

**South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners
Board Meeting
9:00 a.m., February 10, 2020
Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Conference Room 108
Columbia, South Carolina 29210**

1. Meeting Called to Order

- a. 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.
- b. Rules of the Meeting
- c. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Introduction of Board Members and All Other Persons Attending

Chairperson Paul Robinson called the meeting of the S.C. Board of Barber Examiners to order at 9:01 a.m. Other Board members participating were:

- ❖ Frederick Evans
- ❖ Christopher Jarvis
- ❖ Renee Patton

Other persons participating included: Theresa Brown, Administrator; Mary League, Advice Counsel; Shannon Beaudry, Staff; Patrice Deas, Staff; Eric Thompson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE); Charles S. Gwynne, Jr., Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC); Rodney Pigford, Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE); Jennifer Stilwell, Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE); Shayla Hayes, Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC); and Tina Behles, Court Reporter

3. Approval of Excused Absences

There were no absences for this meeting.

4. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Evans made a motion to approve the agenda for the February 10, 2020 meeting. Ms. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mr. Jarvis made a motion to approve the minutes for the December 9, 2019 Board meeting and December 9, 2019 Task Force meeting. Ms. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

6. Chairperson's Remarks – Paul E. Robinson

Mr. Robinson stated that he will discuss the Senate subcommittee meeting about the mobile barbering bill later in the meeting.

7. Administrator's Remarks, For Information – Theresa N. Brown

- a. **Budget/Drawdowns** – For Information – The budget was presented for information. It was noted that the budget is out of the red for the first time in recent memory. Members of the Board expressed their thanks to Administration and Finance for their work to make this happen.
- b. **OIE Report** – For Information – Rodney Pigford – The OIE report looks a little different for this meeting. There are comparison statistics for 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020 (so far). In 2017, there were 123 investigations; in 2018, there were 134 investigations; in 2019, there were 125 investigations (7 of which are still active). So far in 2020, there have been 13 investigations, 6 of which are still active. There are currently 13 investigations still active. The categories for 2019 investigations were also presented to the board.

Per the board's request, Mr. Pigford explained what the category of "misconduct" means and how unlicensed practice investigations are undertaken.

- c. **IRC Report** – For Approval – Rodney Pigford – The IRC report is dated January 30, 2020. There were 2 cases for Dismissal and 1 case for Reconsideration of Dismissal.

Mr. Jarvis made a motion to approve the IRC Report. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion. The motion carried.

- d. **ODC Report** – For Information – Charles S. Gwynne, Jr. – As of January 27, 2020, there are 10 open cases:
 - 5 (Pending Hearings)
 - 5 (Pending Consent Agreement/Memorandum of Agreement)

Since the last ODC report, 2 cases have been closed.

- e. Inspection Report** – For Information – Eric Thompson -- In December, there were 150 attempted inspections; 22 were closed at the time of inspection, and 128 inspections were actually conducted. The year-end totals were: 2207 attempted inspections; 562 closed at time of inspection; and 1645 inspections conducted.

In January 2020, there were 222 attempted inspections; 65 were closed at the time of inspection, and 157 were conducted.

- f. Legislative Updates** – Mobile Barber Shops – Mr. Robinson stated that he and Mr. Jarvis attended the Senate subcommittee meeting about the proposed mobile barbershop bill. Mr. Robinson stated that the task force will be tasked with suggesting what should be in statute versus regulation. This will be discussed more fully at the task force meeting.

- 8. Old Business** – Ms. Patton stated that South Carolina Barber Day has been signed into law. This will occur on the third Wednesday of every February; the first one will be February 19th. An e-blast will be sent out to licensees announcing this.

9. New Business

a. Consideration of Student Permit

- i. Christopher Maurice Reaves**

Mr. Christopher Maurice Reaves was seeking approval for a Barber Student Permit with a criminal background. His instructor, Mr. Anthony Gibson, was also in attendance.

Mr. Reaves stated that he is in a better living situation now and has a passion for the job. He is currently on probation; he is scheduled to be released from probation in November 2021, with the possibility of early release in February 2021.

Mr. Gibson stated that Mr. Reaves has been persistent in his goal and thinks he has a lot to offer the field.

Dr. Evans made a motion to grant Christopher Maurice Reaves' student permit on a probationary period until he is released from criminal probation. If there are any additional criminal infractions, then Mr. Reaves must submit a new criminal background check at his own expense. The probationary period will cover this student permit and the renewal of the permit if applicable. Ms. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

b. Consideration of a Barber College Location Change

- i. Clean Cutz Barber School**

This item has been deferred until a later meeting.

10. Hearings – Charles S. Gwynne, Jr.

- a. 2017-131**

This hearing has been deferred until a later meeting.

- 11. Board Member Reports** – Mr. Robinson stated that the NABBA Mid-Winter Conference is February 22-25, 2020. He stated that there is a good lineup and they are looking forward to the meeting. Mr. Robinson and Ms. Patton are attending the meeting.

12. Discussion

There was no discussion for this meeting.

13. Public Comments

There were no public comments for this meeting.

14. Adjournment

Dr. Evans made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Patton and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

The next meeting of the S.C. Board of Barber Examiners is scheduled for April 13, 2020.