

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

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## **MINUTES**

September 7, 2023

**Call to Order: 9:31 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

James Corser, Master Plumber, Congressional District 2

Ronald Jarrell, Master Plumber, Congressional District 4

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

Karen Breashears, Citizen Member, Congressional District 4

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

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

Derrick Daniels – Program Advisor OSD

### **Guests in Attendance:**

Don Bellcock- Program Advisor OSD

Ric Mayhan- AR Dept. of Health

### **US DOL / ADH Absent:**

Cynthia McClain- US DOLL

### **Approval of Minutes from July 6, 2023:**

- Minutes were read. After a motion by Jarrell and a Second by Corser, previous minutes were approved as written.

### **Old Business:**

- None

### **New Business:**

- (00:02:27 Minute Mark)  
Kelley Sharp informed the committee that Jim Ryan had passed away.

**Experience Credit:**

- (00:00:00 Minute Mark)

**Health Department Report: Ric Mayhan**

- (00:27:42 Minute Mark)  
Provided numbers and had to leave. He had nothing else that needed to be discussed. Reviewed License numbers: Apprentice-1,449  
Journeyman- 1,653 Master- 2,257.

**USDOL-OA: Cynthia McLain is unavailable.**

- (00:00:00 Minute Mark)

**OSD Report: Derrick Daniels**

- (00:24:57 Minute Mark)  
AACSC meeting today to discuss the funding rate for FY 24. There are also many CT applications for the meeting. He informed the committee that Modern Plumbing is being purchased. Asked the committee about the affidavit process for Plumbing testing. There is no requirement for an affidavit to be submitted to take the exam, only the application is needed. Don informed the committee that the Booneville apprenticeship program will be able to receive funding this year. Informed the committee that he is still dealing with hour issues with the Fort Smith / Van Buren plumbing program. Kelley agreed with Don about possibly having them turn in a 237 on a monthly bases to help with the hour reporting.  
Completions: Plumbers- 28 for FY 24; August - 20

**Other information:**

- James brought up a law that was passed years ago that said the ratio on a job site can be 1 to 3. US DOL requires 1 to 1. OSHA will expect to see 1 to 1 on the job site according to James. Jarrell noted that he only allowed 1 to 1 on job sites when he had run an apprenticeship program. James said they reached out to US DOL about that ratio, they informed him that it was looked at as being company wide. The programs standards note the ratio. Kelley asked that Derrick send out the rules and law for plumbers to the committee.

**Next Meeting:**

- Date: October 5, 2023
- Location: Via Zoom, unless otherwise notified

**Adjourn:**

- 10:01 A.M. Motion by Jarrell meeting adjourned.