

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
October 02, 2025

Chairman Barrieau called the meeting to order at 9:06 am.

Board Members Present:

Robert H. Barrieau, Chairperson	Unlimited Contractor
John T. Higgins, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyman
Brent Davenport	Unlimited Contractor
David G. Foster	Unlimited/General Contractor
Michael Rosario	Unlimited Journeyman
Emmanuel Heredia	Sheet Metal Journeyman
Cameron G. Champlin, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyman

Board Members Not Present:

Mark Macchio	Public Member
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Board Vacancies:

(1) Sheet Metal Limited Contractor
(3) Public Members

DCP Staff Present:

Rachelle Hyburg, Board Coordinator
John Mesner, Director of Operations
Janita Hamel, Supervising Special Investigator

Public Present:

Josh Crocco
Francisco Santiago
Jason Bear
Brandon Winzer
Travis Thompson
James W. Versocki, Esq.
Patrick Lynn
George A. Kennedy

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Investigations Division. For more information, refer to DCP Agency website: www.ct.gov/dcp.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

- Review of the July 22, 2025, meeting minutes.
 - Board Member Rosario made a motion to accept. Board Member Heredia seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

- None

DCP INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT:

- 07.01.25 to 08.31.25
 - Open: 15
 - Closed: 28
 - AVC: \$9,250

DCP LEGAL DIVISION

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Update on the transition from the Certified Employee Training Program (CETP) to the PERC Education Program (PEP)
 - a. No update for today's meeting
2. Update on CT Apprenticeship Program (D2 and/or S2) with Local 30 Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (JATC) discussion
 - a. Local 30 withdrew their request for review
3. Ratio Relief Discussion
 - a. The Board continued some discussion regarding ratio relief and developing a Board policy. Further discussion will take place between the Board Chairs in an effort to remain uniform.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Applications for Review:

a. Brandon Winzer – HTG.0413152-S2

- i. Board Member Champlin moved to deny the applicant sit for the S2 exam. Board Member Higgins seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-1-0).
- ii. The board provided a couple of pathways for licensure. The applicant could pursue an S10 and D1 license. It was explained that pursuing an S10 would require one year of an apprenticeship to then pursue an S2 license after that time.
- iii. Board Member Rosario moved to approve the applicant sit for the S10 exam and noted that the applicant may apply for an S2 after the year apprenticeship has been completed. Board Member Higgins seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-1-0).

b. Francisco Santiago – HTG.0414056-S2

- i. The Board discussed that the applicant would qualify for a D2 license.
- ii. Board Member Rosario moved to deny the applicant sit for the S2 exam. Board Member Foster seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- iii. Board Member Foster moved to approve the applicant sit for the D2 exam. Board Member Higgins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

c. Travis Thompson – HTG.0414173-S9

- i. Board Member Foster moved to approve the applicant sit for the S9 exam. Board Member Rosario seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

d. Joshua Crocco – HTG.0414253-S1

- i. Board Member Foster moved to approve the applicant sit for the S1 exam. Board Member Higgins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Appearing for Guidance

a. George Kennedy – S1 Licensure

- i. Board Member Higgins moved to deem Mr. Kennedy's credentials equivalent to apply for an S1 license. They've held a D1 license for 12 years and an S2 for 4 months. Board Member Davenport seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Proposed OE2 regulation change

- a. Board Member Foster moved to approve recommendation of the proposed regulation changes and noted that Local 30 may proceed with the program starting in January. Board Member Higgins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY

- Chairman Barrieau inquired about an update on the BM1 and BM2 license. John Mesner noted that no changes have been made, it is just open for public comment at this time.
- Clarification was provided regarding PR2025-019
 - There are no changes being made, just moving the information from one section to another.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Barrieau adjourned the meeting at 10:33 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachelle Hyburg
Board Coordinator