

Minutes of the Advisory Board of Examiners for Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators February 19, 2004

Present for the meeting on February 19th were: Robert Brown, chair; Debbie Metz, vice chair; Chris Clark, member; Dail Hollopetter, member; Kirk Leifheit, secretary; Richard Lorenz, member; Vui Chung, member; Karen Morr, Certification Unit, and Andrew Barienbrock, Certification Unit.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:38am. A motion was made by Chris Clark, seconded by Debbie Metz, to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2004 meeting and revisions to the December 2003 meeting minutes.

1. Class IV, Part I

The Board reviewed the following Part I applications &/or additional information:

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE
Joseph Hart	North Regional WWTP and Franklin Area WWTP	Wastewater
Vincenzo J. LoDuca	City of Cleveland (Nottingham WTP)	Water
David McNeeley	Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District	Wastewater
Dennis J. O'Brien	Ohio American Water Company	Water

The Divisions and Legal sections have recommended approval of all.

2. Class IV, Part II (new)

Name	Location	Type	Rec'd Date	Number copies
Royce Beaverson	City of Bowling Green	WW	2/12/04	4
Douglas P. Clark	City of Van Wert	WW	1/28/04	3

3. Class IV, Part II (resubmittals)

Name	Location	Type	Rec'd Date	Number copies
David S. Brown	City of Springfield	WW	02/17/04	4
Keith B. Collins	City of Mason	WW	02/18/04	4
Charles Knott	City of Cambridge	WS	02/10/04	4

4. Class IV, Part II (action)

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
William H. Beyer (resubmittal)	Cincinnati MSD	Wastewater	Recommend approval.
John Hoff (resubmittal)	City of Columbus (resubmittal)	Wastewater	Recommend approval.
Michael Hunter	City of Wooster	Water	Recommend approval.
James Koch (resubmittal)	Clermont County	Water	Return for several sections.
R. Earnest Stickler (resubmittal)	City of Mason	Water	Recommend approval.

A motion was made by Dail Hollopeter, seconded by Chris Clark, to recommend that the Class IV, Part II examinations of William H. Beyer, John Hoff, Michael Hunter, and R. Earnest Stickler be approved. The Class IV, Part II examination of James Koch will be returned for additional information in various sections. Motion carried.

5. Class IV, Part II (in review)

WATER

NAME, LOCATION	KL	CC	VC	RL	DH	DM	BB
Charles Knott, City of Cambridge (resubmittal)	**		**	**		**	

WASTEWATER

NAME, LOCATION	KL	CC	VC	RL	DH	DM	BB
Royce Beaverson, City of Bowling Green	**	**			**		**
David S. Brown, City of Springfield (resubmittal)		**	**		**		**
Douglas P. Clark, City of Van Wert		**			**	**	
Keith B. Collins, City of Mason (resubmittal)	**	**			**		**
John J. Nemet, Newton Falls		X	X		X		**

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

6. OIT's

NAME	EXAM TYPE	ACTION
Michael P. Braun	WD II	Recommend approval.
Robert J. Collins	WW II	Recommend approval.
Glorianna L. Corman	WW I	Needs additional time.
James S. Dunn	WW I	Hold for additional information.
Paul E. Howard	WW II	Needs additional time.
Sandra Humphrey	WC II	Recommend approval.
Kirk A. Morris	WW II	Needs additional time.
CarrieAnne M. Rosemark-Langdon	WW II	Recommend approval.
Johnny K. Shingleton	WW I	Needs additional time.
Carel Vandermeijden	WS III	Recommend approval.

A motion was made by Dail Hollopeter, seconded by Kirk Leifheit, to recommend approval of the OIT documentation and issue certificates to all of the above except Glorianna L. Corman, Paul E. Howard, Kirk A. Morris, and Johnny K. Shingleton who need additional time documentation and James S. Dunn who needs additional information. Motion carried.

7. “Need to Know” Criteria

Andrew Barienbrock shared the rough draft of the cover page for the “need to know” criteria. Andrew Barienbrock shared a copy of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection’s formula sheets for the water and wastewater operator certification exams which could be added to the “need to know” criteria. The Board will review these formula sheets to determine which formulas are applicable to Ohio’s water and wastewater operator certification programs. The formulas may be broken into Class I, II, III categories for the “need to know” criteria. Andrew and Kirk will discuss the criteria with the Operator Training Committee of Ohio.

8. Strategic Plan

The Board worked on the revisions to the Class IV certification exam during the meeting.

The Board shared several comments and concerns regarding the possible changes to Ohio Administrative Code 3745-7.

9. Contact Hour Update

The Board discussed a contact hour course approval application for the course, “Great Moments in Mathematics”. The Board recommended that this course be returned for additional information on the applicability of the course to the operation and maintenance of a water and/or wastewater treatment facility.

10. OpCert Database Update

Andrew Barienbrock gave an update.

11. Other Business

- Bob Brown asked what is the status of the Stakeholder’s meeting for Class IV examination and certification. Kirk Leifheit indicated that the Director’s response letter has been started.

- Andrew Barienbrock shared a letter from Robert Bray regarding his operator certification in Florida and the possibility of receiving reciprocity in Ohio. The Board will not consider reciprocity without the proper application. Andrew will respond to Mr. Bray.

12. Exam Reviews Update and Challenges

The Board reviewed the exam challenges listed in the table below.

EXAM NO.	EXAM	QUESTION	ACTION
1019	WD 1	37	No credit
	WD 1	48	No credit
1286	WS 1	31	No credit
	WS 1	34	No credit
1211	WS 1	2	No credit
	WS 1	9	No credit
	WS 1	16	No credit
1407	WS II	8	+4: right math work & answer, marked wrong
1434	WS II	3	No credit
1703	WS III	15	+4: right math work & answer, marked wrong
	WS III	17	No credit
1635	WS III	11	No credit
	WS III	20	No credit
	WS III	30	No credit
1712	WS III	20	No credit
1717	WS III	22	+4: right math work & answer, marked wrong
	WS III	37	No credit
	WS III	46	No credit
34	WC 1	7	+4: right math work & answer, marked wrong

207	WW 1	6	No credit
349	WW 1	26	No credit
	WW 1	28	No credit
	WW 1	29	No credit
	WW 1	48	No credit
	WW 1	49	No credit
361	WW 1	1	No credit
	WW 1	20	+4: right math work & answer, marked wrong - Passed
363	WW 1	1	No credit
	WW 1	5	No credit
	WW 1	22	No credit
429	WW II	33	No credit
524	WW III	40	No credit
542	WW III	scantron	No credit

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:15 p.m. on Thursday, February 19, 2004. (Chris Clark, motioned, Vui Chung seconded. Motion carried.)

Board Approved: March 11, 2004