

**BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS REGULATORY  
WORKGROUP MINUTES**

The Board for Contractors Regulatory Workgroup met on Monday, September 19, 2022 at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

Caitlin King, Chairman  
Wiley "Bif" Johnson, Vice Chairman  
Shawn Mitchell, Board Member  
Donald Groh, Board Member  
Jeffrey Hux, Board Member  
Deborah Tomlin, Board Member  
Kyler Hedrick, AGC  
Terrence Kerner, Atlantic Constructors Inc.  
Angela Lawhorne, Virginia Community College System

Panel Member(s) absent from the meeting:

John O'Dell, Board Member  
Vernell Woods, Board Member  
Alvin Pardo-Monell, Board Member

The following DPOR staff members were present for all or part of the meeting:

Demetrios Melis, Director  
Kishore Thota, Chief Deputy Director  
Steve Kirschner, Deputy Director  
Eric Olson, Executive Director  
Marjorie King, Board Administrator  
Mary Charity, Licensing Supervisor  
Stephanie Keuther, Administrative Coordinator

**Ms. King** called the September 19, 2022 Board for Contractors Regulatory Workgroup Meeting to order at 10:05A.M.

**Call To Order**

**Mr. Hux** made a motion seconded by **Mr. Johnson** to adopt the Agenda of September 19, 2022.

**Approval of Agenda**

**The motion was approved with a vote of 9-0-0. Ayes:** King, Johnson, Groh, Tomlin, Hux, Mitchell, Hedrick, Lawhorne, and Kerner. **Nays:** None **Abstain:** None **Absent:** Woods, Pardo-Monell, O'Dell, DOLI, IIBAV, VBCOA, Pro Central Virginia Information Technologies Agency, and Pro Professional Remodeling.

**Ms. King** opened the Public Comment section of the meeting.

**Public Comment**

With no one else wishing to come forward **Ms. King** closed the Public Comment section of the meeting.

**New Business**

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**Regulatory Review Introduction**

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Eric Olson, Executive Director reviewed the Regulatory Review Process with the Workgroup.

Mitch Melis, Director welcomed staff and the public to the Work group, and introduced the Secretary of Labor Bryan Slater, and Deputy Secretary of Labor Anthony Reedy.

**Regulatory Review – Review of the Individual License and Certification Regulation recommendations**

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Eric Olson, Executive Director informed the Workgroup the Board for Contractors in accordance with Executive Directive One and current statutory requirements, seeks to amend its Individual eligibility requirements by amending the required years of experience and/or vocational training to obtain approval to sit for an examination and enter the profession. These amendments would affect Journeyman and Master electrical, plumbing, heating ventilation and cooling, gas fitter, liquefied petroleum gas fitter, and natural gas fitter tradesman.

Mr. Olson opened the floor to members of the public regarding Individual License and Certification Regulation recommendations.

Jason Parker, IBFW – Apposed

Rick Orange - Apposed

Lou Spencer, UA Local 5 Plumbers and Gasfitters, and VA BCFC – Apposed

Robert O'Neal, W.R. O'Neal Electric Inc. – Apposed

Greg Davis, Steamfitters Local 602 – Apposed

Rudy Middleton, E. G. Middleton, Inc – Apposed

Michael Young, Local 10 Training Director – Apposed

Victoria Napky, Local 10 Plumbers – Apposed

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Charles Keller – Apposed  
Gerald Dix – Apposed  
Nate Davenport, Local 10 Plumbers and Steamfitters – Apposed  
Bryan Halstead, RJATC – Apposed  
Mr. Hagnore – Apposed  
Doris Crouse-Mays, VA AFL-CIO – Apposed  
Julia Hammond, ABC VA - Apposed  
Chris Padalli – Apposed  
Steven Verrocchio – Apposed  
Terrence Kerner, Atlantic Constructors Inc. – Apposed  
Angela Lawhorne, Virginia Community College System - Apposed  
Kyler Hedrick, AGC – Apposed

Eric Olson, Executive Director informed the Workgroup in accordance with Executive Directive One and current statutory requirements, the Board for Contractors seeks to exempt all individuals who have successfully completed an apprenticeship program approved by the U.S. Department of Labor or the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry from the requirement to sit for the applicable examination in order to obtain a journeyman license issued by the Board.

Mr. Olson opened the floor to members of the public regarding Individual License and Certification Regulation recommendations.

Gerald Dix – Apposed  
Jason Parker, IBEW – Apposed  
Lou Spencer, UA Local 5 Plumbers and Gasfitters, and VA BCTC – Apposed  
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Eric Olson, Executive Director informed the Workgroup in accordance with Executive Directive One and current statutory requirements, the Board for Contractors seeks to amend its renewal requirements by eliminating continuing education for all professions not required by statute; tradesman with electrical, plumbing, heating ventilation and cooling, gas fitter, liquefied petroleum gas fitter, and natural gas fitter.

Gerald Dix – Apposed  
Jim Avery, IBEW, Apposed  
Rudy Middleton, E. G. Middleton, Inc – Apposed  
Jason Parker, IBEW – Apposed  
Rick Orange - Apposed

Bryan Slater, Secretary of Labor thanked everyone for their participation. Mr. Slater stated the Administration is looking to create jobs while continuing to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Mr. Slater encourages the workgroup and public to work together for solutions.

**Recess**

Chairman. King called a recess to the meeting at 11:52 A.M.  
Chairman, King called the meeting back to order at 12:21 P.M.

**Recess**

**Review of the Board for Contractors Regulations**

Eric Olson, Executive Director informed the Workgroup in accordance with Executive Directive One and current statutory requirements, the Workgroup will review a line by line review of the Contractors Regulations to determine if they currently meet those requirements or should be amended or removed.

**Review of the Board  
for Contractors  
Regulations**

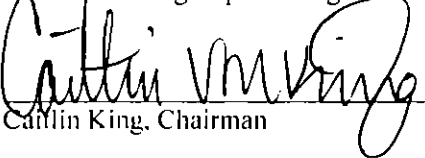
The Workgroup continued the line by line review of the Contractors Regulations. No action was taken at this time and will continue into the next Workgroup meeting on October 24, 2022.

**Adjournment**

Ms. King thanked the Workgroup and Staff and adjourned the Workgroup Meeting at 4:00P.M.

**Adjournment**

The next Workgroup Meeting will be October 24, 2022

  
Caitlin King, Chairman

  
Date

