



# Minutes Ironworker Trade Board Meeting

September 13, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.  
UNIFOR Local 1106 Boardroom  
600 Wabanaki Drive  
Kitchener, ON, N2C 2K4

#### Trade Board Members in Attendance

Dave Knight, Chair  
Keith Fergus, Vice-Chair  
Michael McCarthy  
Clemente Pitoscia

#### Trade Board Members not in Attendance

Jack Mesley

#### Resource Persons/Guests in Attendance

None

#### Staff in Attendance

Franca Silvaggio, Program Coordinator, Standards<sup>i</sup>

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#### 1. Call to Order/Welcome

The Chair called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. He advised that J. Mesley sent his regrets and would not be in attendance at the meeting. It was also noted that there is still an employee vacancy on this Trade Board.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

**ON A MOTION MADE BY K. Fergus, SECONDED BY M. McCarthy AND CARRIED**, the Ironworker Trade Board agenda was approved as circulated.

#### 3. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

#### 4. Previous Minutes

An error was noted in section 9 of the previous minutes. **ON A MOTION MADE BY C. Pitoscia, SECONDED BY M. McCarthy AND CARRIED**, the draft minutes of the Ironworker Trade Board's April 25, 2016 meeting were approved as tabled subject to aforementioned changes.

## 5. College of Trades Update

### 6.1 Registrar’s Report – Executive Summary (Q2)

The Trade Board reviewed the Executive Summary of the Q2-2016 Registrar’s Report. The Program Coordinator highlighted some key areas, including:

- Communications & Marketing division’s on-going goal to increase public awareness through media engagement and the Trades Today magazine (Program Coordinator shared copies of the Trades Today summer 2016 edition)
- As of the end of the second quarter of 2016, there were 232,021 College members (i.e. all membership classes) in good standing in both compulsory and voluntary trades
- Large-scale new residential and ICI construction blitzes conducted by Enforcement Officers in May and June 2016
- Policy, Programs and Evaluations deliverables including new and revised products
- Trade Equivalency Assessment (TEA) data for the second quarter (1,417 applications received)

The Trade Board also reviewed the Operations Report of the Q2-2016 Registrar’s Report. The Program Coordinator highlighted some key areas, including:

- Q2 Compliance & Enforcement data in the Construction sector (ICI and residential), on field visits (1980), unauthorized workers (456), tickets (100) and prosecutions (10)
- Number of Trade Board meetings and Training Standards produced in the Construction sector in Q2

The Trade Board requested a quick overview of the ‘Hire With Confidence’ website. The Program Coordinator accessed the website ([www.HireWithConfidence.ca](http://www.HireWithConfidence.ca)) and demonstrated how it works for both employers and those seeking apprentices or skilled trades jobs. The Trade Board also requested information on the Member Benefits Programs, which was provided.

## 6. Program Update

### 6.1 Apprenticeship Trade Statistics

The Program Coordinator provided statistics and data for the Ironworker-Generalist and Ironworker-Structural/Ornamental trades.

IRONWORKER STATS (as of Sept. 1, 2016)		
Trade_Code	420A	420B
Trade_Name	Ironworker - Structural and Ornamental	Ironworker - Generalist
Sector	Construction	Construction
Red_Seal	R	R
TradeTotal	705	2
Apprentices	522	0
Candidate_JPs	16	0
Journeypersons	163	1
Tradespersons	4	1
Provisional_Certs	-	-

### 6.2 Exam Attempts

The Program Coordinator provided a verbal update on the Apprentice/Challenger exam pass/fail statistics for the Ironworker-Generalist and Ironworker-Structural/Ornamental trades.

### **6.3 Fact Sheets**

The Program Coordinator reminded the Trade Board that the Fact Sheet for Ironworker-Structural and Ornamental is yet to be completed. A few samples available on the College website were displayed. The Trade Board worked on this during the meeting and completed it. The Program Coordinator will provide the final copy via email for final comments.

### **6.4 Construction Divisional Board Meeting Minutes**

The Program Coordinator shared the minutes of the Construction Divisional Board meetings held April 26, 2016 and June 21, 2016. The Trade Board reviewed the documents.

## **7. Surveys on new Construction Apprenticeship Training Standards**

The Trade Board dedicated the majority of this meeting to reviewing draft Apprenticeship Training Standards for the following trades:

- Sheet Metal Worker
- Roofer
- Floor Covering Installer
- Powerline Technician

## **8. Other Business**

The Trade Board discussed issues impacting its trades and the industry generally, including work capacity and construction projects currently under way.

In the interest of the newer members on this Trade Board, the Program Coordinator was asked to provide a quick summary of the contents of the Dean Report, specifically on the issues of Scopes of Practice and the Trade Classification Review process. The Trade Board was reminded that the Dean Report recommended that all trades that made applications prior to Mr. Dean's review will maintain their place in the queue to apply for compulsory status under the new process.

The Trade Board also discussed the on-going Red Seal Harmonization Project. The three Ironworker Trades were part of Phase 1 of this project. The Program Coordinator displayed the presentation deck prepared by the Harmonization Taskforce which compared the Ironworker trades in all participating jurisdictions with respect to the name of the trade, total hours for an apprenticeship, sequencing of classroom curriculum, and number of hours per term of an apprenticeship. It was noted again that Ontario made the decision not to participate in harmonization at this time.

## **9. Next Scheduled Meeting/Event**

The next meeting of the Ironworker Trade Board is scheduled for the January 17, 2017.

## **10. Adjournment**

**ON A MOTION MADE BY K. Fergus, SECONDED BY C. Pitoscia AND CARRIED**, the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

"Dave Knight"

Dave Knight, Chair

February 23, 2017

Date