

STATE ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE (SEAC)

MINUTES

April 8, 2022

Call to Order: 1:03 PM

The SEAC meeting was held on Zoom. Chairman, Richard Geraci, presided over the meeting. He called the meeting to order at 1:03 P.M.

Members present:

Richard Geraci
Richard Shelton
Keith Davis
Roger Chapel

Member(s) absent:

Harry Chaple
Richard Blaty

Ex-Officio Member(s) Present:

Derrick Daniels- Program Advisor OSD
Dawn Hamby- Strategic Initiatives Director

Guests in Attendance:

David Gray- AR DOLL

Approval of Minutes from March 4, 2022:

- Minutes were reviewed and approved. After a motion by Davis and a Second by Shelton. Minutes Approved as presented.

Old Business:

- None
- Geraci brought to the floor the other information that was needed for the Stipend by the Department of Commerce's HR department. He asked for an update on the process. Derrick informed them that everyone has turned in the proper forms and HR is ok with everything that has been turned in.

New Business:

- Derrick informed the committee that everyone had been approved for their reappointments. Term is to the end of 2025. The make up of the committee changed in the 2021 session. The Advisory position has been removed and is now for an Employer representative that employees' electrical apprentices. He informed the committee that if they know anyone that might be interested have them get into contact with him to discuss and let them know what info is needed from them. He also is going to send out an email to all the Electrical Apprenticeship schools to inform them of this and see if they have any recommendations.
- Discussion about in-person meetings. Davis up in the air about meeting in-person now. He could go either way. Shelton is good either way. Geraci is good to start in-person meetings again. Hamby said no issue having the meetings at OSD, we just need to make sure that there are enough members that want to attend in-person. Derrick is going to send out an email to all members and get a yes or no answer on going back to in-person. Derrick also brought up only having to meet at minimum of every 2 months by law. He is going to work with Geraci on this going forward. Roger Chapel made it to the meeting at the end of this discussion. Geraci asked Roger how he felt with in-person meetings. He said he is ready to get back to that. Geraci then brought Roger up to speed with the meeting so far. Roger thought it might be better to get a new member from the Little Rock area so that it might be easier to get them to attend the meetings.

Experienced Credit: None

Reports:

- USDOL-OA: Randy absent. DOL numbers were reviewed. There is a copy of them in the agenda items.
- David Gray ARDOL: He has been busy with Solar Inspections since he started. Hoping to get another inspector hired on soon. Roger said that the Solar companies are looking at trying to get other inspectors to expedite the process. ARDOL is doing the solar inspections to help the Power Company. May Electrical Board meeting will be for the public comment on the 2020 NEC adoption.
- OSD: Derrick Daniels- CT numbers for the month of March totaled \$4,541.57. Derrick informed the committee that OSD is working with Arkansas Advanced Entergy Association regarding producing an apprenticeship program for Solar. DOL has been working with a Company out of North Carolina that would come in and perform solar installations. They are working on getting their apprenticeship program approved in Arkansas. Roger brought up possibility of problems of Solar Electricians completion time frame in regard to the typical 4-year time frame. Derrick informed them the North Carolina program is a 4-year program.

Next Meeting

- Date: May 6, 2022
- Location of Meeting: Via Zoom, unless otherwise notified.

Adjourn:

- 1:52 PM. Motion: Shelton Second: Roger