board meeting.

There was no other business before the Board.

David Burnham adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m. Minutes respectively submitted by Elaine J. Heiss, February 12, 2008.

The next meeting of the Hoisting Board is March 11 at 10:00 am in Building #70, 2nd floor conference room, 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston, RI 02920.