

Minutes of the Advisory Board of Examiners for Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operators March 11, 2004

Present for the meeting on March 11th were: Robert Brown, chair; Debbie Metz, vice chair; Chris Clark, member; Dail Hollopeter, 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 8:35 AM. A motion was made by Chris Clark, seconded by Vui Chung, to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2004 meeting.

1. Class IV, Part I

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

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE
Kenneth W. Stoneman	Lake County	Water
Ron L. Wetzel	Ottawa County	Water

The Division of Drinking and Ground Waters and the Office of Legal services have recommended approval of all.

2. Class IV, Part II (new)

None

3. Class IV, Part II (resubmittals)

Name	Location	Type	Rec'd Date	Number copies
Alan J. Brailer	City of Amherst	WW	03/10/04	4

4. Class IV, Part II (action)

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Royce Beaverson	City of Bowling Green	Wastewater	Return for several sections.
David S. Brown (resubmittal)	City of Springfield	Wastewater	Return for several sections.
Keith B. Collins (resubmittal)	City of Mason	Wastewater	Return for several sections.

Charles Knott (resubmittal)	City of Cambridge	Water	Recommend approval.
John J. Nemet	Newton Falls	Wastewater	Return for several sections.
Doug Clark	City of Van Wert	Wastewater	Return for several sections.

A motion was made by Dail Hollopetter, seconded by Debbie Metz, to recommend that the Class IV, Part II examination of Charles Knott be approved. The Class IV, Part II examinations of Royce Beaverson, David S. Brown, Keith B. Collins, John J. Nemet, and Doug Clark will be returned for additional information in various sections. Motion carried.

5. Class IV, Part II (in review)

WASTEWATER

NAME, LOCATION	KL	CC	VC	RL	DH	DM	BB
Alan J. Brailer, City of Amherst (resubmittal)			**		**	**	**

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

6. OIT's

NAME	EXAM TYPE	ACTION
Iven L. Alexander	WD I	Recommend approval.
Gene A. Esbenshade	WW I	Needs additional time.
Paul E. McManis	WC I	Needs additional time.
David J. Paull	WW I	Recommend approval.
Ted M. Schumacher	WS I	Recommend approval.
William T. Simpkins	WS I	Recommend approval.
Robert Sosinski	WW I	Recommend approval.
Charles E. Williams	WW I	Recommend approval.
Charles E. Williams	WS I	Needs additional time.

A motion was made by Chris Clark, seconded by Richard Lorenz, to recommend approval of the OIT documentation and issue certificates to all of the above except Gene Esbenshade, Paul E. McManis, and Charles E. Williams who need additional time documentation. Motion carried.

7. "Need to Know" Criteria

Andrew Barienbrock gave an update.

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 Mr. Miller be contacted regarding another course he was taking “complex variables” because it seemed to be more relevant to the field.

The Board discussed the letter from Dennis Feichtner regarding Indiana contact hours versus Ohio contact hours. Mr. Feichtner will have to submit out of state training on Ohio’s Form G Post-Approval applications.

10. OpCert Database Update

Andrew Barienbrock gave an update.

11. Other Business

- The letter from Larry Twigg requesting an extension of time to document experience time for his Operator-in-Training application was accepted.
- The letter from Paul J. Solanics requesting an extension of time to complete his Class IV, Part II submittal was accepted. The Board recommended giving him the most current guidance document to use.
- The letter from Fern L. Bozman requesting that Wilford Gartin’s application fee be transferred to the November exam was presented to the Board. The Board indicated that this was not a Board function but it was their understanding that fees cannot be transferred or refunded.
- The Board went into Executive Session from 9:33am to 9:50am to discuss several enforcement issues and activities.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:44 p.m. on Thursday, March 11, 2004. (Debbie Metz, motioned, Kirk Leifheit seconded. Motion carried.)

Board Approved: April 15, 2004