

Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems Board
Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2025

Chairman Waskowicz called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Board Members Present:

David J. Waskowicz	Unlimited Journeyperson, Chairperson
Shaun Martin	Unlimited Contractor
Anthony Moscato	Public Member
Kevin Wypychoski	Unlimited Contractor
Wayne Roderick	Unlimited Journeyperson
Kevin Griffith	State Fire Marshal

Board Members Not Present:

Board Vacancies: (2) Public Member(s)
 (1) Local Fire Marshal

DCP Staff Present

John Mesner, Occupational Trades Manager
Janita Hamel, Supervising Special Investigator
Rachelle Hyburg, Board Coordinator
Pamela Brown, Director of Investigations
Colleen Lucey, Visual Media Specialist

Public Present

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Peter Willse
Lawrence Vallieres

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

- Review of the May 29, 2025, Meeting Minutes.
 - Board Member Wypychoski made a motion to approve. Board Member Roderick seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

- Review of the complaint status report
 - 05.01.2025 to 06.30.2025
 - Open: 2
 - Closed: 4
 - AVC Fines: \$3,500

DCP LEGAL DIVISION

- Chairman Waskowicz requested that the settlement report review be added to the next meeting agenda

OLD BUSINESS

- Backflow Discussion
 - No updates were discussed in today's meeting

NEW BUSINESS

- Ratio Relief Discussion
 - Discussion on recent legislation transferring hiring ratio relief authority from DOL to DCP.
 - Applies to Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing, and Fire Protection boards.
 - Electrical Board Chairman Vallieres participated in this conversation and shared some of the ideas that the Electrical Board began discussing.
 - **Key Points:**
 - Statutory hiring ratios remain unchanged.
 - Contractors seeking 8 or fewer apprentices will apply through DCP; DOL will verify program compliance.
 - Requests for more than 8 apprentices will require board review and approval.
 - Boards must establish policies by February 1, 2026.
 - **Concerns Raised:**
 - Potential misuse of licenses from non-field personnel (e.g., project managers) to justify additional apprentices.
 - Importance of ensuring apprentices receive proper supervision and training.
 - Risk of apprentices being used as inexpensive labor without adequate oversight.

- **Suggestions Discussed Today:**
 - Require contractors to list licensees and their roles (e.g., field vs. office).
 - Monitor contractor compliance and revoke relief if violations occur.
- **Next Steps:**
 - Schedule a meeting to develop a policy and consider a joint meeting with other boards for consistency across the trades.

CORRESPONDENCE

- None

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ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Moscato made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Board Member Wypychoski seconded the motion. Chairman Waskowicz adjourned the meeting at 9:50 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rachelle Hyburg
Board Coordinator

2025 Meeting Schedule

December 04 – In-Person