

AMENDED
South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners
Board Meeting
9:00 a.m., December 10, 2018
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 (via telephone) called the meeting of the S.C. Board of Barber Examiners to order. Other Board members participating in the meeting included:

- ❖ Edwin Barnes
- ❖ Renee Patton (via telephone)

Other persons in attendance included: Theresa Brown, Administrator; Mary League, Advice Counsel; Shalon Genwright, Staff; Eric Thompson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE); Charles S. Gwynne, Jr., Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC); Sharon Wolfe, Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE); Rodney Pigford, Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE); Tina Behles, Court Reporter

3. Approval of Excused Absences

Mr. Edwin Barnes made a motion to excuse the absence of Dr. Frederick Evans and it was seconded by Ms. Renee Patton. The motion carried.

4. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Barnes made a motion to approve the meeting's agenda. The new business will be omitted. The motion was seconded by Ms. Patton. The motion carried.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2018

Mr. Barnes made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the October 8th meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Patton and it carried.

6. Introduction of Director Emily Farr

Director Farr had a conflict in her schedule, so she sent her apologies.

7. Chairperson's Remarks – Paul E. Robinson

Chairperson Robinson asked for a moment of silence for the victims of the fires and the shootings in California and anyone who is in distress during this holiday season.

We regret to see our friend, Mr. Edwin Barnes, leave the board as this is his last official state board meeting. The Board has a plaque and a gift for him.

We have not heard from the governor's office as far as a new board member.

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

- a. **Budget/Drawdowns** – For Information – This is for informational purposes only.
- b. **OIE Report** – For Information – Rodney Pigford – The OIE report is for cases from January 1, 2018 through November 29, 2018. Since January, 37 cases have been closed.
- c. **IRC Report** – For Approval – Rodney Pigford – Ms. Patton made a motion to approve the IRC report and it was seconded by Mr. Barnes. The motion carried. The professional misconduct cases were just allegations and when investigated, no evidence was found.
- d. **ODC Report** – For Information – Charles S. Gwynne, Jr. - Currently, there are 25 open cases.
 - 15 (closed since October)
 - 9 (pending action such as drafting of formal complaints/consent agreements)
 - 9 (pending consent agreements that are waiting on the respondent)
 - 7 (pending hearings)
- e. **Inspection Report** – For Information – Eric Thompson - In October, there were 128 barber shops. In November, there were 93 barber shops. There have been a total of 1,122 barber shops inspected this year. When barbershops and schools are closed when visited by an inspector, they are placed back into the cycle to be inspected within 90 days.

9. Old Business

10. New Business

- a. **Consideration of Licensure - The hearings will take place at the next board meeting.**
 - i. Anwin Wilder, Jr.
 - ii. Demar Shabazz
 - iii. Sterling Bates
 - iv. Alton Clinkscales, Jr.
- b. **Consideration of 3rd Student Permit - The hearings will take place at the next board meeting.**
 - i. X-Xavier Williams
 - ii. Engrid Vogt
- c. **On-the-Job Training Overview**

The overview will be discussed at the next board meeting.

11. Hearings – Charles S. Gwynne, Jr. – The hearings will take place at the next board meeting.

- i. 2018-24
- ii. 2018-84
- iii. 2017-72
- iv. 2018-11
- v. 2018-30
- vi. 2018-39

12. Board Member Reports

Ms. Patton mentioned the inclement weather in her area.

13. Discussion

Ms. Theresa Brown needed a vote made on the attendees for the mid-year conference. The conference will be held in Nashville, Tennessee, from February 23-26, 2019.

Ms. Patton made a motion to approve herself and Chairperson Paul Robinson to attend the mid-year conference for NABBA and it was seconded by Mr. Barnes. The motion carried.

Mr. Barnes thanked the South Carolina governors and legislators. He thanked all of the past members of the board for supporting him through this. He has thoroughly enjoyed his career. There comes a time and place for somebody to step down. According to the governor's office, he will still be a board member until someone else is appointed. In his previous years as a board member, the board used to be on their own (under the Attorney General's Office) and they handled themselves by staying above water. He has gone to the statehouse to keep the boards from combining. It may eventually happen, but his involvement has kept it suspended. He was involved with the crossover license that has really helped the barbers, as well as on-the-job training. The industry is continuing to grow. It has been a very good run during his 33 years within the industry.

Ms. Patton thanked Mr. Barnes not only on a state level, but on a national level for keeping the industry alive and well. Mr. Barnes has been at the core of some good and bad times in the industry. He will always be her mentor and she thanks him.

14. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

15. Adjournment

Mr. Barnes made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Ms. Patton. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

The next meeting of the S.C. Board of Barber Examiners is scheduled for February 11, 2019.