

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**IBEW 47-1245 / WLCC-NECA JOINT SAFETY COMMITTEE**  
**June 3, 2026,**  
**Cal-Nevada JATC – Woodland Training Center**

**Present:**

**Mgmt:**

AJ Zartman- Chairman  
Jules Weaver  
Ray Lemen  
Clayton Loback  
Morgan Ricks  
Chad Mcgee  
Tyson Smith  
Fasian Santillan  
Walt Posey  
Roland VanZanten  
Michael Johnson  
Sonny Mendez  
Gabriel D  
Jeremy Atchison  
Ian Neff  
Josh Kleinschmitt  
Brian Fines  
Garret Sims  
Lorne Cierra  
Brandon Gonzales  
Zack Susser  
Jerod Downing  
JD. Brookshine  
Ron Minudri  
Anne Durbin  
Jose Diaz  
Lito Wilkins  
Jason Falske  
Bobby Gage  
Shane Harding  
Travis Walser  
Matt Morrison - Secretary

**IBEW:**

Jeremy Newman  
Casey Lavin  
Terin Donnely  
Ben Contreras  
Fred Aboud  
Jesse Green

Cal-NEV

JATC/ Guest:

Jimmy Skinner, Cal-Nevada JATC  
Will Monzingo

*Meeting called to order by Chairman Zartman at 1:04 pm.*

Chairman Zartman welcomed the group and had everyone introduce themselves. Mr. Zartman then went over the Red Book Article VI, to remind everyone why we are here

**Previous Minutes:**

***M/S/C to approve the Meeting Minutes of the Joint Safety Committee Meeting held on March 18, 2025.***

**Review of Accidents & Incidents:**

The updated **Accident & Incident Reports** is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

**Contractor's Reports:**

The Contractors present reported on the accidents and incidents in the attached **Exhibit A** and some additional incidents or near misses were also discussed. The following contractors noted they had no accidents or incidents to discuss: Underground Electric, Wasatch Electric, Hotline, Basin, and ILB.

**JATC Reports:** Executive Director Skinner Noted they have safety discussions every week at class on Tuesday mornings and if you can share reports with JATC please do. 25 to 35 out of work Apprentices majority are cold. Appreciate all that have apprentices working for them. 3<sup>rd</sup> climbing class this year and 2<sup>nd</sup> sub class. Every other month there is traffic control/ flagger class and you are also invited to OSHA or any other class. We have seen a decline in motor vehicle incidents. 150 apps topping out this year we need to indenture! Really appreciate comments from Forman huge benefit for detailed info we read every evaluation. It was noted again how important the Journeyman Lineman's role and responsibility is in training the apprentices and to the overall success of our JATC program.

**Local 47 – Southern California:** Had a crew opening a switch when opening the 1<sup>st</sup> phase the employee got burned. Also wanted to remind everyone on camera install to follow agreement.

**Local 396 – Nevada:** Had a contractor pin a shoe strap to the pole no insulator ended up causing bad voltage. Had a crew with a unsecure load a capson bounced off truck on I-15 and hit 2 vehicles.

**Local 1245 – Northern California:** on May 8<sup>th</sup> and contractor pole inspector went into cardiac arrest received 3 shocks from AED First Aid and CPR were applied then EMS gave him 2 more shocks. He survived.

## **Exhibits attached hereto:**

### **Exhibit B – Contractor Safety Talks from SDG&E**

#### **Procte**

**Observations:** It was noted that there is more workers being struck by objects from being in the hole. Know where you are and don't look up when in the hole. Rattlesnakes really active in Northern California. Also Tic bites are up this year. There are a lot of First Aid instances. Be aware of heat illnesses with weather getting hot. It was noted that a hole greater than 36" in diameter requires fall protection. Also every crew that works on energized equipment has to have a AED with the crew. The most dangerous thing we do is drive still having lots of vehicle instances. Noted have emergency contact of each employee up to date. Noted mental Awareness is vital and need to encouraged to get help and call 988.

Everyone was then reminded of the 3D Safety Videos of Incidents that are available to all on the Chapter Website: [https://www.westernlineneca.org/document\\_list\\_details.php?id=39](https://www.westernlineneca.org/document_list_details.php?id=39)

#### **Old Business:**

1. Business Manager Colin Lavin noted Jenny Lavin Stress management and has a class for hands who need help or for crew to recognize if someone needs mental health help.
2. Mr. Zartman thanked the Red Book Subcommittee and Professional Safety for their work on the rewrite of the Red Safety Book and noted that printing of new Red Book is happening soon and new Red Books should be ready for next Red Book meeting.
3. Mr. Weaver gave a quick update on EICA's Safety Wallet and Crane Certification program and the Helicopter Training Class that is available now on the Safety Wallet platform and of 2 more New Safety Wallet - Helicopter Training programs focusing on Rigging of Loads and HEC A general discussion followed.

#### **New Business:**

##### **1. California Outside Line Construction Agreement. Section 6.9 clarification.**

A question was presented to the group regarding the required manning of the crews for different scopes of work being performed. The group established a clear and simplified position to guide crew manning expectations in the field.

- 4-man crew work is
    - Any energized work over 600 Volts.
    - Any task that encroaches the Minimum Approach Distance (MAD).
  - On work 599 volts or lower may be performed with reduced crew sizes, including two-person crews so as long as the work can be done safely. Specific crew makeup for these reduced crew sizes are defined in the applicable CBA for the work being performed.
    - Example: In the California Outside Line Construction Agreement – Section 6.9 all options of crew makeup required a Journeyman Lineman shall be designated as a working foreman.
2. Every contractor needs to make sure you check Apprentice training list to verify you don't have lineman on the suspension list supervising Apprentices. A list is on Cal- Nav website and

on WLCC Website.

3. It was noted that the **Red Book Subcommittee** is composed of the following 8 individuals from Labor and Management:

**Labor**

Ethan Stonecipher  
Casey Lavin  
Cory Pederson

**Management**

AJ Zartman  
Chris Burt  
Ryan Ritchie  
Ronald Minudri

3. It was also noted that the **8 - IBEW /NECA Safety Committee** members per the California Outside Line Construction Agreement are as follows:

**Labor Representatives**

Ralph Armstrong  
Eathan Stonecipher  
Casey Lavin  
Colin Lavin  
Jeremy Newman

**Management Representatives**

Jim Stapp  
AJ Zartman  
Walter Posey  
Matthew Morrison  
Shannon Marchbanks

**Next Meeting Date and Location:**

Wednesday – September 2, 2026, at 1:00pm at the Cal-Nevada JATC Training Center located in Riverside, CA.

*Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm*