

BOARD FOR BARBERS & COSMETOLOGY

MINUTES OF MEETING

The Board for Barbers & Cosmetology met on Monday, August 10, 2015, at the Offices of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Board Room 4, Richmond, Virginia. The following members were present:

Margaret B. LaPierre
Anne R. McCaffrey
Joanthan W. Minor
Lonnie Quesenberry
Marie Quinn

The following board members were not present:

Norma J. Dorey
Thomas Daniel Jones
Robert D. Jones II
Daniella Tsamouras
Tony M. Williams

DPOR staff present for all or part of the meeting included:

Jay W. DeBoer, Director
Demetrios J. Melis, Executive Director
Stephen Kirschner, Regulatory Operations Administrator
Cathy Clark, Administrative Assistant

Representative from the Office of the Attorney General was present for all or part of the meeting.

Elizabeth B. Peay, Assistant Attorney General

Mr. Quesenberry, Acting Chair, determined that a quorum was not present and therefore the Board could not act on any business before it. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM. **Call To Order**

Mr. Melis announced that, because of the lack of a quorum, all cases scheduled to be heard by the Board at the meeting would be deferred to a meeting at a future time, to be announced. Mr. Melis explained to those present that they would receive a notice of the meeting at which the cases will be heard. **Cases Deferred**

The Agenda was not approved by the Board, due to the lack of a quorum. **Approval of Agenda**

The minutes of the May 11, 2015 Board Meeting were not approved, due **Approval of**

to the lack of a quorum.

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There were no written communications to be reviewed.

Communications

Mr. Quesenberry asked if there was any public comment.

Public Comment

Sandra Brooks Gale, of the Hair Technology Center in Norfolk, VA addressed the Board about concerns regarding the examination vendor, National Testing Network, and issues that she has confronted with the examination process for her students. Ms. Brooks Gale's comments were taken under advisement by the Board.

Ms. Christa Welton, of Gloucester High School, and Ms. Elizabeth Brit-Kelly, of the Norfolk Technical Center, addressed the Board about concerns regarding the examination vendor, National Testing Network, including the size of the examination site and its capacity for serving their students efficiently.

There were no additional public comments.

Old Business

Examinations

Mr. Melis reported that he and Mr. Kirschner attended the meeting of the Virginia Association of Trade & Industrial Educators (VATIE) in July, and presented examination information to the attendees. Challenges with vendor customer service, exam scheduling, and public school testing were discussed. Mr. Melis stated that the Director is aware of the issues regarding the examination vendor and that they are being addressed internally by DPOR staff.

Report on Vendor

Mr. Melis reported that he, Ms. Rodriguez and Mr. Kirschner met with representatives of the Virginia Department of Education Career and Technical Education Division, George Wilcox and Anthony Williams, on August 5, 2015, to discuss examination issues and collaboration on curriculum for the public school career and technical education programs.

**Meeting with
Virginia
Department of
Education**

Reports

Mr. Kirschner reported that the Barbers, Cosmetology and Nail Technician Regulations and Esthetics Regulations are currently in the Executive Branch review stage. When the regulations are approved by

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the Governor, a public comment period will take place, after which the regulations will be returned to the Board for further amendments and/or approval.

Mr. Kirschner also stated that, approximately every four years, a periodic and small business impact regulatory review is required. A public comment period will begin on September 7, 2015 and end on September 28, 2015, and the comments will be reviewed by the Board at its November 2015 meeting. The Board will decide whether or not to open a regulatory review action based upon the public comments received.

Mr. Kirschner updated the Board on activities stemming out of a legislative proposal from the last legislative session to change the hours of training required to get a nail technician license. He reported to the Board that while the legislation was not acted upon, the Board has reached out to the Maryland Board and been informed that Virginia's nail technician licensees are eligible for a Maryland license with six months' work experience. This information has been provided to the Delegate who proposed the statutory change.

Legislative Report

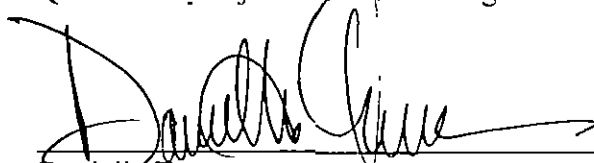
Mr. Melis also indicated legislative items for the next general assembly session are currently the subject of in-house Department review.

Mr. Melis announced that Board elections would take place at the next called or scheduled meeting.


New Business

There being no other business to be brought before the Board, Mr. Quesenberry adjourned the meeting at 9:30

Adjourn



Daniella Tsamouras, Chair



Jay W. De Boer, Secretary