

Board of Certification Meeting Minutes, March 24, 2021

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Chairman, Dr. Ricardo de Abreu. A roll call was taken by Suzanne Bordelon. Danny Hylton, Jason Creel, Donovan Driskill, Ricardo de Abreu, David Green, Connie Henry, Bubba Wynn and Wes Wyche were present on the call. Mia Townsel was not present on today's call.

First item on the agenda was review of applications. Dennis K Gibson, C & D, Level A, Vernon Parish C & D, approved. Mr. Gibson has held a conditional for 3 years and is now applying for a regular Level A certificate. Motion made by Connie Henry, seconded by Bubba Wynn. Motion Passed. Richard J LeBouf, Landfill, Level A, St. Landry Parish SW. He has held a conditional for 2 years and will have 3 years of experience in June, 2021. His application was approved with the stipulation that his certificate will not be issued until June 18, 2021. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn, seconded by David Green. Motion passed. Donnie R Monroe, Transfer Station, Level B, LaSalle Transfer Station. Motion made to approve by Connie Henry, seconded by Donovan Driskill. Motion passed. Tyrone Murphy, Landfill, Level B, St. Landry Parish SW. Was issued a conditional in April, 2020. He will have 2 years of landfill experience in June, 2021. A motion was made to approve with stipulation to issue in June, 2021, by David Green, seconded by Bubba Wynn. Motion passed. Kyle Plouhar, Incinerator, Level B, Medical Waste Management. There was discussion regarding this application. Mark Grillo with Medical Waste Management was on the call to answer questions. Mark explained that the company had recently lost employees Erik Embroli & William Weber. Bubba Wynn asked about other operators to which Mark Grillo replied that he & Jared Patterson are currently the Level A operators. A vote was taken and due to Kyle Plouhar's lack of solid waste experience, his application was denied. A motion was made by Bubba and seconded by Jason Creel. Michelle R Prelow, Landfill, Level A, Woolworth Road Landfill. A motion was made by Donovan Driskill to approve and seconded by Connie Henry. Barry L Ross, Incinerator, Level A, Medical Waste Management. Passed the exam on January 19, 2021. A motion was made to approve his application by Bubba Wynn and seconded by Connie Henry. Peggy Ross, Landfill, Level A, St. Landry Parish SW. She has had a conditional since October, 2019 and will have 2 years of experience on April 29, 2021. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn to approve and seconded by Danny Hylton.

Next item on the agenda was review of applications for conditional certification. Shelbi S Schnebelen, Landfarm, Level B, Clean Harbors Environmental. She is replacing regular certified operator Lisa Jo Ourso. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn to approve and seconded by David Green. Motion passed.

Dwight Doucet, was requesting conditional Incinerator certification. There was discussion regarding lack of experience and the fact that he was not replacing another operator. His application was denied. A motion was made by David Green requesting that he submit more information and seconded by Jason Creel. Motion passed.

A request for certification by Reciprocity was reviewed for Joey D Tedder, Landfill, Level A, Waste Connections. He currently has a MSW license in Texas. A motion was made to approve by David Greene and seconded by Bubba Wynn. Motion passed.

Extensions to conditionals for Richard J LeBouef and Tyrone J Murphy were approved. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn and seconded by Connie Henry. Motion passed.

Suzanne Bordelon requested that the Board make a motion to issue certificates to those operators whose applications have been approved and passed the test and those who will test before the next board meeting and pass. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn and seconded by Donovan Driskill. Motion passed.

The list of complete re-certifications were approved (list attached). A motion was made by Connie Henry and seconded by Donovan Driskill. Motion passed.

Incomplete re-certifications were discussed. David Mason & Jeffrey Stallion both needed 10 additional hours. Because the Board had extended all operators certificates for 1 additional year, a motion was made to issue these re-certifications, allowing them the additional time to complete their CEUs. Motion made by Connie Henry, seconded by Danny Hylton. Motion passed.

Marques Williams' re-certification was reviewed. He was short 20 hours. His application was tabled until the next meeting to allow him opportunity to find the missing certificates he needed. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn and seconded by Danny Hylton. Motion passed.

Christopher Blake Vincent's application was reviewed. He was requesting approval of hours from an air and waste conference and re-certification. The Board did not feel that the conference was sufficient training and tabled his application. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn and seconded by David Green. Motion passed.

Ashly Whitney also requested approval of CEUs. His request was approved. A motion was made by Bubba Wynn and seconded by Connie Henry. Motion passed.

There were no public comments or other business and the meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm

Meeting minutes by Suzanne Bordelon, DEQ