

**Unapproved Minutes
Operator Certification Board Meeting
April 9, 2009
Matthew Center-Pierre**

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

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Rob Kittay, Secretary to the Board; and Jim Zeck, SDARWS

Call to Order by Chairperson DeBoer at 11:01 am.

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

Approval of Agenda: Kittay wanted to add a resume review to determine exam eligibility for Steven Boone from Sioux Falls. Jost moved to approve the amended agenda. Hesla seconded. Motion passed.

Election of Chairperson: McGannon nominated DeBoer. Lesselyoung seconded. DeBoer nominated McGannon. No second was forthcoming. McGannon moved that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for DeBoer. Sarringar seconded. Passed.

Approval of Minutes: Kittay had a correction to September, 2008 minutes. Under "Approval of Agenda", "amended minutes" should be "amended agenda". McGannon moved to approve the amended minutes from the last meeting. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business: There was none forthcoming.

Resume Review: Kittay explained the situation. He had spoken to Steven Boone and told him was not eligible to take an exam because of no operating experience. Boone asked that the Board review his resume. McGannon moved that Boone was not eligible to take an exam. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Reciprocity: Manual Roa has a Class I Water Treatment from Oregon. The requirements for this certificate are high school graduation and 12 months work experience. Kittay recommended that an SD Class I WT certificate be granted. Sarringar moved as such. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Dane Brewer has a Class A Water Treatment from Colorado. He received this thru reciprocity from Nebraska. NE does not allow operators to transfer certificates to their state. McGannon moved to disapprove reciprocity because originating state will not allow operators to transfer there. Lesselyoung seconded. Discussion ensued. Motion passed.

Dale Williams-No follow-up information was received from New Jersey so his applications could not be acted on.

William Carr has a Grade IV Water treatment from Utah. The requirements for this certificate are high school graduation and eight years work experience. Kittay recommended that an SD Class IV WT certificate be granted. Sarringar moved as such. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Formal Hearings: Greenwood Colony-The colony has been without a certified operator since February 22, 2007, and an exam has been failed twice. Lesselyoung moved that the case be turned over for enforcement. Hesla seconded. Motion passed.

Mellette-A contract was submitted to have Municipal Management run the system. McGannon moved to approve the contract. Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

Informal Hearings: Conde-The city has been without a certified operator since at least November 27, 2007. The WD I exam has been failed twice with the last attempt on July 31, 2008. Sarringar moved that a final hearing be held at the next Board meeting. Hesla seconded. Motion passed.

Corsica-The city has not been operated by a completely certified operator since at least December 4, 2007. Ron Grosz has passed WW I exam on November 20, 2008. No other exams have been attempted. Jost moved that a final hearing be held at the next Board meeting. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Huron Colony-The colony has been without a certified operator since at least September 4, 2007. The WD I exam has been failed twice with the last attempt on January 29, 2009. There was also a "no show" on February 26, 2009 due to weather. DeBoer moved that a final hearing be held at the next Board meeting. McGannon seconded. Motion passed.

Parker-The city is lacking only a WWC I. The other exams have been passed. Hesla moved to "continue" this hearing at the next Board meeting. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

Contracts: Rendezvous Ranch and Ed Striebel-McGannon moved to approve this contract. Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

Country Village North and South and Gary Albers-The two systems need a WT I and WD I operator. Gary Albers has only a WT I certificate. McGannon moved to approve the contract with the notifying letter stating that they were still lacking a WD I operator. Lesselyoung seconded. Motion passed.

Waubay and Bob Wagers-The purpose of the contract is to have Wagers train Waubay's new operator until May 1, 2009. Jost moved to approve this contract. DeBoer seconded. Motion passed.

TM RWS and SDARWS-Jim Zeck explained the contract. TM RWS has a new Class III WTP. Lesselyoung moved to approve this contract. Jost seconded. Motion passed.

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

Baltic	WD I WW I WWC I
Bowdle	WD I WW I WWC I
Centerville	WT II
Coffee Cup Fuel Stop-Hot Springs	SWT I
Marvin	SWT I WD I

Sarringar seconded. Motion passed.

Review of ABC Wastewater Exams: The Board reviewed national exams for suitability in SD. The exams will be submitted to ABC for substitute questions.

Other Business-There was none.

Next Meeting-The next meeting will be in Spearfish on September 15, 2009 at 2:00 pm MDT prior to the SDWWA Conference.

Hesla moved for adjournment. McGannon seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 3:07.



April 30, 2009

Rob Kittay

Date