

# **STATE ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE (SEAC)**

## **MINUTES**

July 7, 2023

**Call to Order: 1:06 P.M.**

The SEAC meeting was held at the Department of Commerce and via zoom. Chairman, Richard Geraci, presided over the meeting.

### **Members present:**

Richard Geraci  
Richard Shelton  
Roger Chaple  
Keith Davis  
Charles Blaty

### **Member(s) absent:**

Brian Williams

### **Ex-Officio Member(s) Present:**

Derrick Daniels- Program Advisor OSD  
Don Bellcock - Program Advisor OSD

### **Guests in Attendance:**

David Gray- AR DOLL  
Lindsay Moore- AR DOLL  
Samantha Martinez- AR DOLL

### **Approval of Minutes from June 2, 2023:**

- Minutes were reviewed. After a motion by Chaple and a Second by Blaty. Minutes were approved as written.

### **New Business:**

- None

### **Experienced Credit: (Roger abstained from all of the ACE apprentices)**

- (00:02:05 Minute Mark)  
Barrett Kilgore- Ace- Asking for 1 year. Discussion took place and Blaty made the 1<sup>st</sup> motion to deny the experienced credit based on time presented looked at being Maintenance work and the time while licensed not meeting the time frame on the OJT affidavit. This was the last time to be able to review. Shelton 2<sup>nd</sup> it and committee voted unanimously.
- (00:13:13 Minute Mark)  
Jared Biggs- NATF – Asking for 2 years. Discussion took place. After review of the SEAC guidelines military exp. credit section. There was a motion by Blaty 1<sup>st</sup> and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Davis to deny the experienced credit based on the DD-214 job code not meeting the codes approved for the Army. Committee voted unanimously.

- (00:18:11 Minute Mark)  
Sean McCutchen- ACE- Asking for 1.5 years. Discussion took place. There was a motion by Davis 1<sup>st</sup> and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shelton to deny the experienced credit based on the fact that Mr. McCutchen had been a licensed electrical apprentice in Arkansas previously. Committee voted unanimously to deny.
- (00:28:27 Minute Mark)  
Michael Elliott- ACE – Asking for ?. Discussion took place. There was a motion by Blaty 1<sup>st</sup> and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Davis to deny the experienced credit based on no USDOL approved apprenticeship training program attended and the SEAC did not agree that the 6 months that could be approved would help the apprentice. Committee voted unanimously to deny.
- (00:37:15 Minute Mark)  
Michael Edwards- ACE- Asking for 1.3 years. Discussion took place. There was a motion by Davis 1<sup>st</sup> and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Blaty to deny the experienced credit request based on the lack of attending a US DOL approved electrical apprenticeship program and the OJT presented is not within the last 6 years. Committee voted unanimously to deny.

### **Reports:**

- (00:00:00 minute mark)  
US DOL: Cynthia McLain  
Not available and having issues with Rapids, so no numbers provided.
- (00:42:55 minute mark)  
AR DOLL: David Gray  
David says that renewals are getting better this 2<sup>nd</sup> time around with the new ELP system. No other news to discuss.
- (00:43:45 minute mark)  
OSD-OA Report: Derrick Daniels  
Annual training is July 19, 2023. The SEAC members are welcome to attend. Gave overview of what will be discussed at the training. AACSC meeting yesterday guidelines were approved by the Committee. OSD has asked that a few things be discussed with the guidelines. There will be a meeting next week to further discuss. Completions for June: 54 J, 10 RJ... Total for FY 23: 393 J, and 84 RJ...

### **Old Business:**

- (00:44:24 Minute Mark)  
Derrick informed the committee, that AR DOLL had approved only 5 persons for Journeyman exam that had completed the Industrial Maintenance Electrician program due to specific circumstances with the apprentices. They do not intend on providing this relief for any other apprentices. With that said, Derrick thought that it might be a good idea for everyone to review the documentation again for the different programs and decide if there is a pathway. Also, that they need to include AR DOLL, either now or later, to figure out the OJT component. SEAC will discuss at the next meeting what they want the letter to say that would go to AR DOLL for their input on the subject.

**Adjourn:**

- 2:09 PM. Shelton motioned for meeting to be adjourned.

**Next Meeting**

- Date: August 4, 2023
- Arkansas Department of Commerce, unless otherwise notified.