

MINUTES

South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners

April 9, 2001 at 1:30 PM

110 Centerview Drive, Conference Room 108, Columbia, South Carolina

Mr. Ed Barnes, Chairman, of Lexington, called the regular meeting of the S. C. Board of Barber Examiners to order at 1:30 p.m., with a quorum present. Other members of the board participating during the meeting included: Mr. Don Norris, of West Columbia; Mr. Fred Evans, of Columbia; and Mr. Napoleon Rogers, of Hartsville.

Members of staff participating during the meeting included: Mr. Eddie Jones, Administrator; Ms. Lisa Hawsey, Assistant Administrator; Ms. Sharon Dantzler, Deputy General Counsel, LLR-Office of General Counsel; Ms. Shonda Johnson, Administrative Specialist; and Ms. Sandra Dickert, Administrative Assistant.

Mrs. Betty Thompson, of Greer, was granted an excused absence.

Mr. Barnes announced the meeting was being held in accordance with Section 30-4-80 of the Freedom of Information Act by notice mailed to The State Newspaper, Associated Press, WIS-TV and all other requesting persons, organizations, or news media. In addition, notice was posted on the bulletin boards at the two main entrances of the Kingstree Building.

Invocation

All present recited the Lord's Prayer.

Approval of the February 12, 2001 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Barnes questioned Mr. Norris regarding his comments on the OJT classes. Mr. Norris stated he would prefer to make his remarks in executive session. The board determined it would approve the minutes following executive session.

Chairman's Remarks

Mr. Barnes stated he recently attended an emergency meeting of the national conference in Memphis, Tennessee. Among the items discussed was a health insurance policy to assist barbers nationally with the high costs of health insurance.

Administrator's Remarks, For Information

1. Advisory Opinions, If Needed, Office of General Counsel
There were no advisory opinions given during the April 9, 2001 meeting.

2. Legislative Update, If Needed, Legislative Liaison Office
There was no legislative update given during the April 9, 2001 meeting.

3. Exam Results for February 2001 and March 2001
The members were presented with the exam results for the months of February 2001 and

March 2001. These reports are herewith attached and hereby become a permanent part of this record.

Action Items

Old Business

1. Beaufort-Jasper ACE's request for Students to Take Written and Practical Exam on Same Day

Mr. Marwin McKnight stated he is requesting the board to allow his students to take the written and practical exams in one day. He further stated it would be easier for the students to take both exams in one day rather than to appear on two different days to take the exam. He is asking that this request take effect this year and remain in effect hereafter. Two of the students stated their reasons for wanting to take both of the exams in one day.

The board determined it would discuss this matter in executive session.

2. Brian C. Mumford's Request for Third Student Permit

Mr. Brian Mumford had presented a request at the February 2001 meeting; however, he was not present at that meeting. The board had directed staff to inform Mr. Mumford he must appear at today's meeting to present his request for a third student permit.

Mr. Mumford stated he lives in Cheraw and had been attending Denmark Technical College. He had been riding with an individual who worked in that area. The individual was later transferred to another area and Mr. Mumford could not find transportation to continue attending classes. He now wants to attend Thompson and Sons' Barber College in Florence.

Mr. Evans moved the board grant a third student permit to Mr. Mumford for a period of one year. Mr. Norris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

New Business

1. Review and Approval of Barber Apprentice Packet from the American Barber Institute

Mr. Barnes stated this was for board member information only and was not an item for discussion or approval.

2. Request for Waiver for Licensure without Taking Exam - Roland D. Gruber

Ms. Hawsey stated Mr. Gruber was licensed between 1949 and 1977. She noted Mr. Gruber now wishes to reinstate his license. She went on to state Mr. Gruber wants to immediately begin operation if a barbershop for a friend, Clint Hart, who is hospitalized. The proceeds from the business would be used for Mr. Hart's medical expenses. She informed Mr. Gruber he would have to take the practical exam to be reinstated, however, he would receive a temporary work permit, which would allow him to work under supervision, until such time that he has taken the exam and becomes licensed. Mr. Gruber is requesting the board grant him a waiver from taking the practical exam prior to becoming licensed.

A lengthy discussion, which included the fact that an individual who holds a temporary permit cannot operate a barbershop, ensued. Mr. Norris moved the board deny Mr. Gruber's request for a waiver from taking the exam and that the board issue him a 90 work permit

which would restrict Mr. Gruber to working under the supervision of a registered barber or master hair care specialist. Mr. Rogers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

3. Approval for Licensure as a Barber College – Technical College of the Low Country

Mr. Marwin McKnight stated if this request is approved it would be taught as an evening program taught at the Beaufort-Jasper Academy for Career Excellence facilities. He indicated it would be for individuals who would like to take the barber courses at night. He would also be the instructor for these courses.

Mr. Barnes noted that Mr. Evans reviews the schools for approval.

Mr. Evans moved the board grant a sixty-day temporary permit to the Technical College of the Low Country. Mr. Norris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments made during the April 9, 2001 meeting.

Executive Session

Mr. Norris moved the board enter executive session to discuss disciplinary matters. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Return to Public Session

Mr. Barnes noted for the record that no votes were taken during the time the board was in executive session.

Mr. Norris moved the board approve the March 12, 2001 DRC reports as presented. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Norris moved the board approve the Complaint Approval Report, dated April 9, 2001, as presented. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Norris moved the board approve the April 9, 2001 Disciplinary Report, with the exception of case #66-1507. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Norris moved the board approve the Suspension Hearings, dated April 9, 2001, as presented. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Norris moved the board deny Mr. McKnight's request to allow the students of Beaufort/Jasper Academy of Career Excellence to take the written and practical exams in one day. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Norris moved the minutes of the February 12, 2001 meeting be approved as amended. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mr. Evans moved the board review the proposed curriculum from the Technical College of the Low Country. Following a brief discussion, Mr. Evans withdrew his motion.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the board, Mr. Rogers moved the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Norris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The April 9, 2001 meeting of the S. C. Board of Barber Examiners adjourned at 4:16 p.m.

The next meeting of the S. C. Board of Barber Examiners is scheduled for June 11, 2001.