

**Minutes of the Advisory Board of Examiners
for Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator
Certification
December 16, 2004**

Present for the meeting on December 16th were: Deborah Metz, Chairwoman, Christopher Clark, vice-chair, Robert Brown, member; Dail Hollopeter, member; Kirk Leifheit, member, Richard Lorenz, member (arrived at 9:29); David Bornino, OEPA, Chris Bowman, OEPA-DSW and Andrew Barienbrock, Certification Unit.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:44 AM. Christopher Clark made a motion, seconded by Robert Brown, to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2004 meeting. Motion carried.

1. Class IV, Part I

The Board received notification that the Division of Drinking Water, the Division of Surface Water and the Office of Legal Services have reviewed and recommended the following actions related to Part I applications:

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Thomas Hanes	Lake County Department of Utilities	Wastewater	DSW and Office of Legal Services Recommend Approval.
Jenkin D. Williams	City of Canton	Water	DDAGW and Office of Legal Services Recommend Approval.

2. Class IV, Part II (action)

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Mike Heilman	City of Kenton WWTP	Wastewater	Return for additional information.
Ken Stoneman	Lake County Department of Utilities	Water	Recommend Approval.
Ron Wetzel	Ottawa County Regional WTP	Water	Return for additional information.

Kirk Leifheit made a motion, seconded by Robert Brown, to recommend that the Class IV, Part II examinations of Mike Heilman and Ron Wetzel be returned for additional information in various sections and the Class IV, Part II examination of Ken Stoneman be approved. Motion carried.

3. Class IV, Part II (in review)

WATER

NAME, LOCATION	KL	CC	VC	RL	DH	DM	BB
Thomas Sudman, City of Celina	**		**	**		**	
John Geller, Heath (only 1 copy)				**		X	

** denotes who currently has package
 x denotes who has reviewed package

WASTEWATER

NAME, LOCATION	KL	CC	VC	RL	DH	DM	BB
Royce Beaverson, City of Bowling Green	**	**			**		**
Joe Hart, US Filter	**	**			**		**
Thomas W. Stickle, City of Aurora (1 copy)		**					
Jeffrey A. Vaughn, EORWA		**			**	**	**

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4. OIT's

NAME	EXAM TYPE	ACTION
Dwight Cole	WC I	Recommend Approval
Brian J. Curran	WS I	Recommend Approval next month.
Tommy Durbin	WS I	Recommend Approval
Donald Green	WD I	Need Additional Time
David Herrman	WS I	Recommend Approval
Gregory Lane	WW I	Need Additional Time
Arthur Keith	WS I	Need Additional Time
Stephen Manns	WS I	Recommend Approval
Matthew McBeth	WW I	Recommend Approval
David Mehring	WS I	Recommend Approval
Rayka Petkova	WS III	Recommend Approval
Travis Pitts	WW I	Recommend Approval

Andrew Rossiter	WW III	Recommend Approval
Daniel J. Sferra	WD II	Recommend Approval
John Sopko	WS I	Recommend Approval
Michael Stebelton	WW II	Recommend Approval
Neil Vollrath	WD I	Recommend Approval
Dominic Wray	WD II	Recommend Approval

Robert Brown made a motion, seconded by Dail Hollopete, to recommend that Brian J. Curren be approved next month, Donald Green, Gregory Lane and Arthur Keith resubmit once additional time is completed and approve the OIT documentation and recommend the issuance of certificates to all of the rest of the operators above. Motion carried.

5. Strategic Plan

The Board continued to discuss potential revisions to the Class IV exam. The Board will make final decisions on the Class IV exam at the January 2005 meeting.

7. Other Business

The Board reviewed an OIT extension request from Todd Brandenburg. Richard Lorenz made a motion, seconded by Robert Brown to approve the OIT extension. Motion carried.

The Board discussed changes that California State University, Sacramento (CSUS) has made to its industrial pretreatment training program. CSUS has split their course into two volumes similar to the water and wastewater setup. OEPA has previously recognized the pretreatment course for six months experience. In light of the changes the Board indicated that they would recommend that the amount of experience given for pretreatment be 3 months for each volume 1 and 2. Andy indicated that this summer he would also be changing the application to eliminate the section of the application with this information. In the future the information will be maintained in a list that is published on the internet. In the event that changes like this are necessary it will be much easier to update the list rather than changing exam applications.

Being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 15th, 2004. Richard Lorenz, motioned, Christopher Clark seconded. Motion carried.

Board Approved: February 17, 2005