

**STATE PLUMBING APPRENTICESHIP COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES**  
**March 4, 2021**

The State of Arkansas Plumbing Apprenticeship Committee meeting was held on Zoom meeting. Chairman, Kelley Sharp presided over the meeting. He called the meeting to order at 9:32 A.M

**Members present:**

Kelley Sharp, Chairman, Master Plumber, Congressional District 3, University of Arkansas at Fayetteville

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

Steven Dewey, Master Plumber, Congressional District 1

Karen Breashears, Citizen Member, Congressional District 4

James Corser, Master Plumber, Congressional District 2

Rocky Mantooth, State Apprenticeship Program Adviser representing Cody Waits, Office of Skills Development, Department of Commerce, Little Rock

**Members absent:**

Travis Allen, Journeyman Plumber, Congressional District 3

**Guests in Attendance:**

**Ron Baker-Program Advisor**

**Randy Prather-USDOL-OA**

**Dr. Hamby- Director of SAO**

**Ric Mayhan-Health Department**

**Review of Previous Minutes:** Minutes for December 3, 2020

Corser and Dewey Approved

**Old Business:**

**Working on filling Journeyman Plumber, Congressional District 2**

We are still searching.

**New Business:**

- Legislation-Hester and OSD We are monitoring the bills and OSD bill is moving along well.
- Experience Credit: Leonard Foreman 2 Years  
Check on Oklahoma apprenticeship tabled Corser and Kare

**Health Department Report: Ric Mayhan**

Working on getting new updated Numbers

Apprentices	1256
Journeyman	1740
Masters	2142

**USDOL-OA: Randy Prather** reported: Total Apprentices 6789, current programs/ Active 137/121, new Apprentices 900, Completed 174, cancelled 498, Employers 695 to date. Added LaCroix eyeglasses, add IT at NWTI, check overdue, print certificates yourself.

**SAO Report:**

OSD Legislation going well, Dead lines March 15<sup>th</sup>, All schools back in session.

Adjournment was at 10:26 A.M. (Dewey motioned to adjourn Jarrell, seconded)

Next month's Meeting April 1, 2021 Cancelled  
May 6, 2021