

MINUTES

South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners

Board Meeting

1:30 PM, April 8 2002

Synergy Business Park

110 Centerview Drive, Conference Room 108

Columbia, South Carolina

Edwin Barnes, Chairman, of Lexington, called the regular meeting of the S.C. Board of Barber Examiners to order at 1:30 p.m. Other board members participating in the meeting included: Don Norris, Vice Chairman, of West Columbia; Fred Evans, of Columbia; Napoleon Rogers, of Hartsville; and Betty Thompson, of Greer.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: Sharon Dantzler, Deputy General Counsel, LLR-Office of General Counsel; Sandra Dickert, Administrative Assistant; Lisa Hawsey, Assistant Administrator; Shonda Johnson, Administrative Specialist; Eddie Jones, Administrator; and Kathy Stephens, Investigator.

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.

Pledge of Allegiance

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the February 11, 2002 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Evans moved the minutes of the February 11, 2002 meeting be approved. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Chairman's Remarks

Mr. Barnes stated he would like to place an ad in the program for the national convention. He believes the board has been having a full-page ad. Ms. Hawsey stated the information must be submitted by July 12, 2002. Mr. Barnes stated the board could make payment now and submit the ad by July 12, 2002.

MOTION

Mr. Evans moved the board place a full-page ad in the souvenir/ad book for NABBA. Mr. Norris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Administrator's Remarks, For Information - Eddie Jones

1. Exam Results for February 2002 and March 2002

The board members were presented, for their information, the exam results for the months of February 2002 and March 2002.

2. Instructors Exam

Mr. Jones stated the board had asked him to explore the options of an outside testing service administering the instructors exam. He indicated he just received the information from Experior and NIC and would have this topic on the agenda for the June 2002 meeting.

Advisory Opinions, If Needed, Office of General Counsel

There were no advisory opinions given during the April 8, 2002 meeting.

Legislative Update, If Needed, Legislative Liaison Office

Mr. Barnes briefed the board regarding House Bill H.4545. (This bill would allow cosmetologists to work in barbershops.) He stated that he has been informed by some Senators that Bill H.4545 would die in committee. A brief discussion ensued regarding Senate Bill S.1166. It was determined that this bill would not affect the barbers.

Action Items

Ratification of Mail Ballots

1. Mail Ballot One - Approval of February 11, 2002 DRC Reports

Mr. Evans moved the board ratify mail ballot one. Mr. Norris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Mail Ballot Two - Approval of March 11, 2002 DRC Reports

Mr. Evans moved the board ratify mail ballot two. The motion was seconded by Mr. Norris and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business

1. Request for Third Permit - Gene Dawson

Mr. Dawson did not appear at the April 8, 2002 meeting. The board denied granting Mr. Dawson a third permit.

New Business

1. Approval of Application Arrangements for Victoria Markina

Ms. Markina submitted an application, however, it was returned due to her transcript not being translated from Russian into English. Lisa Hawsey provided Ms. Markina with three services that could possibly translate the transcript; however, these services were not able to provide assistance. Mr. Roy Zeigler is assisting Ms. Markina and would like to further discuss this matter with the board.

Mr. Zeigler and Ms. Markina appeared before the Board at this time.

Mr. Zeigler stated that Ms. Markina contacted a company in New York that was able to translate her transcript from Russian to English.

MOTION

Ms. Thompson moved the Board approve Ms. Markina for apprenticeship. The motion was seconded by Mr. Norris and carried unanimously.

2. Approval of Waiver of Ninth Grade Education - Silas White

Mr. White was attempting to receive a license by reciprocity. However, he does not hold a current license in the State of New York, therefore he needs to take the full examination. His transcript does not show proof of 9th grade education because it dates back to 1949. He is asking the Board to waive the ninth grade education and allow him to take the full exam to receive a South Carolina barber license.

Ms. Johnson stated that the information Mr. White received came from the Charleston Archives, which is where the high school records are kept. She further stated that the individual she spoke with regarding the transcript indicated it did not appear that Mr. White completed the ninth grade.

MOTION

Mr. Evans moved the board accept the transcript as evidence of the equivalence to ninth grade education. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rogers and unanimously carried.

3. Approval of Education Received from The New London Academy of Hairdressing and Cosmetology-Janet L Garcia

Ms. Garcia attended The New London Academy of Hairdressing and Cosmetology in New London, CT. After graduating in 1987 Ms. Garcia acquired a position as hairdresser/barber with The Family Haircut Store in Groton, CT. She worked at this location for one year and became allergic to the perm and dye chemicals as well as latex gloves. She began a barber position with the Federal Government at the New London Submarine Base in Groton, CT where she stayed until January 31, 2002. She decided to relocate to Georgetown, South Carolina to be close to family. She is requesting that the board approve the education she received at The New London Academy of Hairdressing and Cosmetology.

MOTION

Ms. Thompson moved the board grant Ms. Garcia the education equivalence and apprenticeship equivalence. Mr. Norris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Transfer of Apprentice Hours from Georgia to South Carolina - Laronce M. Walton

The State of Georgia requires apprentices to complete 3,000 clock hours before taking the exam to become licensed. Mr. Walton has accumulated 2,112 hours as an apprentice in the State of Georgia. Mr. Walton received training in Hairstyling Techniques and Cutting, Shampooing, Permanent Waving, Relaxing and Chemical Application and Additional Instruction. He is requesting board approval to take the South Carolina exam. He stated that the individual he was apprenticing under would not transfer his hours.

Mr. Barnes asked Mr. Wilson how many hours Georgia requires for an apprenticeship what the requirements are for an apprenticeship. Mr. Wilson stated that Georgia requires a student to acquire 3,000 hours. He further stated that in Georgia an apprenticeship means that an individual could work in a shop under a licensed master barber and that after the completion of 3,000 the individual could take the exam and acquire a master barber license.

MOTION

Mr. Evans moved Mr. Walton complete 800 hours of OJT training for areas the feels he is lacking on his transcript (Theory, Shaving, Facials, Scalp Treatment Techniques) or provide the board proof that he has completed what is missing from the current transcript from Mr. Corey Williams. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Licensure - Alexander Williams

Mr. Williams has been arrested and/or convicted of various violations. The board requires persons with arrest records to appear before the board prior to becoming licensed.

Mr. Williams briefed the board regarding the incidents on his arrest record.

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

6. Approval of Transfer of Hours - Raymond Keeler

Mr. Keeler is a former student of Tolliver's where he attended from June 2000 - July 2001. Mr. Keeler believes he has accumulated 1,053 hours during the time he attended Tolliver's.

The board determined it would obtain an affidavit from Mr. Raymond Lee, Investigator, and would vote on this matter by mail ballot.

7. Approval of Purchase of Advertisement in NABBA Souvenir/Ad Book - NABBA

This topic was discussed during the chairman's remarks.

8. Approval of Licensure - Rodney L. Coleman

Mr. Coleman has three arrests and/or convictions on his SLED report. The board requires persons with arrest records to appear before the board prior to becoming licensed.

Mr. Coleman discussed the three convictions for drugs stated on a letter from the law office of Ralph S. Kennedy Jr. He stated he was convicted for possession of cocaine on September 15, 1997, distribution of marijuana on June 25, 1998, and possession of a controlled substance on August 25, 1999. He noted that the controlled substance belonged to his girlfriend; however, he was arrested for possession since the substance was found in his house.

Mr. Coleman was a student at Tolliver's Barber School from 1997 to 2001.

The board determined it would vote on this matter by mail ballot and would require an affidavit from Mr. Raymond Lee, Investigator and a SLED report.

Mr. Raymond Lee entered the meeting at this time.

Mr. Raymond Lee stated that Tolliver's Barber School records indicate Mr. Coleman completed 149 hours in May 2001, which brought his total hours to 1,500.

MOTION

Mr. Evans moved Mr. Rodney L. Coleman be granted 1,500 hours from Tolliver's per the verbal report from Inspector Lee and prior to taking his license examination Mr. Coleman must submit a SLED criminal arrest report. Mr. Rogers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

9. Approval of Third Student Permit - John E. Mender, Jr.

Mr. John Mender stated he is not learning as much he feels he should under his current OJT instructor. He would like to obtain a third student permit in order to attend Woods College of Barbering. He has attended Glover's Barbershop and A Little Off the Top Barbershop.

Mr. Mender indicated he would like to transfer 1,500 hours should the Board grant a third permit.

MOTION

Mr. Norris moved the Board grant a third permit to Mr. Mender. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Discussion Items

There were no discussion items for the April 8, 2002 meeting of the S.C. Barber Board.

Public Comments

There were no public comments made during the April 8, 2002 meeting of the S.C. Barber Board.

Executive Session

The Board entered executive session to discuss disciplinary actions.

Return to Public Session to Report on Executive Session

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

Raymond Keeler

Mr. Raymond Lee stated Mr. Keeler did not immediately apply for his hours from Tolliver's Barber College. He further stated he received an email from Mr. Keeler after which he informed Mr. Keeler that an email was unacceptable and that he would need to send a notarized statement. He went on to say Mr. Keeler had sent a notarized statement in December 2001 and another notarized statement in March 2002. He indicated he had stated to Mr. Keeler that he would present the statement to the Board in February 2002, however, he was not in the office to present the statement to the Board.

Mr. Lee stated Mr. Keeler is claiming he attended Tolliver's Barber School through July 2001 and received 1,052 hours. He further stated the school records he has from Tolliver's Barber School does not indicate that Mr. Keeler attended the school during July 2001; however, the school records do indicate that Mr. Keeler did attend the school through June 2001 and received 954 hours. He indicated Mr. Keeler is requesting 1,052 hours.

MOTION

Mr. Evans moved that 954 hours be granted to Mr. Keeler. The motion was seconded by Mr. Norris and unanimously carried.

Complaints Approval Report

MOTION

Mr. Evans moved that the Complaints Approval Report of April 2002 be approved. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Disposition Report

Mr. Evans moved that the Disposition Report of April 8, 2002 be accepted as presented. Mr. Rogers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Disciplinary Report

MOTION

Mr. Evans moved that the Disciplinary Report dated April 8, 2002 be accepted as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Norris and unanimously carried.

Alexander Williams

MOTION

Mr. Evans moved the board grant Mr. Williams permission to take the apprentice exam and, if successfully completed, that an apprentice license be granted on a probationary period for two years. The terms of the probation will be that every six months he must submit to the Board a SLED Arrest Record, if he is arrested while he holds a license in the barbering industry, his license will be suspended until such time that he appears before the Board. Ms. Thompson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board at this time, Mr. Evans moved the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Norris seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. The April 8, 2002 meeting of the S. C. Board of Barber Service adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

The next meeting of the S.C. Board of Barber Service is scheduled for June 10, 2002.