

# Minutes of the Advisory Board of Examiners for Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Certification April 20, 2006

Present for the meeting on April 20, 2006 were: Kirk Leifheit, member; Dail Hollopeter, member; Robert Brown, member; Debbie Metz member and chair; Richard Lorenz ; Dave Bornino, Ohio EPA Certification Unit, Andrew Barienbrock, Certification Unit; Susan Parkins, Certification Unit; and Jessica Dingman, Certification Unit. Chris Clark arrived at 9:53 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:42 a.m. Robert Brown made a motion, seconded by Dail Hollopeter, to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2006 meeting. Motion carried.

Andrew Barienbrock introduced Jessica Dingman as the newest member of the Operator Certification Unit.

## 1) Class IV, Applications

The Board received notification that the Division of Drinking and Ground Waters and the Division of Surface Water have reviewed and recommended the following actions related to a Class IV applications:

### WATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Scott Bates	Clermont Co	Water	DDAGW Recommends for Approval

### WASTEWATER

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
James R. Johnson	City of Fremont	Wastewater	DSW Recommends Approval
Douglas L. Wise	City of Columbus Jackson Pike	Wastewater	DSW Recommends Approval

2) Class IV, Examinations (in review)

**WATER**

NAME, LOCATION	KL	CC	VC	RL	DH	DM	RB
Flahiff, Joseph, City of Fremont	**		**	**	**		

**WASTEWATER**

NAME, LOCATION	KL	CC	VC	RL	DH	DM	RB
Branham, Anthony M, City of Fairborn		**		**	**		**
Beaverson, Royce, City of Bowling Green	**	**			**		**
Bennington, Phillip, City of Dayton – resubmittal		**	MAILED		**		**
Hanes, Tom, Madison WWTP resubmittal	**	**			**		**
Heilman, Mike, City of Kenton resubmittal		**	MAILED		**		**
Ulrich, Tony, City of Massillon		**	**		**		**
Wagner, Barbara, Cincinnati resubmittal		**	**		**		**

\*\* Denotes who currently has package x Denotes who has reviewed package

3) Class IV, Examinations Actions

**WATER**

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Wilhelm L. Ash,	Bowling Green	Water	Return for additional information
William Bowers	City of Cleveland	Water	Return for additional information

**WASTEWATER**

NAME	EMPLOYER	TYPE	ACTION
Robert J. Burkhard	City of Barberton	WW	Return for additional information
Richard C. Felton	Delaware Co	WW	Recommended approval
T. Gregory Hildebrand	City of Hamilton	WW	Recommended for approval

Kirk Leifheit made a motion seconded by Richard Lorenz that Richard C. Felton and T. Gregory Hildebrand be approved to receive their Wastewater Class IV certificates; that additional information be requested from Wilhelm Ash, William Bowers and Robert Burkhard. Motion carried.

#### 4) OIT - Actions

NAME	EXAM TYPE	ACTION
Beckwith, Patrick	WW 1	Recommended approval
Brandau Jr, Karl	WW 3	Recommended approval Not to be mailed until we receive documents w/original signatures
Frey, Thomas	WW 1	Recommended approval
Gandolf, Marty	WC 2	Recommended approval
Hothem, Seth	WW 1	Recommended approval
Joyce, Jason	WC 1	Recommended approval
Keith, Arthur	WW 2	Recommended approval
Lloyd, Eric	WW 1	Recommended approval
Sommer, Kevin	WW 3	Recommended approval
Starr, Brian	WS 3	Recommended approval

Dail Hollopeter made a motion, seconded by Robert Brown, recommending that the above operators be issued certificates and a recommendation that Karl Brandau's certificate be issued upon receipt of documents with original signatures. Motion carried.

#### 5) Strategic Planning

Class IV exam discussions were continued.

#### 6) Other Business

Dail Hollopeter made a motion seconded by Richard Lorenz that Hobart Wells, be granted a seven month extension to submit his Wastewater Treatment Class IV examination. Motion carried.

An update on the Class A RFP was provided. The request for proposals had been posted on the DAS Website with bids due April 26, 2006.

The Board discussed exam accommodations, exams with larger font, audio exams, etc. and determined that additional information is needed pertaining to an operator's disability or learning difficulty before a decision can be made determining the administration of an audio exam.

OTCO will be attending the May 11, 2006 meeting.

A discussion was held on a course application entitled "Demolition". The Board recommended that the application be returned.

It was reported that the Draft Responsiveness Summary for the new rules is expected to be completed by the end of May, 2006.

**8) Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:05 p.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2006. Chris Clark motioned, Robert Brown seconded. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held Thursday, May 11, 2006.

**Board Approved: May 11, 2006**