

STATE PLUMBING APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE (SPAC)

MINUTES

March 2, 2023

Call to Order: 9:34 AM

The SPAC meeting was held on Zoom meeting. Chairman, Kelley Sharp, presided over the meeting.

Members present:

Kelley Sharp, Chairman, Master Plumber, Congressional District 3

Karen Breashears, Citizen Member, Congressional District 4

Steven Dewey, Vice Chair, Master Plumber, Congressional District 1

Ronald Jarrell, Master Plumber, Congressional District 4

Member(s) absent:

James Corser, Master Plumber, Congressional District 2

Ex-Officio Member(s) Present:

Derrick Daniels – Program Advisor OSD

Guests in Attendance:

Don Bellcock- Program Advisor OSD

US DOL / ADH Absent:

Randy Prather- US DOL

Ric Mayhan- ADH

Approval of Minutes from February 2, 2023:

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

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- None

Experience Credit:

- (00:02:10 Minute Mark)
Juan Peraza- Asking for 1.5 years. Received more information. Motion by Breashears, 2nd by Jarrell. SPAC approved 1.5 years of Exp. Credit for both RTI and OJT.

Health Department Report: Ric Mayhan is unavailable.

- (00:06:45 Minute Mark)
Licenses: Apprentice- 1,160 Journeyman- 1,343 Master- 1,996
Derrick spoke with Ric on Monday, he had not heard anything else about changing the plumbing program from a 4 year to a 3 year program. Reviewed ADH's new reinstatement application. After review there was a motion by Breashears and a seconded by Jarrell to send a recommendation to ADH asking if there is a way that the standard apprentice application and the reinstatement application could be made into one document and a person would only fill out the part that applies to their situation. Derrick is going to write the recommendation and email it to Ric and Cc the SPAC when it is sent.
Breashears brought up the ability to only give experienced credit during an apprentices first 60 days of submitting an apprentice application. She says there are times when they have received a transfer student and they were never informed about experienced credit. She feels that an apprentice should get credit when credit is due. Discussion ensued. With the language of the rules stating what they do, the SPAC is going to proceed as though the 60-day time frame starts anytime an apprentice registers with a program.

USDOL-OA: Randy Prather is unavailable.

- (00:44:10 Minute Mark)
Committee reviewed the numbers. Numbers as of February 28, 2023. +235 new apprentices, total apprentices 7,929, +4 suspended, +309 cancellations, +37 completed.

OSD Report: Derrick Daniels

- (0:46:25 Minute Mark)
No new updates on the 4 year to 3 year for plumbing. Already received 6 236's for February. AACSC had approve CT reimbursement for 100% for Student Curriculum and 100% up to 84.50 for Plumbing code books and 145.00 for Electrical code books. This will also include going back and paying 100% for all CT's approved for FY23. MOU has been completed and sent off to DIS for review. Breashears asked about SAA progress. OSD has been in communication with USDOL with writing the document that will be used for approval. We are to be meeting them on Friday to discuss their feedback.
Bellcock brought up ADC's legal counsel change. Charles Lyford is going back to the AG's office.

Last words:

- SB90 has made it to a committee's agenda. Changes have been made to it, but unclear how it will affect apprenticeship at this time. No other bills of concern currently.

Next Meeting:

- Date: April 6, 2023
- Location: Via Zoom, unless otherwise notified

Adjourn:

- 10:32 A.M. Motion by Breashears meeting adjourned.