

Minutes of the Advisory Board of Examiners for Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Certification October 19, 2006

Present for the meeting on October 19, 2006 were: Deborah Metz member and chair; Robert Brown, member; Dail Hollopeter, member; Richard Lorenz member; Kirk Leifheit, member; Dave Bornino, Certification Unit; Jim Simpson, Division of Surface Water, Andrew Barienbrock, Certification Unit; Jessica Dingman, Certification Unit.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:36 a.m. Dail Hollopeter made a motion, seconded by Kirk Leifheit, to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2006 meeting with minor revisions. Vui Chung abstained. Motion carried.

1) Class IV, Applications

The Board received notification that the Division of Drinking and Ground Waters has reviewed and recommended the following actions related to a Class IV applications:

WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Larry Colby	Ohio American Water Ashtabula	Water	DDAGW Recommends Approval
David K. Little	Ohio American Water Marion	Water	Hold until new rule in place.
Michael D. Dreger	City of Alliance	Water	Hold until new rule in place.
Richard Steinhebel	City of North Canton	Water	DDAGW Recommends Approval

2) Class IV, Examinations (in review)

WASTEWATER

NAME, LOCATION	KL	CC	VC	RL	DH	DM	RB
Larry Scanlon, Cincinnati MSD (resubmittal)		**	**		**		**
Billy Slaven, Clermont County		**	**		**		**

** Denotes who currently has package x Denotes who has reviewed package

3) Class IV, Examinations Actions

WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Wilhelm Ash	City of Bowling Green	Water	Recommended for approval
Martin Kielbasa	Mahoning Valley Sanitary District	Water	Recommended for approval
Jonathan King	Scioto County Regional Water	Water	Return for additional information

WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Anthony M. Branham	City of Fairborn	Wastewater	Return for additional information
Robert J. Burkhard	City of Barberton	Wastewater	Return for additional information
Frank D'Ambrosia	Village of Archbold	Wastewater	Return for additional information

Kirk Leifheit made a motion, seconded by Richard Lorenz that Wilhelm Ash and Martin Kielbasa be recommended for approval to receive their Class IV Water Supply certificates and that Class IV exams of Jonathon King, Anthony Branham, Robert Burkhard and Frank D'Ambrosia be returned for additional information. Motion carried.

NAME	EXAM TYPE	ACTION
Gary Davis	WS III	Recommended approval
Terry F. Gatten	WW II	Needs additional time
David Herrmann	WS II	Recommended approval
David Lekan	WW I	Recommended approval
Terence McReynolds	WW I	Recommended approval
Timothy Pitstick	WW I	Recommended approval
Phillip Quicksall	WD II	Recommended approval
Jack Shalosky	WW II	Recommended approval
Robert Shuman	WS I	Recommended approval
Robert Simmons	WS I	Recommended approval
Jamie Stammen	WW I	Recommended approval
Oscar Walters	WS III	Needs additional time
Gary Whetstone	WW I	Needs additional time

Robert Brown made a motion, seconded by Vui Chung, recommending that all of the above be issued certificates, except that Terry Gatten, Oscar Walters and Gary Whetstone be returned for additional time. Motion carried.

5) **Strategic Planning**

The Board discussed Class IV information drafted by Dail Hollopeter.

6) **Reciprocity**

Tammy R. Hatcher, Georgia (previously Ohio Certified)
 Dan Dautel, Texas (Class C)
 Robert Gambino – New Jersey (WW Class S4)
 Richard Powell – Kansas (WW2 & WS 2)

Robert Brown made a motion, seconded by Vui Chung, indicating that based on an opinion given by the Office of Legal Services, reciprocity be recommended for Tammy Hatcher in the field of wastewater treatment at the Class I level based on the previous certificate she held in Ohio and the fact that she has obtained a job.

A Water Supply certificate was also recommended at the Class III level provided her Georgia certificate remains valid and she documents a job in the field of Water Supply. The motion also recommended that Dan Dautel be granted

reciprocity as a Class I wastewater treatment operator, upon documenting employment in the State of Ohio. The motion also recommended return of Robert M. Gambino's application based on the fact that copies of a representative exam were not provided. Finally, the motion recommended return of Richard Powell's application based on the fact that his Kansas certificates have expired. Motion carried.

7) Enforcement

The Board moved into executive session to discuss enforcement issues.

8) Other Business

Andrew Barienbrock informed the Board that The Ohio State University had requested assistance with two more panels for developing job duty analyses on November 9th and 10th. Andy will be putting together panels of Class III water and wastewater operators.

An update on the proposed new rules was discussed along with the recent developments regarding meetings with Senator Neihaus and AOMWA, as well as meetings with personnel from the City of Cincinnati and Cleveland during the AWWA conference. Ohio EPA intends to have the proposed rules final filed with JCARR by November 9, 2006 in order to be included on the JCARR hearing agenda for November 20, 2006.

The Board discussed a question regarding how lime-kiln operation experience would be counted based on the proposed rules. The opinion of the Board was that it should count at the 25% rate that residuals treatment associated with a plant counts under the proposed rules.

The Board discussed OTCO correspondence courses and their use as experience credit. The Board has not reviewed the correspondence courses for experience credit, therefore no credit should be given until the courses are reviewed. Andy will speak to Curtis Truss about this and attempt to get these courses in for review as soon as possible.

8) Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:13 PM on Thursday, October 19, 2006. Robert Brown made a motion, seconded by Vui Chung. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held Thursday, November 16, 2006.

**Board Approved: November 16,
2006**