### BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS REGULATORY WORKGROUP MINUTES

The Board for Contractors Regulatory Workgroup met on Monday, March 13, 2023 at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR), 9960 Mayland Drive, Richmond, Virginia.

Caitlin King, Chairman
Bif Johnson, Vice Chairman
Donald Groh, Board Member
Deborah Tomlin, Board Member
Doug Lowe, Board Member
James Spencer, Board Member
Angela Lawhorne, VA Community College
Spencer Wiegard, AGCVA
Scott Shufflebarger, VARP

The following DPOR staff members were present for all or part of the meeting:

Mitch Melis, Director Steve Kirschner, Deputy Director Marjorie King, Executive Director Mary Charity, Licensing Supervisor Stephanie Keuther, Administrative Coordinator Ms. King, Chairman called the March 13, 2023, Board for Contractors Regulatory Workgroup Meeting Call To Order to order at 10:04 A.M.

Mr. Johnson made a motion seconded by Mr. Spencer to adopt the Agenda of March 13, 2023.

Approval of Agenda

The motion was approved with a vote of 9-0-0. Ayes: King, Johnson, Groh, Tomlin, Spencer, Lowe, Lawhorne, Wiegard, and Shufflebarger. Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Ms. King, Chairman opened the Public Comment section of the meeting.

**Public Comment** 

With no one else wishing to come forward Ms. King closed the Public Comment section of the meeting.

**New Business** 

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Review of the Board for Contractors Regulations

Regulatory Review

#### Proposed language for Individual Tradesman License Regulations

Marjorie King, Executive Director, informed the Workgroup in accordance with Executive Directive One and current statutory requirements, the Board for Contractors seeks to amend its Individual eligibility requirements by amending the required years of experience and/or vocational training to obtain approval to sit for an examination and enter the profession. These amendments would affect Journeyman and Master electrical, plumbing, heating ventilation and cooling, gas fitter, liquefied petroleum gas fitter, and natural gas fitter tradesman.

Proposed language for Individual Tradesman License Regulations

The Board received 6 comments via TownHall. The Board sent a questionnaire to various stakeholders on February 3, 2023 seeking their feedback on the Board's eligibility requirements. 45 responses were collected. This questionnaire offered individuals the opportunity to sit down with a Board Member and express concerns and make recommendations and suggestions.

The Committee and Board are tasked with taking all the public comment received and discussing the best path forward to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public while ensuring minimum competency of its licenses without being overly burdensome.

No action was taken at this time.

#### **Individual Continuing Education**

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Marjorie King, Executive Director informed the Board in accordance with the requirements set forth in Executive Directive One, the Board was tasked with performing a complete review of its regulations to best ensure that those regulations are the least burdensome to the industry while providing adequate

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protection to the citizens of Virginia. The Board identified that the eligibility may be overly burdensome.

The Board received 31 comments via TownHall. The Board sent a questionnaire to various stakeholders on February 3, 2023 seeking their feedback on the Board's continuing education. 30 responses were collected. This questionnaire offered individuals the opportunity to sit down with a Board Member and express concerns and make recommendations and suggestions.

The Committee and Board are tasked with taking all the public comment received and discussing the best path forward to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public while ensuring minimum competency of its licenses without being overly burdensome.

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#### Recess

Marjorie King, Executive Director called a recess to the meeting at 12:00 P.M. Marjorie King, Executive Director called the meeting back to order at 12:25 P.M.

Recess

Marjorie King, Executive Director informed the workgroup, at its next meeting, the workgroup will continue the recommendation for proposed language for the Individual Tradesman Regulations.

#### Adjournment

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Marjorie King, Executive Director thanked the Workgroup and Staff and adjourned the Workgroup Meeting at 12:25 P.M.

The next Workgroup Meeting May 8, 2023

Caitlin King, Chairman

# BOARD FOR CONTRACTORS REGULATORY REVIEW WORKSHOP SIGN IN SHEET

## DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION 9960 Mayland Drive Richmond, VA 23233

Monday, March 13, 2023 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center Board Room 2 10:00 A.M.

NAME	Are you here for Public Comment only Y/N	PHONE NUMBER	Who are you with?
Heather Greenvell	N		VARP Rooking Professionals