



# Minutes

## Network Cabling Specialist Trade Board Meeting

February 17, 2015 at 9:00 a.m.  
IBEW Construction Council of Ontario  
61 International Blvd  
Etobicoke, ON, M9W 6K4

### Trade Board Members in Attendance

John Hogan, Chair  
Peter Olders, Vice-Chair  
Derek Andreoff  
James Stewart

### Trade Board Members not in Attendance

None

### Resource Persons/Guests in Attendance

None

### Staff in Attendance

Joseph Pyringer, Program Coordinator<sup>1</sup>

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#### 1. Call to Order/Welcome

Staff called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and welcomed the Trade Board.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

**ON A MOTION MADE BY P. Olders, SECONDED BY D. Andreoff AND CARRIED**, the agenda was approved as circulated.

#### 3. Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

#### 4. Vote for Chair and Vice-Chair

J. Hogan was elected Chair and P. Olders was elected Vice-Chair of the Trade Board.

#### 5. Ontario College of Trades Introduction

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<sup>1</sup> Recording Officer.

Staff reviewed the Trade Board Orientation Manual and an Ontario College of Trades orientation presentation.

## 6. College of Trades Update

### 6.1 Financial Resource List

Staff provided an updated financial resource list in electronic format.

### 6.2 Exam Preparation Guide

Staff provided the latest Exam Preparation Guide information and advised that an updated version will be released on the College website in the coming weeks.

### 6.3 Academic Entry Requirements

Staff advised that the public consultation on Academic Entry Requirements will take place in coming months, pending completion of the Dean Review.

### 6.4 Voluntary Trade Credential Replacement

Staff provided an overview of the process for obtaining a voluntary trade credential replacement if it is lost or misplaced.

### 6.5 Marketing Update

Staff provided information about a new College marketing ad with the tagline “Apprentices provide a competitive advantage for business”. Staff also announced that the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities has won the Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC)/Deloitte Public Sector Leadership Gold Award for the establishment of the Ontario College of Trades.

## 7. Program Update

### 7.1 Trade Statistics

Staff briefed the Trade Board on statistics for the Network Cabling Specialist trade as of February 1, 2015.

### 7.2 Service Divisional Board Meeting

Staff provided information on the November 14, 2014 Service Divisional Board meeting.

## 8. Industry Update

### 8.1 Reallocation of the NCS Trade Board from the Service Sector to the Construction Sector

The Trade Board discussed the pros and cons of re-assigning Network Cabling Specialist to the Construction Sector in regulation. **ON A MOTION MADE BY J. Stewart, SECONDED BY D. Andreoff AND CARRIED**, the Trade Board recommends that the trade of Network Cabling Specialist (NCS) be moved from the Service Sector to the Construction Sector in light of the fact that the majority of the scope of work of the trade falls under Construction Specification Canada, Division 27, and most of the work is carried out within the Construction Sector environment. The Trade Board noted that the NCS trade has matured to the extent that most of its work is now carried out in the Construction Sector rather than the Service Sector.

### 8.2 Revisions/Corrections to the Training Standard

The Trade Board suggested some changes to the Training Standard for the NCS trade. Staff will enquire if the updates can be implemented before the next review, however staff noted that revisions may not be possible at this time.

## **9. Other Business**

### **9.1 Fact Sheet Review**

Trade Board will make suggestions on the promotional Fact Sheet for the NCS trade.

### **9.2 Dean Review**

The Tony Dean review was discussed, and the Trade Board is considering making a submission. The Trade Board would like to solicit feedback from stakeholders for any suggestions that industry would like to include in the Trade Board's submission.

**9.3** The Trade Board suggested having its own webpage in order to communicate trade information with Apprentices and Journeypersons in the trade. Staff suggested that general information about the NCS trade could be posted to the new [www.earnwhileyoulearn.ca](http://www.earnwhileyoulearn.ca) website.

**9.4** The Trade Board noted that ceiling tile light panels emitting diode (LED) with dimmers and occupancy sensors connected to networks are becoming more popular.

## **10. Next Scheduled Meeting**

The Chair confirmed that the next meeting of the Trade Board is scheduled for June 12, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

## **11. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned.

"John Hogan"

John Hogan, Chair

June 12, 2015

Date