

**MINUTES**  
**South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners**  
**Board Meeting**  
**9:00 A.M., August 11, 2008**  
**Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building**  
**110 Centerview Drive, Conference Room 108**  
**Columbia, South Carolina**

**Meeting Called to Order**

Edwin Barnes, chairman, of Lexington, called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Other members present for the meeting included: Paul Robinson, vice chairman; of Orangeburg; Frederick Evans, of Columbia; and Renee Patton of Inman.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: George Barr, Inspector; Ronnie Blackmon, Inspector; Sandra Dickert, Administrative Assistant; Larry Hall, Inspector; Lisa Hawsey, Assistant Administrator; Eddie Jones, Administrator; Glinda Legette, Administrative Specialist; Shirley Robinson, Hearing Advice Attorney; Maurice Smith, Investigator; Ernest Spong, Litigating Attorney; Sheridan Spoon, Deputy Advice Attorney; and Sherry Wilson, Administrative Assistant.

Mr. Barnes announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S. C. Board of Barber Examiners office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Excused Absences**

**MOTION**

Dr. Evans made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried; that the Board excuse Mrs. Tew's absence from the meeting.

**Approval of the June 9, 2008 Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION**

Dr. Evans made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried, that the Board approve the minutes of the June 9, 2008 meeting.

**Chairman's Remarks - Edwin Barnes**

Mr. Barnes held his remarks at this time.

**Administrator's Remarks, For Information – Eddie Jones**

*Advisory Opinions, If Needed, Office of General Counsel*

*Legislative Update, If Needed, Legislative Liaison Office*

There were no advisory opinions or legislative update given during the August 11, 2008 meeting.

Mr. Jones distributed travel request forms to the members for the National Barber Boards annual conference to be held in Washington, DC September 13 – 18, 2008.

*Inspection Report*

The inspection report was presented to the Board as information.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### Eligibility for Reinstatement of Licensure

##### *LeRoy Freddie Jackson*

On January 24, 2006 LeRoy Jackson submitted an application to sit for the registered barber apprentice license. His application reflected he had been arrested on multiple occasions for various unlawful acts between August 15, 1991 and January 23, 2005. He appeared before the Board on February 16, 2006 during which time the Board voted to allow Mr. Jackson to sit for the examination and upon successful completion, grant him a license which was to be placed in probationary status during which time he was required to submit a SLED report to the Board at his own expense.

On May 7, 2008 Mr. Jackson submitted the required SLED report which reflected he was arrested for a felony fraudulent credit card charge. Staff notified Mr. Jackson he needed to appear before the Board during the June 9, 2008 meeting. During the June 9, 2008 meeting the Board determined it could not make a decision regarding Mr. Jackson's license since the fraudulent credit card charge had not been resolved by the court. At that time the Board also requested a legal opinion as to whether or not Mr. Jackson could be granted a license to practice in the barber industry until such time that the matter is resolved by the court.

On July 31, 2008 the Board received an updated SLED report which reflects a conviction in the fraudulent credit card charge and was sentenced to six months in prison suspended to nine months probation.

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

### **New Business**

#### Approval of Consent Agreement – Case #2007-2

Ernest Spong, Litigating Attorney, and Chris Martin, respondent appeared before the Board at this time.

This proceeding was recorded by a court reporter in order to produce a verbatim transcript if requested in accordance with the law.

### **Executive Session**

#### **MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Evans and unanimously carried, that the Board enter executive session to seek legal advice.

### **Return to Public Session**

Mr. Barnes noted for the record that no official action was taken during executive session.

#### **MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Patton and unanimously carried, that the Board reject the consent order as submitted.

#### Approval of DRC Report – June 9, 2008

Mr. Blackmon, Mr. Hall and Mr. Barr reviewed the June 9, 2008 DRC report with the Board.

**MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Evans and unanimously carried, that the Board approve the June 9, 2008 DRC Report as information.

**Approval of Third Student Permit**

*Clayton Chisolm*

On June 11, 2008 the Board received a request for a third student permit from Clayton Chisolm. Mr. Chisolm was unable to complete his barber training at Denmark Technical School due to financial and vehicle problems. Staff notified Mr. Chisolm by letter dated July 10, 2008 that the Board would be discussing his request during this meeting and asked that he be present to answer questions from the members.

Clayton Chisolm appeared before the Board and was sworn to give correct testimony. Mr. Chisolm has been attending Denmark Technical College and believes he has approximately 1,400 hours.

**MOTION**

Dr. Evans made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried, that the Board grant a third student permit to Mr. Chisolm.

*Alonzo Cunningham*

On June 5, 2008 the Board received a request from Alonzo Cunningham seeking the Board's approval of a third student permit. Staff notified Mr. Cunningham by letter dated July 10, 2008 that the Board would be discussing his request during this meeting and asked that he be present to answer questions from the members.

Alonzo Cunningham appeared before the Board and was sworn to give correct testimony. Mr. Cunningham began his OJT training at Kenny G's Barber Shop in Columbia, however, this shop closed approximately seven months after he began his training. He then spent a year in training at a barber shop in Norfolk, Virginia. He returned to South Carolina and trained at Xa Xa's Barber Shop in Columbia. No hours were submitted to staff from either Kenny G's Barber Shop or Xa Xa's Barber Shop. He would be completing OJT training at Billy's Barber Shop in Columbia, which is owned by Billy Bookman.

**MOTION**

Dr. Evans made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Patton and unanimously carried, that the Board grant a third student permit to Mr. Cunningham.

**Approval of Examination and Licensure Applications**

*James M. Hair*

On June 26, 2008 the Board received an application for examination and licensure as a registered barber from James M. Hair. Mr. Hair's criminal history report, provided by SLED, reflects felony arrests for possession and trafficking illegal drugs. The report reflects one conviction of manufacturing and possession of illegal drugs. Staff notified Mr. Hair by letter dated July 29, 2008 that the Board would be discussing his application during this meeting and requested that he appear to answer questions from the members.

James Hair appeared before the Board and was sworn to give correct testimony at this time. None of the events he was arrested for occurred in or near a barber shop. He is currently practicing in the barber industry under a student permit. He is not currently on probation or

parole. He has turned his life around and is not easily angered. He feels like this is a new start for him as he enjoys the barber industry.

**MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Evans and unanimously carried, that the Board allow Mr. Hair to take the exam, and after successful completion of the exam, be granted a license, which is to be placed on probation for one year during which time he must provide a SLED report to the Board at his own expense.

*Paxton E. Simpson, Sr.*

On July 24, 2008 the Board received a registered barber renewal application from Paxton E. Simpson, Sr. Mr. Simpson answered 'yes' to the question asking, "Since the date of your last renewal application, have you been charged, arrested, indicted, or convicted, pled guilty of, or pled nolo contendere for violation of any federal, state, or local law (other than minor traffic violation)?" Mr. Simpson's criminal history report, provided by SLED, reflects Mr. Simpson was arrested in June 2007 for third degree criminal sexual assault. Staff notified Mr. Simpson by letter dated July 29, 2008 that the Board would be discussing his renewal application during this meeting and requested that he appear to answer questions from the members.

Paxton E. Simpson, Sr. appeared before the Board and was sworn to give correct testimony. Mr. Simpson was arrested for criminal sexual assault; however, this matter has not yet been resolved by the court system. This is the first time he has been arrested and/or charged. The incident did not take place in or near a barber shop.

**MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Evans and unanimously carried, that the Board deny licensure until such time Mr. Simpson's charge has been disposed of by the court, once the matter has been disposed of he may resubmit a renewal application and reappear before the Board.

**Approval of Barber School Application/Hair Braider Course**

*Community Barber College*

On July 24, 2008 the Board received a barber school application from Community Barber College, which would be located in Florence, SC. The application states the school owner is Anthony Sellers. Mr. Sellers also submitted a request seeking the Board's approval to teach the six hour hair braiding class and his request included an agenda for the hair braiding course. Staff notified Mr. Sellers by letter dated July 29, 2008 that the Board would be discussing his application and request to teach the six hour hair braiding course during this meeting and requested that he appear to answer questions from the members.

Anthony Sellers appeared before the Board at this time.

Mr. Robinson stated he had reviewed the outline for the hair braider course. He informed Mr. Sellers that he is not to instruct the participants as if they are going to be cosmetologists. He went on to say the participants are not to be taught the use of chemicals or hair extensions.

**MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Patton and unanimously carried, that upon approval of the barber school application Mr. Sellers be allowed to teach the hair braider course.

**MOTION**

Dr. Evans made a motion, seconded by Mr. Robinson and unanimously carried, that the Board approve the barber school contingent upon satisfactory inspection.

Approval of Hair Braider Course

*Jacqueline M. Golden*

On July 31, 2008 the Board received a request from Jacqueline Golden seeking the Board's approval to teach the six hour hair braiding course. Staff notified Ms. Golden by letter dated August 1, 2008 that the Board would be discussing her request during this meeting and requested that she appear to answer questions from the members.

Jacqueline Golden appeared before the Board at this time.

Mr. Robinson stated he had reviewed the documentation and found everything in order. However, he informed Ms. Golden she was not to instruct the participants into believing that they would be licensed as cosmetologists and that they would not be able to perform cosmetologist services such as weaving, blowing or chemical applications.

**MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Patton and unanimously carried, that the Board approve Ms. Golden to teach the six hour hair braider course.

Approval of Proposed 2009 Meeting Dates

The Board reviewed the following proposed meeting dates for 2009.

February 9, 2009	April 13, 2009	June 8, 2009
August 10, 2009	October 12, 2009	December 14, 2009

**MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Evans and unanimously carried, that the Board approve the proposed meeting dates for 2009.

**Discussion Item**

Hours Submitted for Jessica Blackwell by B-Unique Barber Academy

On July 25, 2008 the Board received hours from B-Unique Barber Academy in reference to Jessica Blackwell. Staff has no record of an application from B-Unique Barber Academy to teach Ms. Blackwell. Staff notified Ms. Shanita Peppers, owner of B-Unique Barber Academy and Ms. Jessica Blackwell, student, by letters dated July 25, 2008 that the Board has requested their appearance to discuss the hours submitted.

Neither Jessica Blackwell nor Shanita Peppers of B-Unique Barber Academy appeared at this meeting.

**Public Comments**

No public comments were made during the August 11, 2008 meeting.

**Executive Session**

**MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Patton and unanimously carried, that the Board enter executive session to seek legal advice.

**Return to Public Session**

Mr. Barnes noted for the record that no official action was taken during executive session.

*Eligibility for Reinstatement of Licensure - LeRoy Freddie Jackson*

**MOTION**

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Patton and unanimously carried, that Mr. Jackson appear before the Board during its next scheduled meeting to discuss his license status.

**Adjournment**

**MOTION**

There being no further business to be brought before the Board at this time Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Patton and unanimously carried, that the meeting be adjourned.

The August 11, 2008 meeting of the SC Board of Barber Examiners adjourned at 11:35 a.m.