

# **STATE PLUMBING APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE (SPAC)**

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## **MINUTES**

August 4, 2022

### **Call to Order: 9:38 AM**

The SPAC meeting was held on Zoom meeting. Chairman, Kelly Sharp, presided over the meeting. He called the meeting to order at 9:38 A.M

#### **Members present:**

Kelley Sharp, Chairman, Master Plumber, Congressional District 3

Steven Dewey, Master Plumber, Congressional District 1

Karen Breashears, Citizen Member, Congressional District 4

Ronald Jarrell, Vice Chairman, Master Plumber, Congressional District 4

James Corser, Master Plumber, Congressional District 2

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

None

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

Derrick Daniels – Program Advisor OSD

Dawn Hamby- Strategic Initiatives Director

#### **Guests in Attendance:**

Ric Mayhan (ADH)

Pam Castleberry (NPC)

Apryl Simmons and Gretchen Cantali (Little Rock Job Corps)

Carey Smith

Diane McConnell

#### **Approval of Minutes from June 2, 2022:**

- Minutes were read and after a motion by Breashears and a Second by Dewey, previous minutes were approved as written.

#### **Old Business:**

- None

### **New Business:**

- (00:01:42 minute mark)  
National Park College was looking to get approval for a new curriculum. They were looking to use the Modern Plumbing book for their first year of apprenticeship. Karen said they had never approved just a book for one year. It had always been done for the full 4 years. Discussion ensued. Corser wanted to research it more before he would like to make a determination. Ric was going to verify who approves the curriculum. He feels like it should be the SPAC. Committee voted to table this until next month. Motion by Corser, Second by Karen.
- (00:37:50 minute mark)  
Little Rock Job Corps- Seeking approval for pre-apprenticeship course. Apryl and Gretchen informed the committee about the subject. Committee does not actually approve pre-apprenticeship courses. Karen informed them that the approval would be on a school-by-school bases because of each having possibly different standards. Discussion ensued. Apryl and Gretchen were informed about having to have a program that will accept their training, have MOUs with the employers, etc. Apryl said that they had been in contact with programs and they were being directed back to the SPAC. They were advised to get with Mark McManus, OSD, about getting some help with the process.

### **Experience Credit:**

- None

### **Health Department Report: Ric Mayhan** (01:17:00 minute mark)

- Apprentice- 1,170 Journeyman- 1,681 Master- 2,222

### **USDOL-OA: Randy Prather is unavailable.** (01:19:55 minute mark)

- Committee reviewed the numbers. Numbers as of July 31, 2022. +343 new apprentices, total apprentices +154, 0 suspended, +120 cancellations, +53 completed.

### **OSD Report: Derrick Daniels** (01:20:45 minute mark)

- Informed the committee about getting a link set up for programs to access for the new forms, etc. If it gets to be a problem, Derrick will email the forms etc. out to everyone. DB is ready to go. He is just waiting to see when Cody wants to have the schools start using it.

### **Next Meeting:**

- Date: September 1, 2022
- Location: Via Zoom, unless otherwise notified

### **Adjourn:**

- 11:09 A.M. Motion by Corser, Seconded by Breashears.