

**South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners  
Board Meeting  
9:00 a.m., June 8, 2015  
Synergy Business Park  
Kingstree Building  
110 Centerview Drive, Conference Room 108  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211**

**Meeting Called to Order**

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S. C. Board of Barber Examiner's 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.

**Rules of the Meeting Read by the Chairman**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Introduction of Board Members**

Chairman Paul Robinson called the regular meeting of the Board of Barber Examiners to order. Other Board members in attendance included, Renee Patton, Ed Barnes, Frederick Evans and Patricia Durkin.

**Staff Members Participating in the Meeting**

Mary League, Advice Counsel; Theresa Richardson, Administrator; Roz Bailey-Glover, Matteah Taylor, Staff; and Tracey Perlman, ODC.

**Approval of Excused Absences**

There were no absences.

**Approval of the Agenda**

**MOTION:**

Dr. Evans made a motion to approve the agenda with any deviations necessary. Renee Patton seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Approval of the Minutes**

April 13, 2015

**MOTION:**

Dr. Evans made a motion to approve the minutes from April 13, 2015. Patricia Durkin seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

### **Chairman's Remarks – Paul Robinson**

Mr. Robinson inquired if the other Board members heard back from the Senate about their re-appointments or at least had their sub-committee hearings for their re-appointments.

### **Administrator Remarks – Theresa Richardson, Administrator**

#### **OIE Report – Robbie Boland**

The OIE case report was from January 1, 2015 through May 21, 2015. There were a total of 4 do not open cases and 2 cases pending Board actions. There were 7 alleged issues to include, 2 cases of unlicensed persons to practice, 1 case was unclassified, 2 cases were unknown and 2 cases were unlicensed practice. There were a total of 17 case statuses, to include 10 closed cases and 7 do not open cases. For alleged issues there were a total of 6 cases to include 3 cases for allowing unlicensed persons to practice, 2 cases of failure to maintain or providing records of student hours, and 6 cases were not classified.

#### **ODC Report – Tracey Perlman**

As of June 3, 2015 there were 8 open cases, 6 pending action cases, 1 pending hearings, 1 pending final order case, and as of April 6, 2015, 8 cases were closed.

#### **Inspection Report – Robbie Boland**

As of April 2015, 61 shops were attempted to be inspected, 18 of those shops were not opened for business at the time of inspection, and 43 shops were actually inspected. In March 2015, 77 shops were attempted to be inspected, 17 of those shops were not opened for business at the time of inspection, and 60 shops were actually inspected. There were a total of 265 shops to be inspected for the year 2015; 75 of those shops were not opened at the time of the inspection, and 190 of those shops were physically inspected.

#### **Budget –**

Ms. Richardson explained the financial reports for March and April were included within the board materials. If there are any questions please place them in writing so that the questions can be presented to the Financial Director for answers.

It appears that the budget is on the rise due to the increased renewal fees.

There were comprehensive reviews conducted of all LLR boards and it revealed that some boards had a significant surplus while other boards had significant deficits. To erase the deficit the Agency's Director presented a plan to increase fees. The Board of Barber Examiners voted to increase their fees at the December 9, 2013 board meeting.

#### **Old Business**

There was no old business to be discussed.

#### **New Business**

#### **Review for Consideration of a Barber School Opening**

##### *Fairfield Career & Technology Center*

Jeremy Dinkins appeared before the Board seeking approval to open a barber school. Discussion included but was not limited to explanation pertaining to a barber program at Fairfield Career &

Technology Center. Mr. Dinkins is Fairfield Career & Technology Center's director. A list of 24 interested students was presented with the school application. Mr. Dinkins was informed of the ratio of one instructor per 20 students. It was explained that the school is considering a schedule for a morning class and an afternoon class so all of the interested students can take part of the barber training. There is a substitute or assistant instructor for this program.

**MOTION:**

Renee Patton made a motion for provisional approval of the barber program at Fairfield Career & Technology Center pending the backup instructor's information is submitted to the Administrator. LLR's inspector and a board member has to be conducted an inspection once the building construction is complete. Dr. Evans seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Discussion Regarding the Education Committee**

Mr. Robinson expressed the importance of reviewing the NIC examinations. The board previously voted to create an education committee to review the examinations. Ms. Richardson stated the NIC representative, Roseann Kinley, will be available to meet with the committee on Monday, July 6, 2015 at 9:00 am. Edwin Barnes stated he will not be in attendance. Ms. Richardson explained she would like for the education committee to review the hair braider and barber assistant exams which are given through the board's website in addition to the NIC examinations.

Renee Patton mentioned the 2015 National Association of Barber Boards of America (NABBA) will hold their 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in Phoenix, Arizona. The conference is scheduled to begin Friday, September 18, 2015 and end Thursday, September 24, 2015. Ms. Patton stated there will be discussion on continuing education although it is not required for the barber profession.

**MOTION:**

Dr. Evans made a motion to approve two board members, Mr. Robinson and Renee Patton to attend the NABBA annual conference. Edwin Barnes seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Position Statement Regarding Instructor Licensing**

Ms. Richardson asked the Board to provide clarification of obtaining a barber instructor's license. Licensed barbers are under the impression that once a barber instructor's license is obtained the practicing individual license i.e. master hair care or registered barber licenses are no longer required to be maintained. A statement is needed to inform licensees that in addition to the barber instructor's license a master hair care license or a registered barber's license must be maintained. Mr. Robinson explained a master hair care license and a registered barber license are only to practice barbering. The barber instructor license is an additional license that gives an individual the ability to teach students. The South Carolina Code of Laws §40-7-290(A) was referenced as it states the requirements for barbers who train students.

**MOTION:**

Dr. Evans made a motion that a statement should be issued to explain once the barber instructor's license is obtained a registered barber license or a master hair care license must remain current in order to operate as a professional barber. The barber instructor license is an

additional license that gives the ability to train students. Patricia Durkin seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

### **Discussion Regarding Governor Haley's Task Force in Domestic Violence**

Alex Imgrund of LLR appeared before the board to discuss Governor Haley's domestic violence task force to which he has been appointed. Director Richele Taylor is the Chair of the Community Subdivision. Mr. Imgrund has been assigned to implement training for the professional licensees so they will be able to assist domestic violence victims. Licensed professionals coming into contact with domestic violence victims should be aware of how to assist them. Mr. Imgrund is putting together a working group of licensed professionals. Board members or licensed professionals are invited to be a part of this working group. This working group will gather ideas to help victims of domestic violence. Mr. Robinson and Renee Patton volunteered to participate in the working group.

### **Discussion**

Renee Patton stated she received a text from Charles Kirkpatrick, Director of NABBA expressing the reduction of occupational licensing professions. Ms. Patton explained this is presently a hot topic due to deregulation issues.

### **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

### **Adjournment: 10:05 am**

### **MOTION:**

Dr. Evans made a motion to adjourn. Renee Patton seconded the motion which carried unanimously.