

**South Carolina Board of Cosmetology**  
**Board Meeting**  
**9:00 a.m., January 14, 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 Cosmetology 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**

Vice Chairperson LaQuita Clark-Horton called the meeting of the S.C. Board of Cosmetology to order at 9:06 a.m. Other Board members participating in the meeting included:

- ❖ Patricia Walters
- ❖ Stephanie Nye
- ❖ Marcia Delaney
- ❖ Eddie Jones

Staff members present included: Mary League, Advice Counsel; Theresa Brown, Administrator; Shannon Beaudry, Staff; Patrice Deas, Staff; Charles Gwynne, Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC); Holly Beeson, Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs

**All Other Persons Attending:**

Tina Behles, Court Reporter; Lynn Martin; Nia Strothers Lewis; Bahiyah Moton; Amy Davis; Gloria Smith; Chesley Phillips; John Ray; Hai Thi Pham; Catherine Cunningham

**3) Approval of Excused Absences**

Mr. Jones made a motion to excuse the absence of Melanie Thompson. Ms. Delaney seconded the motion and it carried.

**4) Approval of Agenda**

Ms. Walters made a motion to approve the meeting agenda with any deviations deemed necessary. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nye and Ms. Delaney. The motion carried.

- 5) Legislative Updates** – This item had previously been deferred at the January 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Ms. Holly Beeson from the LLR Office of Communications and Governmental Affairs provided legislative updates to the board. The proposed updates to the regulations will be read and assigned to committee soon; she stated that she anticipates that the regulations should go to the House then the Senate. She asked that at least one board member attend the committee hearings to provide testimony as needed.

Additionally, Ms. Beeson stated that there is a proposed hair designer bill that has been filed. If passed, this would add a hair designer license type. She will keep the board apprised of the progress of that bill.

The board thanked Ms. Beeson for her time.

- 6) Chair Remarks** – There were no remarks for this meeting.

- 7) Administrator's Remarks** – There were no remarks for this meeting.

8) **Old Business** – There was no old business for this meeting.

9) **New Business**

**a) Ratification of Approved CE Packets (Substantial Corrections Required)**

Ms. Theresa Brown read the list of CE providers who were required to make substantial corrections to their packets. These packet changes were reviewed and approved by staff, and these approvals need to be ratified by the board. The CE providers who made substantial corrections were:

- A Better You Cosmetology Association
- A But'Y'ful "U" Cosmetology Association LLC
- Advanced Association of Cosmetology of SC LLC
- Affirmed Wellness: International Beauty Institute LLC
- Association For Cosmetology Excellence Inc. (ACE)
- Association of Cosmetology Salon Professionals (ACSP)
- Association of Professional Continuing Education (AOPCES)
- Beauty Buzz LLC
- Bellas Touch Association LLC
- C. Williams CEU Training Association
- C. Howell Beauty's Done LLC
- Cornerstone Continuing Education Association LLC
- Coastal Advance Esthetic Education
- Continuing Education of Cosmetology of the Carolina's LLC
- Educate Inspire Motivate Cosmetology Association LLC
- Excel Continuing Education
- Fabulous Hair Association LLC
- Hair Matters LLC
- Heavenly Touch Educational Services LLC
- Higher Edge Cosmetology PA
- International School of Beauty
- JKU Cosmetology Association LLC
- Jolei's Hair Institute LLC
- Joyful Expressions LLC
- Lennie B & Co LLC
- Medical Hair Restoration LLC
- Miracle Cosmetology Association
- N2 Skin Education LLC
- Nails, Skin & Hair of America, LLC
- Pampered Beauty LC
- Pedi Parlor LLC
- Premier Online Education
- P. Price Education LLC
- Riot Education LLC
- SHB Cosmetology Association LLC
- South Carolina Association of Cosmetic Arts (SCACA)
- South Carolina Association of Cosmetology School (SCACS)
- South Carolina Vision Association of Cosmetology
- The ETA Concept for Advance Training LLC
- The Original International Spa Institute LLC
- Tranquility Association for Beauty Artists
- U.H.D. Academy
- Upstate Hair Skin and Nails LP
- With Purpose LLC

Ms. Walters made a motion to approve the ratification of the approvals of the CE packets with substantial corrections. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**b) Consideration of Disciplinary Class Providers**

- i) B and T Hair Group – Ms. Bahiyah Moton represented B and T Hair Group. They requested to meet with the board to be approved as a disciplinary class provider for 2020.

Ms. Walters made a motion to approve B and T Hair Group as a disciplinary class provider for 2020. Mr. Jones seconded the motion and it carried.

- ii) Hair Heirs LLC – Ms. Amy Davis represented Hair Heirs LLC. They requested to meet with the board to be approved as a disciplinary class provider for 2020.

Ms. Delaney made a motion to approve Hair Heirs LLC as a disciplinary class provider for 2020. Mr. Jones seconded the motion and the motion carried.

- iii) Upstate Hair Skin and Nails L.P. – Ms. Lynn Martin represented Upstate Hair Skin and Nails L.P. They requested to meet with the board to be approved as a disciplinary class provider for 2020.

Ms. Delaney made a motion to approve Upstate Hair Skin and Nails L.P. as a disciplinary class provider for 2020. Ms. Walters seconded the motion and it carried.

- iv) South Carolina Association of Cosmetology Schools (SCACS) – Ms. Gloria Smith represented SCACS. They requested to meet with the board to be approved as a disciplinary class provider for 2020.

Ms. Walters made a motion to approve South Carolina Association of Cosmetology Schools as a disciplinary class provider for 2020. Ms. Delaney seconded the motion and it carried.

- v) Chesley Paige Phillips Productions LLC – Ms. Chesley Paige Phillips represented Chesley Paige Phillips LLC. They requested to meet with the board to be approved as a disciplinary class provider for 2020.

Mr. Jones made a motion to approve Chesley Paige Phillips Productions as a disciplinary class provider for 2020. Ms. Walters seconded the motion and it carried.

**c) Consideration to Become a Methods of Teaching Instructor**

Ms. Nia Strothers Lewis requested to appear before the board to request approval to become a Methods of Teaching instructor. Ms. Lewis has a master's degree in communication. She explained to the board that her communications specialty is instructing teachers how to communicate to students effectively; she also stated that she teaches as an adjunct instructor and completed a 2-year graduate assistantship. Ms. Lewis's transcripts were presented to the board.

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

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

Ms. Nye made a motion to approve Nia Strothers Lewis as a Methods of Teaching instructor based on her education and experience as an adjunct instructor. Ms. Delaney seconded the motion and it carried.

- d) **Comments from AOPCES** – Mr. John Ray appeared before the board representing AOPCES. AOPCES requested to speak with the board to express their concern over the proposed changes to the regulations that would decrease required CEs. Mr. Ray also made some suggestions to the board, including: allow CE providers to maintain evaluations instead of providing them to USC; drop the requirement for online CE providers to provide one in-person class; and no longer require pop-ups and quizzes for online classes.

Mr. Ray also asked whether the board has a manual or guidelines for reviewing CE course packets. The board stated that they do not have a manual; they review course materials for accuracy and make sure course information is in line with the statutes and regulations. The board also stated that most infractions they see are related to sanitation and infection control so that is where they feel the focus of CEs should be.

The board thanked Mr. Ray for his statement.

**The board took a five minute break.**

**10) Final Order Hearings – Charles S. Gwynne Jr.**

- 2018-125

This case was in the matter of Hai Thi Pham. Mr. Gwynne presented the findings of the case. Ms. Pham appeared before the board and was represented by Attorney Catherine Cunningham.

Ms. Delaney made a motion to accept the Hearing Officer's recommendations. Ms. Walters seconded the motion and it carried. The Hearing Officer's recommendations were: Acceptance of the Memorandum of Agreement, a public reprimand, completion of disciplinary sanitation and law classes within 60 days of the board order, and a civil penalty of \$1500 (\$500 for each violation) to be paid within 60 days from the board order date.

- 2019-164

This case was in the matter of Phat T. Nguyen. Respondent did not appear but was properly noticed at the address on file. The notice was returned in the mail, and respondent was subsequently emailed a copy of the notice.

Ms. Delaney made a motion to accept the Hearing Officer's recommendations. Ms. Walters and Mr. Jones seconded the motion and it carried. The Hearing Officer's recommendations were: A public reprimand, a civil penalty of \$1,000 (\$500 for each violation) to be paid within 60 days of the board order, completion of disciplinary sanitation and law classes within 60 days of the final order date, and dismissal with prejudice of the fourth alleged violation.

**11) Public Comments –**

Ms. Chesley Paige Phillips expressed her appreciation for what the board does. She stated that, while she does not agree with the proposed reduction in CE hours, she supports the focus on sanitation and safety. Ms. Phillips also stated that she thinks CE providers should be required to attend all board meetings and that providers should have to pay an application fee.

Ms. Gloria Smith stated that she agrees that CE providers should have to attend every board meeting and that it should be a part of the approval process.

**12) Adjournment**

Ms. Delaney made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Ms. Walters. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

**The next meeting of the S.C. Board of Cosmetology is scheduled for March 9-10, 2020.**