I. Roll Call

Members Present:
Brian Barrett
Jeff O. Estabrook, Vice-Chairman
Brian Feyerherm
David W. Miller, Chairman
Christopher P. Reed
Terry Salem
Amy Schaap

Others Present:
Jim Wonder, City of Omaha Planning Department
Mike Connor, Douglas County Health Department

Mr. Miller called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes from August 24, 2016

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the minutes from August 24, 2016. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

III. *Cases

16-8-119
Pilar Montilla – Bosch Thermotechnology Corp  REQUEST Approval of continuing education provider, instructor, class(es)
Technical Training (TT/SNA TR)
50 Wentworth Ave
 Londonderry NH 03053 49-218

Larry Rasmussen, Bosch Thermotechnology Corp. appeared before the Board requesting approval of continuing education provider, instructor and classes. Mr. Rasmussen explained the products and the concept of the plumbing classes regarding 2 four hour courses for tankless water heating (on demand hot water heat system) and modulating boiler systems. Barrett suggested that the two classes be a total of four hours. Mr. Wonder stated that the Planning Department recommends approval.

After a discussion regarding the amount of time for classes a motion was made by Mr. Estabrook to approve Bosch Thermotechnology Corp. as the provider for tankless and boiler systems. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0
Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Thomas Bowen, Chas Kerin and Lawrence Rasmussen as instructors for tankless water heating equipment/systems and boilers. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve two hours each of continuing education classes for tankless water heating equipment and boiler systems for a total of four hours. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

16-9-125
Ryan D Huseby
710 Terrace Ave
Bellevue NE 68005

REQUEST
Reinstatement of journeyman license

49-216

Ryan Huseby appeared before the Board to request the reinstatement of his journeyman license. Mr. Huseby stated he forgot to pay for his license and has paid the quad fee. Mr. Miller verified that Mr. Huseby has all continued education completed for 2015.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve the reinstatement of Ryan Huseby’s journeymen’s license. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

16-9-126
Jared Loftus
1842 Euclid St
Ashland NE 68003

REQUEST
Approval for testing out first year apprenticeship schooling

49-256

Bill Thomas, W. Thomas Plumbing and Jared Loftus appeared before the Board to request approval for testing out of the first year apprenticeship schooling. Mr. Thomas stated Mr. Loftus has worked for him, his son and another journeyman, Jeff Smith, for over four years primarily in Sarpy and Saunders County. Mr. Loftus has also worked with his father in the pumping and septic business. Mr. Thomas stated he would like to start Mr. Loftus out as a second year apprentice if he passes the test. Mr. Loftus is not a registered apprentice.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to deny testing out of first year apprenticeship schooling due to lack of schooling and proper experience. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0, request denied.
Brett Petersen did not appear before the Board. Mr. Wonder stated that Mr. Petersen has requested to have classes approved for the same identical classes as the previous year.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Brett Petersen to teach the same continued education classes as 2015. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Shawn Yoho did not appear before the Board. Mr. Wonder stated that Mr. Yoho has requested to teach the same continued education one hour class on pex piping.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Shawn Yoho for a continued education class for one hour on pex piping. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Frank Leopold did not appear before the Board. Mr. Wonder stated that Mr. Leopold has requested to teach the same continued education one hour class on pex piping.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Frank Leopold for a continued education class for one hour on pex piping and not to run concurrently with Shawn Yoho’s class. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Jeff Reichert did not appear before the Board. Mr. Wonder stated that Mr. Reichert has reopened a company and is very knowledgeable and well qualified to be an instructor. Mr. Riechert is requesting approval as an instructor and approval of a
continued education class for 2016 on water conditioning. Mr. Wonder stated that the Planning Department recommends approval of Mr. Reichert as an instructor and approval of a continued education class on water conditioning and water softeners for 2 hours.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Jeff Reichert as an instructor for continued education on water softening conditioning for the City of Omaha. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Jeff Reichert to teach a two hour class for water conditioning/water softeners for the City of Omaha. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

16-9-131
Scott Green
Central Sales Inc
4401 S 134 Street
Omaha NE 68137

REQUEST Approval of continuing education class for 2016
49-218

Scott Green, Central Sales Inc. appeared before the Board to request approval of continuing education class for 2016. Mr. Green stated that the seminar would be Polypropylene Random for Pressure Systems and the subject matter would be polypropylene random use in RO and DI water systems and installer certification. The brand name is Aquatherm. Mr. Green stated he is a master trainer and the class would be three hours to include practical and hands on training.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Scott Green to teach a three hour continued education class for journeymen and master plumbers. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

16-9-134
Cheryl DeSoe
16120 Emile Street
Omaha, NE 68136

REQUEST Waiver for unisex restroom
Location: 2949 North 204th Street
49-704

Cheryl DeSoe withdrew the waiver request for unisex restroom.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to file 16-9-134. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0
Justin Halbert appeared before the Board to request a waiver to use an existing mall restroom. Mr. Wonder stated that the applicant is requesting to add a small café/bar with light food and sandwiches by incorporating the fountain located inside the Regency Shopping Center/Mall. Mr. Wonder stated the waiver is to exclude restrooms within the bar and utilize the mall restrooms located approximately 200 feet from the bar. Mr. Wonder stated the Planning Department recommends approval of the waiver.

Motion by Mr. Reed to approve a waiver to use the existing mall restrooms. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

IV. *Apprenticeship Program Agreements

Bill Thomas appeared before the Board to request approval of an apprenticeship program. Mr. Thomas stated that he has not registered an apprentice for at least five years.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve an apprenticeship program for W. Thomas & Son Inc. for the City of Omaha. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

David Gerken, Gerken Plumbing and Drain appeared before the Board to request approval of an apprenticeship program.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve an apprenticeship program for Gerken Plumbing and Drain for the City of Omaha. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0
V. *Apprenticeship Agreements*

Jared Loftus  
1842 Euclid St  
Ashland NE 68003

W Thomas & Son Inc  
2020 Patton St Suite B  
Gretna NE 68028

Bill Thomas, W. Thomas & Son Inc. appeared before the Board representing Jared Loftus.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Jared Loftus for Omaha’s apprentice program for a start date of 9-14-15. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Benjamin T Hawk  
14459 Grant St  
Omaha NE 68116

Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover Street  
Omaha NE 68144

Benjamin T. Hawk appeared before the Board.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Benjamin Hawk for Omaha’s apprentice program for a start date of 6-20-16. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Erik J Pane  
1314 S 48 St  
Omaha NE 68106

Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover Street  
Omaha NE 68144

Erik J. Pane appeared before the Board.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Erik J. Pane for Omaha’s apprentice program for a start date of 6-27-16. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

James M Shinkle  
3061 S 73 St  
Omaha NE 68124

Dave Janke Plumbing Inc  
15013 Grover Street  
Omaha NE 68144

James M. Shinkle appeared before the Board.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve James M. Shinkle for Omaha’s apprentice program for a start date of 6-27-16. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0
David J. Gerken appeared before the Board.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve David J. Gerken for Omaha’s apprentice program for a start date of 8-15-16. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Connor M. McClellan appeared before the Board.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Connor M. McClellan for Omaha’s apprentice program for a start date of 6-1-16. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Andrew M. Logan appeared before the Board.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Andrew M. Logan for Omaha’s apprentice program for a start date of 8-26-16. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

Michael Dragon appeared before the Board.

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Michael Dragon for Omaha’s apprentice program for a start date of 6-28-16 subject to submittal of a ratio sheet and documentation of pay stubs from Thermal Services. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0
VI. Apprenticeship Renewals

Joshua Cox   Metro Community College  Micro Plumbing, Inc.
Justin K. Howell   Metro Community College  Paragon Plumbing

Motion by Mr. Estabrook to approve Joshua Cox and Justin Howell for apprenticeship renewal. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

VII. Discussion

Mr. Wonder stated that the Board approved Patrick Caniglia to test out of his first year and scored a 77%.

Mr. Reed made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the plumbing test. Second by Ms. Schaap.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

VIII. Adjournment

Mr. Estabrook made a motion to come out of Executive Session and adjourn at 3:00 p.m. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Barrett, Estabrook, Feyerherm, Miller, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 7-0

*AAPPLICANT MUST BE PRESENT AT MEETING.*

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