

Board of High Pressure Piping Systems
Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2007
Minnesota Room – Department of Labor and Industry
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Members Present:

Mark Geisenhof
Pat Galatz
Larry Jordan
Jim Andrie
Larry Stevens, Jr.
Mark Kincs
Peg Larsen
Therese Bozicevich
Bob Bastianelli
Maureen Hanson
Vicki Sandberg
Tom Joachim (DLI Commissioner's designee)
David Grong

Staff Present:

John Schultz
Todd Green
Wendy Legge
Kevin Wilkins
Annette Trnka

Visitors:

Matthew Lemke
Gary Thaden

Members Absent:

None

I. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Larry Jordan at 1:38 p.m.

II. Approval of Meeting Agenda

Andrie moved to accept the Agenda, seconded by Bastianelli. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Larson moved to approve previous minutes, as amended, and was seconded by Galatz. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

IV. Regular Business – John Schultz

a. Expense approval

Galatz moved and was seconded by Stevens to accept Per Diems from current Board meeting. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

b. Approve license reciprocity agreement(s)

Kevin Wilkins of CCLD stated that there is only one other state in the country that has comparable license requirements as MN, therefore he doesn't anticipate having a reciprocating proposal before the Board at any time. Joachim moved and was seconded by Sandberg to take license reciprocity agreements off the Agenda. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

V. Special Order of Business

a. Sub-committee for HPP Rules review

Todd Green reviewed the changes to the High Pressure Piping and Code For Power Piping code changes. The Board will have the authority to indicate which code will govern High Pressure Piping. The existing codes are outdated and need updating. If the National Standards is accepted and specified in the rules, those are the rules that would apply until you went through the rule-making process again to update. The National Standards are updated every three years. It was stated that the National Standards generally fit Minnesota. However, rules regarding licensing and definitions (such as the definition of "Repair") will still need to be created or defined. Possible sub-committees were discussed, including a group for Welding/Steam/Ammonia, a group for Licensing and a group for Bio-Processing. A BPE Code is being constructed now. Joachim stated there are six categories: administrative, licensing, welding, steam, ammonia and bio-processing. He proposed that CCLD comes back to the Board for each of the six categories with sections that are in the existing code that would need to be reviewed by sub-committees. Joachim went on to propose that the sub-committees should be composed of 3-4 members and then they can prioritize the suggestions as to which rules need updating. It was decided that no motion was necessary on that issue. Joachim then went on to state that in the previous set of rules, there were 3 or 4 issues that were controversial, one was the definition "Repair." He then stated that Todd Green would be putting together the bullet points of the "hot" issues to make sure that the HPPS Board is aware that in Welding, this is going to be an issue in the industry and what the pros and cons are and what was previously proposed.

VI. Committee Reports - None

VII. Complaints - None

VIII. Open Forum - None

IX. Board Discussion

Wendy Legge gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Open Meeting Law.

X. Announcements

The next regularly scheduled meeting is: January 29, 2008, 10:00 a.m. Motion made by Larsen, seconded by Sandberg. The vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

The following scheduled meeting is March 6, 2008, no time determined.

XI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Galatz and seconded by Bastianelli to adjourn the meeting at 3:30 p.m. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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