

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM  
CONTRACTORS, TECHNICIANS AND INSTALLERS**

**Minutes of Meeting of Tuesday, October 4, 2005**

**In Attendance: Paul Feeney**

**Robert Zuba**

**Steve Mollo**

**William McGowan**

**Mr. William McGowan, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.**

**The above members were present for today's meeting. Members absent for today's meeting were Jay Bombardier, Lawrence Ryan and the vacant board member position. There was a quorum.**

**The first order of business is approval of the minutes of the last meeting of the Telecommunications Board held on Tuesday, June 7, 2005. Mr. Zuba made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Mr. Feeney seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.**

**There is no correspondence before the Board.**

**Mr. Gaj provided the Board with several applications, which were reviewed.**

**Mr. Gaj also provided the Board with a break-down of administrative penalties which have been assessed to violators of the telecommunications law since July 1, 2005, and the status of same.**

**With regards to legislative proposals for the 2006 session of the General Assembly, Mr. Gaj would like to tighten up the language pertaining to self-providers. There was a brief discussion by the Board as to how this can be accomplished. A recommendation was made by Mr. Zuba to configure the self-providers like an electrician's class C license, and tighten up what it entails so that those who are claiming an exemption would be pushed over to a licensed class. Could also limit their work to maintenance.**

**A recommendation was made by Mr. Feeney to recommend legislation to look at licensing agents such as those sub-contractors of Cox Communications. Those individuals are not trained by Cox.**

**There were no further recommendations for legislation.**

**Under other related business, Mr. Mollo requested that the Board be allowed to review the test questions, and determine what questions need to be changes, removed or added. The questions in the question bank now may be outdated by industry standards, since the telecommunications industry and electrical codes change so frequently.**

**There was no further business before the Board. Mr. Feeney made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 a.m. Mr. Mollo seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.**

**The next meeting of the Board of Examination and Licensing of Telecommunication System Contractors, Technicians and Installers is scheduled for Tuesday, November 1, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. in Building 70 of the RI Department of Labor & Training, second floor conference room.**