



Minutes

General Carpenter

Trade Board Meeting

February 20, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.
Ontario College of Trades
655 Bay Street, 6th Floor, Room 601
Toronto, ON, M5G 2K4

Trade Board Members in Attendance

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| Paul Lafleshe, Chair | Tom Cardinal |
| Del Boudreau, Vice-Chair | Tim Henhoeffler |
| Matt Baker* | Martin Templeman |
| Steve Barkhouse | Jason Yull |

Trade Board Members not in Attendance

None

Resource Persons/Guests in Attendance

None

Staff in Attendance

Risa Abella, Program Coordinator
Jason Bennett, Manager, Corporate Governance
Craig McCarten, Program Coordinator

*Attended by teleconference

1. Call to Order/Welcome

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

It was suggested that *Review of Template for Deemed Apprentices* be added to the agenda. **ON A MOTION, SECONDED AND CARRIED**, the agenda was approved as circulated, subject to the above-noted change.

3. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared. However, clarification was sought as to what is meant by a 'conflict of interest'. C. McCarten referred the members to section 10 of the College's General By-law.

4. Previous Minutes

ON A MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND CARRIED, the draft minutes of the Trade Board's October 10, 2013 meeting were approved as tabled.

5. Update on Trade Board Resolutions & Issues

The Program Coordinators advised that the Construction Divisional Board has not met since the Trade Board's last meeting. The Program Coordinators advised that the lifetime Certificate of Qualification issue is still ongoing.

6. College of Trades Update

6.1 Registrar's Report

The Program Coordinators confirmed that Trade Board members had received the Report. Topics covered were: human resources, project planning and key deliverables, communications and marketing, compliance and enforcement, on-going issues under discussion, trade board updates, standards department update and membership update (provided with other trade statistics).

6.2 Standards Department Update & Statistics

Curriculum Standard: Update – The General Carpenter Trade Board has nominated a working group to draft a new curriculum. The net result was to increase practical hours for training and reduce theory. Concerns were raised as to implementation as it could drive up costs (i.e. electricity costs, space concern). The working group will meet to review options very soon. It was agreed that it is in the best interest of apprentices to update the curriculum.

The Program Coordinators will be attending the Curriculum Delivery Advisory Committee meeting in March 2014.

A discussion of the trade statistics provided by the Program Coordinators took place – including Red Seal average pass rates, College of Trades memberships, and apprenticeship quarterly statistics (provided by Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities). J. Yull provided an update on the most recent Carpenter Red Seal Item Bank held in Ottawa February 3-7, 2014. D. Boudreau provided an update on the Carpenter Interprovincial Guide (National Curriculum) workshop he attended in Ottawa January 6-10, 2014.

6.3 Scopes of Practice Framework Project

The Trade Board was advised that the project has been suspended. Trade Board members requested the rationale as to why the Scopes of Practice Framework Project was paused. It was suggested that if the project resumes, the Trade Board would like a seat on the working group.

7. New Business

7.1 Trade Classification Review for General Carpenter

The Trade Board reviewed a presentation regarding *Considerations for Trade Boards Requesting a Classification Review*.

J. Bennett joined the meeting.

Prior to voting on the motion, the Trade Board discussed the College’s policy and process for members who attend a Trade Board meeting by phone and guidance was provided by J. Bennett.

J. Bennett left the meeting.

M. Baker joined the meeting via teleconference.

Be it resolved that: WHEREAS Ontario Regulation 458/11 states that a Trade Board for a trade shall notify the Divisional Board for the sector to which the trade belongs of its intention to make the request to the Board of Governors to initiate a review in determining whether a compulsory trade should be reclassified as a voluntary trade (or whether a voluntary trade should be reclassified as a compulsory trade).

BE IT RESOLVED that the General Carpenter Trade Board submit a notification to the Construction Divisional Board regarding the intention of the Trade Board to request the Board of Governors to initiate a trade classification review for the trade of General Carpenter.

| In Favour: | Opposed: | Abstained: |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| D. Boudreau | M. Templeman | P. Lafleshe |
| J. Yull | S. Barkhouse | |
| T. Cardinal | T. Henhoeffler | |
| M. Baker | | |

M. Baker signed off from the teleconference.

8. Construction Millwright Trade Classification Review

The Program Coordinators provided an overview of the process and timing of the Construction Millwright Trade Classification Review, noting that the General Carpenter Trade Board can support, oppose or remain silent on the matter.

ON A MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED AND CARRIED the Trade Board passed a resolution supporting the Construction Millwright Trade Classification Review in light of the fact that there is no appearance of overlap between the scopes of practice of Construction Millwright and General Carpenter, and for the benefit of public and worker safety and the security of having trained and qualified workers performing the work of construction millwrights.

| In Favour: | Opposed: | Abstained: |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| D. Boudreau | n/a | M. Templeman |
| J. Yull | | S. Barkhouse |
| T. Cardinal | | P. Lafleshe |
| T. Henhoeffler | | |

In response to a request, the Program Coordinators agreed to obtain clarification of the College’s policy on overlapping skill sets.

9. Harmonization Project

The Program Coordinators advised that the purpose of the project is to (i) Harmonize apprenticeship programs across Canada; (ii) to improve the mobility of apprentices; (iii) to implement the Agreement on Internal Trade. A discussion followed with respect to how harmonization increases mobility; the Atlantic Harmonization Project's success with 10 trade pilots; increases to federal funding to those provinces that will harmonize in certain identified trades; and Mobile Crane and Carpentry trades being chosen for Phase 1 pilot projects in the rest of Canada. It was noted that Quebec is an observer to the project. The Program Coordinators provided the Trade Board with a copy of a presentation on harmonization.

10. Item Added: Review of template re: renewal of deemed apprentices for April 8, 2014

A discussion took place with respect to completing the renewal application. The Program Coordinators provided clarification on the process and requirements.

11. Wrap-Up

Upcoming Events:

Skills competition – London, Ontario – June 12 and 13, 2014

National – August 2014 – Ripley's Aquarium in Toronto (Waterfront) – August 21 and 22, 2014

Skills Canada competition – Ottawa – June 2014

12. Next Scheduled Meeting/Event

The Chair confirmed that the next meetings of the Trade Board will take place in April/May, 2014 and again in September/October, 2014.

13. Adjournment

ON A MOTION MADE, SECONDED AND CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

“Paul Lafleshe”

Paul Lafleshe, Chair

August 7, 2014

Date