

South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners
Board Meeting
Agenda
9:00 a.m., April 12, 2021
Via Teleconference

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, Kingtree 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. In accordance with the Governor's directives regarding social distancing, the meeting will be held via teleconference. Due to technical constraints, members of the public who wish to attend may do so by telephone. For meeting access information, please email boardinfo@llr.sc.gov.
- b. Rules of the Meeting

2. Introduction of Board Members and All Other Persons Attending

Chairman Paul E. Robinson called the meeting of the S.C Board of Barber Examiners to order. Other Board members participating in the meeting included:

- ❖ Renee Patton
- ❖ Christopher Jarvis

Staff members present included: Theresa Brown, Administrator; Mary League, Advice Counsel; Patrice Deas, Staff; Kimberly Brooks, Staff; Sonya Morse; Holley Beeson, Staff; Rodney Pigford, Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE); Shayla Hayes, Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC); Charlie Gwynne (OIE); Jennifer Stillwell, Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE)

All other persons in attendance: Sean Cary, Court Reporter; Darrell Birch; Kevin Young; Eleanor Gladney-Glover; Kenyatta Grimmage; Marwan McKnight; Carlos Howard; Paulette Allen; Trina Greenwood; Melisa Jones Horton; Carlos Howard; Chet Henderson; Mary Beth; Terrance Goss; Jessica Veerepan; Tumika Birch; Jeanella Jackson; Miranda Grimmage; Kathy Meadows; Shanita Peppers

3. Approval of Excused Absences

There were no absences to approve.

4. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Jarvis made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 8, 2021 Board meeting. Ms. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2021- Board Meeting

Mr. Jarvis made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 8, 2021 Board meeting. Ms. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

February 8, 2021- Task Force Meeting

Mr. Jarvis made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 10, 2021 Board meeting. Ms. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

6. Chairperson's Remarks – Paul E. Robinson

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

- a. **Budget/Drawdowns** – For Information
- b. **OIE Report** – For Information – Rodney Pigford – This report was for information purpose only and was given by Mr. Rodney Pigford. The OIE report shows that as of April 12, 2021, there have been a total of 57 complaints; and 5 are active.
- c. **IRC Report** – For Approval – Rodney Pigford- the IRC report for investigations is dated April 5, 2021. There was 11 case for dismissal; 14 cases for dismissal cease and desist case; and 1 cases letter of caution; 10 cases for consent agreement (CA); and 1 case for formal complaint.

- d. **ODC Report** – For Information – Shayla Hayes- the ODC report is for informational purposes only. There were 17 open cases, 1 pending IRC, 9 pending CA/MOA open case, 1 pending hearings/rescheduling cases, 6 pending final order, 12 closed cases.
- e. **Inspection Report** – For Information – Jennifer Stillwell - In January 2021, there were 202 attempted inspections; 52 were closed at the time of inspection, and 102 were conducted. In February 2021, there were 185 attempted inspections; 56 were closed at the time of inspection, and 102 were conducted. In March 2021, there were 192 attempted inspections; 30 were closed at the time of inspection and 144 were conducted.
- f. **Legislative Update**- Ms. Holly Beeson, Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs, presented legislative updates to the board. Ms Beeson stated that mobile barber legislation passed in the 3M subcommittee and moves to the House. This bill will allow permits to be issued to operate out of a mobile unit.

8. Old Business

a. Consideration of and Vote on Proposed Regulation Regarding Animals in Shops and Schools

The consensus of the Board is that animals should not be allowed in barber shops other than a service animal. Ms. League proposed language to be used as a regulation and it will be discussed at the next task force meeting.

Mr. Jarvis made a motion to ratify the decisions made by the board chair regarding animals in shops and schools. Mrs. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

9. New Business

a. Consideration of Student Permit

i. Darrell Birch

Mr. Birch was seeking approval for a student permit with a criminal background. His Instructor, Tumika Birch was in attendance. Tumika Birch is also Mr. Birch sister. Mr. Birch provided a statement on his background and indicated his passion for barbering. His sister spoke in support of his goal of becoming a barber. Mr. Birch is currently on parole.

Mrs. Patton made a motion to approve Mr. Birch for a student permit. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion and it Carried.

ii. Terrance Goss

Mr. Goss was seeking approval for a student permit with a criminal background. Mr. Goss provided a statement on his background and indicated his passion for barbering. Mr. Goss is currently on parole.

Mr. Jarvis made a motion to approve Mr. Goss for a student permit. Mr. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

b. Consideration of Licensure

i. Michael Commey

The agenda item was resolved prior to the board meeting.

ii. Ed's Barber Shop

This agenda item was resolved prior to the board meeting.

c. Consideration of New Barber School

i. Barber Inc.

Kevin Young appeared before the board representing Barber INC in reference to his request to open a new Barber school. Mr. Young stated that he has a passion for helping younger generation achieve their goals.

Mr. Young described the school and answered the board's questions regarding the school. Mr. Robinson stated that a revised curriculum must be submitted to the board.

Ms. Patton made a motion to approve Barber INC upon adding a second instructor and pending preliminary

and final inspection by the board. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion and it carried.

ii. Aiken County Career & Technology Center

Trina Smith appeared before the board representing Aiken County Career Center in reference to their request to open as a new barber college.

Mrs. Smith described the school and answered the board's questions regarding the school.

Mr. Jarvis made a motion to approve the new barber school pending a preliminary and final inspection. Mrs. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

d. Consideration of Proposed Curriculum for Secondary Programs

i. Dr. Eleanor Glover Gladney

Dr. Eleanor Glover Gladney appeared before the board to propose a curriculum for secondary programs. The proposal was for information only. No votes were taken.

e. Consideration of Extension for Secondary Seniors to Earn Barber Hours Beyond Graduation Because of COVID - 19

i. Dr. Eleanor Glover Gladney

Dr. Eleanor Glover Gladney appeared before the board to get an extension for secondary seniors to earn hours beyond graduation because of COVID -19. Dr. Glover Gladney stated her proposal and answered the board's questions.

Ms. Patton made a motion to approve the extension to December of 2021 under the supervision of the school District. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion and it carried.

10. Hearings

a. 2017-74

Mr. Robinson requested a 5 minute comfort break.

This case was in the matter of B-Unique Beauty& Barber Academy, owned and supervised by Ms. Shanita Pepper Ms. Pepper appeared before the Board but waived her rights to an attorney. Ms. Shanika Byrd testified on behalf of Ms. Peppers. Charlie Gwynne presented the findings of the case.

LLR received a complaint stating that Mrs. Peppers did not provide a transcript and documents to a student after numerous attempts.

Ms. Patton made a motion to go into executive session to garner legal advice. Ms. Jarvis seconded the motion and it carried.

Ms. Patton made a motion to come out of executive session. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion and it carried. No motions were made or votes taken during executive session.

Mr. Jarvis made a motion that the state has proven its case. The violation will come with a civil penalty of \$1,000 to be paid within 60 days from the date the order. Ms. Patton seconded the motion and it carried.

b. 2017-131

This case was in the matter of Kizer Miller who was not present at the hearing. LLR received a complaint that Mr. Miller provided a haircut with a straight razor that resulted in the customer receiving numerous cuts that resulted in a rash due to unsanitary practices. Mr. Miller was properly notified and the Board proceeded with the case in his absence..

Mrs. Patton made a motion that the state has proven its case. The violation will come with a civil penalty of \$500.00 to be paid within 60 days from the date of the order. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion and it carried.

11. Board Member Reports

Mr. Robinson stated that PSI pass/ fail rates were up between January 1st thru March 18th, the Register Barber practical rates were at 67% and the theory scores were at a 28% rate. Barber Instructor practical scores were at 33% and theory were at a 23% rates. Master Hair Care practical rate was at 75% and 38.55 % for the theory. Mr. Robinson stated that the PSI pass/ fail rate should be presented monthly and quarterly.

Mr. Robinson stated that the inspections department needs to develop a guide for the schools and this should be presented at the next board meeting.

Mr. Jarvis stated he sent a mass email to get additional board members in order for the Board to be 100% effective.

12. Adjournment

Mrs. Patton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jarvis and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

The next meeting of the S.C. Board of Barber Examiners is scheduled for June 14, 2021.
