



Minutes

Construction Boilermaker Trade Board Meeting

September 8, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.
Ontario College of Trades
655 Bay Street, 6th Floor, Room 602
Toronto, ON, M5G 2K4

Trade Board Members in Attendance

Blair Allin, Chair

David Galvin, Vice-Chair

Brian Bond

David Lewis*

Scot McMahon

Wayne Power

Trade Board Members not in Attendance

None

Resource Persons/Guests in Attendance

None

Staff in Attendance

Leah Tussman, Program Coordinator**

Royden Trainor, Director, Policy and Programs

*Attended by teleconference

**Recording Officer

1. Call to Order/Welcome

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

ON A MOTION MADE BY D. GALVIN, SECONDED BY S. MCMAHON AND CARRIED, the agenda was approved as circulated.

3. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. Previous Minutes

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY D. GALVIN, SECONDED BY B. BOND AND CARRIED, the draft minutes of the Trade Board's June 9, 2014 meeting were approved as tabled.

5. Update on Trade Board Resolutions & Issues

The Program Coordinator shared the action items and recommendations chart with the Trade Board. The Program Coordinator advised that she had included the Apprenticeship Training Standard for Construction Boilermaker on the agenda for the Trade Board meeting. The Trade Board asked the Program Coordinator to update the action items and recommendations chart to reflect that the January 21, 2014 recommendation is now closed.

6. College of Trades Update

6.1 Member Services

The Program Coordinator informed the Trade Board that in March 2014, the College informed those in the Journeyperson Candidates class set to expire on April 8, 2014 and shortly thereafter that they would be offered a one-time extension until July 4, 2014 to write and pass their Certificate of Qualification (C of Q) exam. All those who have not yet passed their C of Q exam and moved into the Journeypersons class will have their status in the Journeypersons Candidates class marked as expired. The College has reached out to these individuals via letter, email and automated voice message to remind them of the requirement to write and pass their C of Q exam by the deadline.

As well, the Program Coordinator shared a letter from the College that will be sent to all 'deemed' apprentices. It will inform them that they will have until September 19, 2014 to renew their membership with the College or it will expire and their Registered Training Agreement (RTA) with the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (MTCU) and employer/sponsor will be suspended. If the apprentice's RTA is cancelled, a new agreement will have to be signed with MTCU and the employer/sponsor and the apprentice's College membership will need to be reinstated and a reinstatement fee will be charged. She explained that the College has reached out to these individuals through various reminder letters.

Finally, the Program Coordinator showed the Trade Board the Member Benefits tab on the College's website and described new additions to the College's affinity program.

6.2 Trade Classification Reviews

R. Trainor updated the Trade Board on the status of trade classification reviews currently in the queue.

The Program Coordinator then advised that the Board of Governors has approved the development of a regulation that, if passed, would allow for a two-year implementation for the reclassification of the Sprinkler and Fire Protection Installer trade from voluntary to compulsory membership in the College. It has also approved a 'grandparenting' provision — an exemption from the C of Q exam for the trade will be available to qualified candidates during the first year of the two-year implementation period. The exam exemption would apply to individuals who are engaging in the work of the Sprinkler and Fire Protection Installer trade who do not have a C of Q in the trade, but who have a Certificate of Apprenticeship (C of A) in the trade or who have qualifications and experience that are equivalent to a C of A in the trade.

The Trade Board members discussed the Trade Equivalency Assessment (TEA) process and invited John O'Rourke, Manager of Evaluations and Assessments at the College, to attend the next Trade Board meeting.

6.3 Communications Update

The Program Coordinator distributed the Summer 2014 edition of "Trades Today" to the Trade Board. She advised that the College's new apprenticeship brochure and youth microsite will be coming out this fall. The new brochure will provide easy to follow guidance on exploring careers in the skilled trades. The youth microsite will focus on those exploring careers in the skilled trades, not for those who have already registered as apprentices, and will be both a tool for youth as well as the service providers who serve youth. Frequently Asked Questions have been specifically drafted to respond to youth-specific issues.

The Program Coordinator also distributed a handout detailing grants and incentives for apprentices and employers.

6.4 Enforcement Update

The Program Coordinator shared enforcement statistics from May 2013 to the end of June 2014. The Program Coordinator then showed the Trade Board the latest Public Advisories on the College's website. The Public Advisories provide information on violations of the *Ontario College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2009*.

7. Program Update

7.1 Apprenticeship Trade Statistics

The Program Coordinator provided College membership statistics for the Construction Boilermaker trade as of August 28, 2014. She also provided apprenticeship statistics for the trade for the first quarter of 2014-2015 from MTCU. The Trade Board inquired as to whether it is possible to receive more refined statistics.

7.2 Update on Construction Divisional Board Meetings

The Program Coordinator shared the draft minutes of the May 13, 2014 and May 26, 2014 Construction Divisional Board meetings with the Trade Board members.

7.3 Discussion on Biomass

A discussion took place with respect to the relationship between biomass and the Construction Boilermaker trade.

7.4 Construction Boilermaker Apprenticeship Training Standard

The Trade Board discussed the current Construction Boilermaker Apprenticeship Training Standard (ATS) that was last updated in 2004. The Trade Board agreed that the document should be updated to reflect the latest changes to the National Occupational Analysis (NOA) for Boilermaker. The Program Coordinator agreed to forward a copy of the ATS and the NOA and the Trade Board members agreed to provide feedback on the ATS by the end of the year.

8. Next Scheduled Meeting/Event

The Chair confirmed that the next meeting of the Trade Board is scheduled for January 28, 2015.

9. Adjournment

ON A MOTION DULY MADE BY D. LEWIS, SECONDED BY W. POWER AND CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned.

"Blair Allin"

Blair Allin, Chair

January 28, 2015

Date