

Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners Board Meeting Agenda
929 E. 41st St.
Austin, TX 78751
NOVEMBER 10, 2021
10:00 am

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The Board will meet at the above-stated time to consider and take appropriate action on the items listed below.

1. Call to Order – 10:00 a.m.
2. Roll Call.
3. Certification of Quorum.
4. Introduction of New Board Members.
5. Excuse absent Board Members.

6. Election of Board Secretary.
7. Report on meeting with Texas Education Agency regrading implementation of HB 636 career and technology education program for tradesman plumber-limited license.
 - a. Consideration and approval of addition of safety component for previously approved curriculum for Tradesman Plumber Limited courses in high school and career schools.
8. Board discussion of strategies for increasing the number of licensed plumbers in Texas, including:
 - a. Discussion of Draft Reciprocity Agreement with the State of Louisiana for Journeyman Plumber Licenses.
 - b. Review of jurisdictions with substantially equivalent licensing requirements.
9. Discussion of Outreach Strategies including Town Hall Meetings.
10. Proposed repeal of rule 22 Texas Administrative Code § 365.14, relating to Course Year for Continuing Professional Education, as published in 46 Tex. Reg. 4820, August 6, 2021, for adoption.
11. Proposed new rule 22 Texas Administrative Code § 365.14, relating to Course Year for Continuing Professional Education and Training Programs, as published in 46 Tex. Reg. 4821, August 6, 2021, for adoption.
12. Proposed amendments to rule 22 Texas Administrative Code § 365.15, relating to Minimum Curriculum Standards, as published in 46 Tex. Reg. 4822, August 6, 2021, for adoption.
13. Pending review by the Regulatory Compliance Division, proposed repeal of rule 22 Texas Administrative Code § 365.5, relating to Renewal of License, Registration or Endorsement, as published in 46 Tex. Reg. 4818, August 6, 2021, for adoption.
14. Pending review by the Regulatory Compliance Division, proposed new rule 22 Texas Administrative Code § 365.5, relating to Renewal of License, Registration or Endorsement, as published in 46 Tex. Reg. 4819, August 6, 2021, for adoption.
15. Pending review by the Regulatory Compliance Division, proposed new rule 22 Texas Administrative Code § 365.24, relating to Continuing Education and Training Exemptions, as published in 46 Tex. Reg. 4829, August 6, 2021, for adoption.
16. Amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code § 361.6, relating to fees, for publication for public comment.

17. Proposed amendments to rule 22 Texas Administrative Code § 365.22, relating to licensing procedures for military spouses, for publication for public comment.

18. Executive Director's Report and discussion of agency activities including but not limited to:

- personnel changes;
- staff activities;
- job postings;
- Computer Based Testing (CBT);
- continuing education updates;
- license renewal date change; and
- current statistics on plumber licenses and registrations.

19. 2020 -2021 Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Annual Course Provider Report.

20. 2021-2022 Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Course Instructor submitted by the 2021-2022 Business or Association CPE Course Provider:

a. APHCC; Michael Ruland

b. Mendias; My Construction Education; Michael S. Chrisman; and

Jose Davalos.

21. Examination Department Report – Lisa G. Hill, Executive Director

a. Administration of written examinations in locations other than Austin, including San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, Lubbock, Rio Grande Valley, and Waco.

b. Master, Journeyman, and Tradesman Plumber examinations administered and pass/fail rates to date.

c. Pending plumber exam types and retakes.

22. Financial Department Reports – Richard Herman, Director of Financial Operations

a. Review of State Budgeting and Accounting Processes.

b. FY 2022 Appropriation balances.

c. FY 2021 Annual Financial Report.

23. Public Comment – Comments will be limited to three minutes per person.

24. Discussion regarding the date for next board meeting.

25. Recommendations for future board meeting agenda items.

26. Adjourn.

The Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners may go into a closed meeting after first convening in an open meeting and stating the authority under which the closed meeting will be held in accordance with section 551.101 of the Open Meetings Act.

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