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STATE ELECTRICAL BOARD-- March 2017

The meeting was held in the conference room located in the Country Inn & Suites located at 5353 N 27th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. President Jim Brummer called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Members present; Stan Elsasser, Cory Mueller, Ed Bergstraesser, and George Morrissey. Also present were Jeff Dvorak, Ken Woodruff, Don Mohlman, Dennis Carraher, Mike Bouwens Chief State Electrical Inspector, and Kevin Booker Executive Director.

Minutes of the February 10, 2017 meeting were read, George Morrissey moved and Stan Elsasser seconded a motion to approve the minutes. Voting aye; Brummer, Mueller, Elsasser, Morrissey, and Bergstraesser; voting nay; none, motion carried.

JEFF DVORAK

Jeff Dvorak testified that he felt that he should be able to Exam using his Industrial experience as qualification. Citing that two others had been able to exam using the Industrial experience. They were allowed to exam without being registered as an apprentice, prior to the requirement that they had to be registered and work under an Electrical Contractor. Jeff was registered as of February of 2017, he was given one year for the schooling and now needs to fulfill the remaining time of being registered as an apprentice and will be eligible for taking the exam in 2020.

The board agreed that Jeff Dvorak should remain registered for the next 36 months and then be allowed to take the exam.

MED CENTER

Don Mohlman was representing the Med Center and was requesting variance on the GFCI requirement of "Readily Accessible". Dennis explained that receptacles within 6' of the sinks should be GFCI, however, behind Microwaves and small refrigerators. Ed recommended that Dennis work with the Med Center and work out a reasonable compromise. Ed Bergstraesser made a motion and Stan Elsasser seconded it to have Dennis work it out with the Med Center. Voting aye; Brummer, Mueller, Elsasser, Morrissey and Bergstraesser; voting nay; none, motion carried.

LEROY STEBBING

Leroy Stebbing had a Doctor's note to explain why he wasn't able to complete continuing education by 1/1/2017, his continuing education was approved to issue his license.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Booker reported the revenue for February was \$152,555.40 with expenses of \$108,130.97 for a Gain of \$44,424.43, leaving the cash on hand balance of \$1,216,188.15

EXAMINATION REPORT

The Omaha exam was held 2/22/2017 with 90 appearing and a 40% pass rate

DIRECTORS REPORT

Informed that due to the remodel of the Capital we will have to move. Have to move by September 1, 2017. They only showed us one, they will cover the rent increase for 10 years. At the end of the 10 year lease, we either take over or move elsewhere.

CONTINUING EDUCATION APPLICATIONS

Larry Schmidt wants to offer online continuing education for electricians. (Approved)
Home Prep (Not Approved)
St. Cloud Community College (not approved)

NEW BUSINESS

Discussed having a promoted position for the inspectors in hopes of getting some inspectors a raise. Table and bring up on next month's agenda.
Board approved 2% raise for Melissa Hamilton, Mike Bouwens, and Kevin Booker.
Bergstraesser moved and George Morrissey seconded. Voting aye; Brummer, Mueller, Elsasser, Morrissey and Bergstraesser; voting nay; none, motion carried.

Journeyman out of Omaha, forged permit papers, what should we do. Board said to let the Municipality

Cory Mueller moved and, Ed Bergstraesser seconded a motion to adjourn. Voting aye; Brummer, Ourada, Elsasser, Mueller, Morrissey, and Hiller; voting nay; none, motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 10.02 a.m.


Kevin Booker, Executive Secretary.