



Minutes

Cement (Concrete) Finisher Trade Board Meeting

October 22, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.
Ontario College of Trades
655 Bay Street, Suite 600
Toronto, ON, M5G 2K4

Trade Board Members in Attendance

Geoff Kinney, Chair*
Tony Mollica, Vice-Chair*
James Woods*

Trade Board Members not in Attendance

Alexander Aranibar

Resource Persons/Guests in Attendance

None

Staff in Attendance

Joseph Pyringer, Program Coordinator

* Attended via teleconference

1. Call to Order/Welcome

The Chair called the meeting to order and welcomed Trade Board members of the Cement (Concrete) Finisher Trade Board.

2. Approval of Agenda

ON A MOTION MADE BY T. Mollica, SECONDED BY J. Woods AND CARRIED, the agenda was approved as circulated.

3. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. Discussion on Concrete (Cement) Finisher Trade Joining the Red Seal Program

The Trade Board discussed joining the Red Seal program of Concrete Finisher. Staff confirmed that the Red Seal Concrete Finisher program is currently active in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince

Edward Island, New Brunswick, Quebec, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia. Staff also noted that, by participating in the Red Seal program, additional tax incentives would be available to both Apprentices and Employers, and provided the Trade Board with additional tax incentive information by e-mail. Staff also discussed the process for a province to join an existing Red Seal trade, and advised that there would be one national exam based on the National Occupational Analysis, but that each province maintains separate Training and Curriculum Standards. The Trade Board also discussed that the mobility of workers, both travelling into and out of the province, would ensure better recognition of competencies. It was also agreed that having national recognition in this trade would be good for the industry.

5. Vote to Join the Concrete Finisher Red Seal Program

The Trade Board decided not to hold a vote at this time, even though all Trade Board members in attendance believed that moving forward with joining the national Concrete Finisher Red Seal program may be in the best interest of industry, and recommends that further and more extensive consultation with industry is necessary before moving forward. The Trade Board agreed to reconvene by tele-conference in approximately two weeks, and utilize this time to consult with industry to develop a more thorough recommendation. Chair requested that staff forward any further information on the Red Seal program that may be helpful for industry to make a decision.

6. Program Update

6.1 Trade Statistics

Staff presented the Trade Board with the trade statistics for the months of August and September 2014.

6.2 Deemed Apprentices

The Trade Board discussed the situation with deemed Apprentices and corresponding suspended Registered Training Agreements (RTAs), and noted that the College has sent information letters to sponsors on pending suspensions, which are helpful.

7. Industry Update

A Trade Board member gave an update on a request to the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (MTCU) for approval of a proposed Training Delivery Agent. He advised that no further decision has been made since the Trade Board last met.

8. Next Scheduled Meeting

The Chair confirmed that the next meeting of the Trade Board is scheduled for November 10, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. by teleconference.

9. Adjournment

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY G. Kinney, SECONDED BY T. Mollica AND CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned.

“Joseph Pyringer”
Joseph Pyringer, Recording Officer

“Geoff Kinney”
Geoff Kinney, Chair

October 27, 2014
Date

March 20, 2015
Date