

**Approved Minutes
Operator Certification Board Meeting
April 11, 2007
Matthew Center-Pierre**

Members Present: Del DeBoer, Clint Jost, Tom Lesselyoung, Pete Hesla, Bill Sarringar, John Scheltens

Members Absent : None

Others Present: Rob Kittay-Secretary to the Board

Call to Order by Chairperson DeBoer at 11:00 am.

Approval of Agenda: Kittay received five contracts from BDM RWS and wanted those added to agenda. Hesla asked if some of the contracts that had been provided to the Board previous to meeting could be approved by consent. DeBoer said it could be handled in any manner through a motion at the appropriate time. Scheltens moved approve the amended agenda. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes-The minutes were previously emailed and were available on the internet. Scheltens moved for approve the minutes of the last meeting. Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business-Hesla had some information to present on contact hour requirements in neighboring states. Questions arose concerning availability of courses, use of a sliding scale for different levels, water training vs wastewater training, practicality of tracking hours, etc. A straw poll was taken concerning the status quo. DeBoer asked that the board bring back some thoughts on changing the contact hour requirement to the next meeting. ABC may have more info on this.

Formal Hearings-*Tabor*-Kittay reviewed the case for the board. Jim Kloucek, Tabor UM, has taken the WD I exam five times and failed each time with scores ranging from 53% to 60%. Sarringar moved that enforcement be pursued on this case. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Wolf Creek School-Kittay received some calls on April 9 & 10 from Myron Pourier of Shannon County Schools and Sam O'Rourke of OST S&W concerning contracting the wastewater duties at Wolf Creek School. No contract was submitted prior to the meeting. Hesla moved that enforcement be pursued on this case. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Cattlemen's Saloon-McLaughlin-Kittay received a call on April 10 from Ron Martell, Owner. The site will be sold on Friday and has been closed.

Informal Hearings-DeBoer indicated that the Board would handle the systems that had not submitted contracts.

Fish 'n Fry Campground near Deadwood--John Doerr submitted a letter to Kittay and will be contracting with Ed Striebel. He will submit a contract in early May which is closer to their opening date. Hesla moved to continue this case to the next meeting. Scheltens seconded. Motion passed.

Boondocks near Deadwood-Lisa Jorgenson submitted a letter to the Board. Randy Brooks and she will be taking exams in Spearfish on April 12. Sarringar moved to continue this case to the next meeting. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Geddes-A contract was submitted with Randall RWS that will be handled with the other contracts.

Hoven-An email was sent to Kittay and was presented to the Board. Jost moved to hold a formal hearing for this system at the next meeting. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Pukwana-No exams have been taken, and Kittay received no correspondence from them.

Trout Haven near Deadwood-No exams have been taken, and Kittay received no correspondence from them.

Worthing-Gerald Otte has taken the WD I exam twice and failed it each time. His scores were 59% and 62%. No correspondence was received.

Scheltens moved that the three previous systems have a formal hearing held at the next meeting. Hesla seconded. Motion passed.

Contract Approval-*Geddes*-A contract was submitted by Randall RWS. Sarringar moved to approve the contract. Jost seconded. DeBoer asked if all board members were familiar with the minimum requirements for contracts that the Board had set originally. Kittay stated this information is on the OpCert web site at www.state.us/opcert. Motion passed.

Discussion ensued about the rest of the contracts to be considered. It was pointed out that the Clay RWS contract was much more thorough than the others.

Hesla moved to approve contracts for-

System	Certificates	Contractor
Deer Run Housing	WD I	Clay RWS
Timberwood Pk Estates	SWT I/ WD I	Al Sage
Amherst	WD I	BDM RWS
Pierpont	WD I	BDM RWS
Peever	WD I	BDM RWS
Claremont	WD I	BDM RWS
Lake City	WD I	BDM RWS
White River	WD I/WW I/WWC I	Tammie Hill
76 Ranch Estates-Deadwood	WD I	Rollin Sieveke
Boulder Canyon CC	SWT I	Ron Waterland

Scheltens seconded. Motion passed.

New Systems for Enforcement-Scheltens moved that the following systems have informal hearings at the next meeting-

System	Certificates Lacking
Bradley	WD I
Centerville	WT II/WD I/WW I
Country Acres-Yankton	WD I
Hazel	WD I
Hot Springs KOA	SWT I
Parker	WT II
Sawtooth Saloon-Piedmont	SWT I
Willow Lake	SWT I

Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Accommodations for Dyslexia and/or Inability to Read-The Board has received requests to accommodate an examinee with dyslexia and from one that cannot read very well. Kittay received input from surrounding states. ABC supplied a form that they use for someone to request accommodations for dyslexia. It must come from a doctor. ABC does not accommodate for the inability to read for non-medical reasons. DeBoer moved to make accommodations for examinees with dyslexia, modify the ABC form, and proceed with the exam process. Scheltens seconded. Kittay asked questions on the testing procedure. The board was willing to let Kittay decide the specifics for each case and how an exam will be administered. Motion passed.

Review of ABC Wastewater Treatment and Collection Exams-The Board reviewed the new wastewater treatment and collection exams from ABC. Numerous questions will have to be replaced.

Other Business-None

Next Meeting-The next meeting will be on the Tuesday preceding the SDWWA Conference in Watertown.

DeBoer moved for adjournment. Scheltens seconded. Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.



April 12, 2007

Rob Kittay

Date