

**Unapproved Minutes  
Operator Certification Board Meeting  
September 9, 2008  
Ramkota Inn-Pierre**

**Members Present:** Del DeBoer, Clint Jost, Tom Lesselyoung, Bill Sarringar, Tim McGannon

**Members Absent :** Pete Hesla

**Others Present:** Rob Kittay, Secretary to the Board; Tammy/Rusty Karlson-Lantern Estates; Jim Zeck-SDARWS

Call to Order by Chairperson DeBoer at 2:12 pm.

The Board introduced themselves to those present. Members of the audience also introduced themselves.

**Approval of Agenda:** Kittay wanted to add a reciprocity case (Kelly Corbin) and a job experience review to the agenda. Sarringar moved to approve the amended minutes. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes:** McGannon moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

**Old Business:** There was none forthcoming.

**Reciprocity:** Tristen Magdziarz (Class D Wastewater Treatment from MN)-The requirements for this MN certificate are a high school graduation and one year of experience. Jost moved that a Class I WW from SD be granted. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Kelly Corbin (Class I Wastewater Treatment from AR)-No work experience is required for this certificate so it is not equivalent to any SD certificate. Lesselyoung moved that no certificate be granted as the requirements for this certificate are lower than any SD certificate. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

**Formal Hearings:** Trout Haven-This system was sold so no action was taken.

Lantern Estates-Kittay explained the situation. Ms. Karlson's certificate was non-renewable after the two year grace period expired on February 1, 2008. The system has not had a certified operator since February 1, 2006 as on that date Ms. Karlson's certificate was suspended. Ms. Karlson has had some medical issues that she explained in depth. George Vansco has supplied some help at the system. She intends to take an exam soon. The training class schedule was also discussed. It was suggested that she take the class to give her the best opportunity to pass the exam. Her original certificate was "grandfathered", and she has never taken an exam. They had also looked into a contract operator. DeBoer moved that DENR pursue enforcement on January 1, 2009 if there is still no certified operator at Lantern Estates. McGannon seconded. Sarringar reminded Ms. Karlson that she needed to register two weeks in advance for exam. Motion passed.

Spokane Creek Resort-Kittay spoke with the owner (Clayton Blankenship) on Monday. The resort will only be open ten more days this year. There are two possible buyers for the property. He will come and take exam if property is not sold. McGannon moved that DENR pursue enforcement on January 1, 2009 if there is still no certified operator at Spokane Creek. Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

Crooked Creek Camps-Doug Olson registered for an exam on April 17, 2008 but did not appear. Sarringar moved that DENR pursue enforcement as there is still no certified operator at this system. McGannon seconded. Motion passed.

**Informal Hearings:** Belle Fourche Livestock-A contract was submitted for review.

Deer Mountain-Stacy Galland had his WD I certificate suspended on February 1, 2007 and was then subsequently found not to work for Deer Mountain. Randy O’Neill’s WT I certificate was suspended on February 1, 2008 for failing to renew it. O’Neill claims to have a certified operator working at the system but has never provided written notification of this despite numerous requests for this information. Sarringar moved that a final hearing be held at the next Board meeting. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Greenwood Colony-There was no response from the Colony concerning this hearing. Lesselyoung moved that a final hearing be held at the next Board meeting. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Mellette-There may be a possibility of contracting with Sewer Duck; however, no contract has been submitted. Sarringar moved that a final hearing be held at the next Board meeting. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

**Contracts:** Sheridan Lake Highlands/Richard Sudmeier-This will take care of the water treatment certificate for the system. They also need a WD certificate. DeBoer moved to approve this contract. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Belle Fourche Livestock/Jim Emery-A lengthy contract was submitted for the Board’s review. McGannon moved to approve this contract. Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

**Status of Certification:** The Board reviewed the latest status information on systems without certified operators. Lesselyoung moved to schedule informal hearings at the next Board meeting for the following systems-

<b>System</b>	<b>Lacking Certificate(s)</b>
Broken Arrow	SWT I
Conde	WD I
Corsica	WD I WW I WWC I
DeBerg Water	WD I
Huron Colony	WD I
Mission Hill	WD I
Nemo Guest Ranch-Store	SWT I
Parker	WD I WWC I
Sunshine Bible Academy	WD I

McGannon seconded. Motion passed.

**Other Business**-Brookings Municipal Utilities submitted a resume to review for possible experience for certification. DeBoer moved that the individual be granted two years of experience for water treatment exams. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

**Next Meeting**-The next meeting will be a stand-alone meeting in Pierre during April 2009. Kittay will work on a date satisfactory for the Board.

Jost moved for adjournment. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 3:21 pm.



September 15, 2008

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Rob Kittay

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Date