

**BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF OPERATORS OF
PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY TREATMENT AND PUBLIC WATER
SUPPLY TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES**

(Pursuant to Title 23, Chapter 65 of the RIGLs)

MINUTES October 13, 2006

In Attendance:

Board Members:

Mario Carlino
Mike Covellone
Don Iannazzi Bob Bozikowski
Susan Licardi June Swallow

Others: Dana McCants Derisier

Meeting was called to order by Mike Covellone, Chairperson at 10:05 AM.

1. June Swallow moved that the June 9, 2006 meeting minutes revised to include not only the nominations of the Board officials but also, the outcome of the election, the elected Board official. Motion by June Swallow. Motion second by Don Iannazzi.
2. June Swallow moved to amend the consent agenda by deleting the requests of Mr. Proulx and Mr. Edward Gaboriault. Motion by June Swallow. Motion second by Mario Carlino.
3. Don Iannazzi moved to approve the amended consent agenda. Motion by Don Iannazzi. Motion second by Mario Carlino.

The following items were on the consent agenda:

- The Board reviewed and approved the July 2006 treatment and distribution exam results.
- The Board reviewed and approved the November 2006 treatment and distribution exam applications.
- The Board approved the requests for full certification by the following individuals as all have met mandatory experience requirements:
 - Richard Duncan TO Class 3 Certification Cumberland Water Department
 - Edward Parnigoni VSS Certification Bethel Village Water Association
 - Raymond Blain DO Class 1 Certification Pawtucket Water Supply Board
 - Paul Senra DO Class 1 Certification Pawtucket Water Supply Board

The Board reviewed and approved Joseph Lapietra's request for RI reciprocity of a TO class 2 Full certification from Connecticut.

The Board reviewed and approved the following course requests:

- Susan Rabideau of the Department of Health approved for 2.5 tch's: IDSE Tool & DCTS: Implementing Tools for LT2ESWTR & Stage 2 DBP webcast.
- Susan Rabideau of the Department of Health approved for 1.5 tch's: Strategic Solutions in Distribution Water Quality webcast.

- Beth Murphy of the Pawtucket Water Supply Board approved for 5.0 tch's per session: Hazwoper – First Responder Awareness Level / Process Safety Management Training, Earth Tech, Inc.
 - Michael Hebert of the RI BackFlow Prevention Association approved for 3.75 tch's: "What Happens Next?" A Cross-Connection Control Program Seminar, RI BackFlow Prevention Association/N. E. Chapter of the American BackFlow Prevention Association.
 - Michael Hebert of the RI BackFlow Prevention Association approved for 3.5 tch's: "Kitchen Kapers" Finding the Cross-Connections in Commercial Kitchens, RI BackFlow Prevention Association.
- The Board reviewed the requests: DO Class 3 Full Certification by Michael Proulx of Pawtucket Water Supply Board and DO Class 2 Full Certification by Edward Gaboriault. Mr. Proulx and Mr. Gaboriault do not meet the requirements until November 2006. The Board stated that the two requests be placed on next year's agenda.
4. The Board reviewed and approved the request of Michael Asselin to take the Grade 4 Full Distribution Certification Exam. Motion by June Swallow. Motion second by Don Iannazi.
 5. The Board reviewed and denied the request of William Platt to take the Grade 4 Full Treatment Certification Exam. It was not clear why Mr. Platt is requesting Full operator certification since he is a supervisor in the laboratory. The Board would like more information from his supervisor regarding his job description and how he meets the definition of an operator as stated in 7.10.2 in the Regulations. Motion by Mike Covellone. Motion second by Don Iannazi.
 6. The Board reviewed and unanimously voted to deny a request from John McLaughlin of the Providence Water Supply Board concerning his ABC Distribution 3 exam result of 67% in July 2006. The Board recommends that Mr. McLaughlin take the next exam. Bob Bozikowski suggested that the Secretary make a reference to the Association of Boards of Certification's website on the operator certification study material. Motion by Mario Carlino. Motion second by Susan Licardi. Mike Covellone abstained from voting.
 7. The Board reviewed the guidelines for small system owners in hiring contract operators. The Board discussed that the document should be clear in stating the owner/operator responsibilities, the State can ask the owner/operator for the worksheet, and that the document is a guide only.
 8. June moved to go to the executive session pursuant to 42-46-4, 42-46-5, and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws for a discussion of a potential disciplinary action. Motion by June Swallow. Motion second by Don Iannazi. Motion carried.
 9. The Board came out of executive session. Don Iazzani moved to seal the minutes of the executive session. Motion by Don Iannazi. Motion second by June Swallow. Motion carried.

Mario Carlino moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion by Mario Carlino. Motion second by Mike Covellone.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 AM.



June Swallow, P.E. Secretary