Cosmetologists' Board Meeting

Monday, April 3, 2023

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A meeting of the State Board of Cosmetologists was held on Monday, April 3, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. by teleconference.

Board Member Attendees

Ms. Trai Dagucon-Hunt, Chair, Industry Member

Ms. Shanay Dudley, School Member (Absent)

Ms. April Kenney, Cosmetologist Member

Ms. Rosalind Hosley, Cosmetologist member

Ms. Kelly Canty, Consumer member (Absent)

Other Staff Attendees

Ms. Nicole Fletcher, Executive Director

Ms. Breona Scott, Assistant Executive Director

Ms. Leslie Braxton, Licensing Supervisor

Ms. Natika Wallace, Administrative Officer

Ms. Ashely Thompson, Office Secretary

Ms. Sophie Asike, Assistant Attorney General

Ms. Renee Robertson, Continuing Education Coordinator

Ms. Kimberly Archie, Inspector (Absent)

Ms. Karina Papavasiliou, Inspector

Agenda

Quorum Announced and Meeting Called to Order

A quorum was announced by Chair Trai Dagucon-Hunt and the meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

Executive Director Nicole Fletcher asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add item C in Old Business. Ms. Trai Dagucon-Hunt made a motion to approve the amendment for the agenda, seconded by Ms. Rosalind Hosley and the agenda was unanimously approved.

Approval of March 6, 2023, Minutes

The minutes of the March 6, 2023, meeting were reviewed by the Board. Chair Trai Dagucon-Hunt asked for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion was made by Ms. Rosalind Hosley to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. April Kenny and the motion unanimously passed.

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New Business

A. Apprentice Restart

Administrative Officer Natika Wallace asked if Apprentice Limited Nail Technician Huyen Bui was present to speak with the Board. Mr. Bui was not present in the meeting to petition the Board to restart the apprentice nail technician program.

B. Regulations Update

Executive Director Nicole Fletcher mentioned she is currently working on updating regulations for salon suites as well changes for both the limited hairstylist and blow drying license.

C. Board Integration

Executive Director Nicole Fletcher mentioned that there is an idea to integrate into one board instead of operating with two separate boards. There will be a meeting scheduled in the future to discuss integrating the boards in order for a concrete decision to be made in reference to integrating the boards

Old Business

A. PSI NATIONAL EXAM

Executive Director Nicole Fletcher announced there was a vote that was taken to convert the current PSI exam to a National PSI exam.

B. <u>LEGISLATIVE UPDATES</u>

Executive Director Nicole Fletcher announced that the Senate bill 0432 for lashes is still pending in the 1st reading status. There have been no changes to the bill at this time but when and if something does change there will be information given out to everyone. Continuing Education Coordinator Renee Robertson announced that the Continuing Education regulations have been posted on the website. As of right now the Board is waiting for the final approval for the adoption of the regulation.

C. ESTHETICIAN DO'S AND DON'TS

Assistant Executive Director Breona Scott composed a list of "Do's and Don'ts for Estheticians" due to the overwhelming number of questions about the scope of practice. It will be posted on the website for public review.

D. CURRICULUM APPROVAL

Executive Director Nicole Fletcher announced she has not received any curriculums that need to be approved at this time.

E. INSPECTION REPORT

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Licensing Supervisor Leslie Braxton provided an Inspection Summary for today's meeting. The Data was collected from March 10, 2023 – March 31, 2023.

38	# Of new shop applications received
16	# Of new shops pending inspections - assigned
22	# Of new shops pending inspections - to be unassigned
6	Complaints received
6	Complaints open - to be investigated
0	Complaints - inspections completed
151	Inspections conducted
59	Inspections passed
72	Inspections failed

20	Closed at time of inspection / Permanently closed
6	Failed late renewal inspections
2	Failed complaint inspections
5	Failed new shop inspections

Public Comment

Ms. Christine Elliott proposed that there be a separate board for estheticians because she feels that just having a Cosmetology and a Barber board is not enough; she also suggested that the language be changed on the board member vacancy as she believes it discourages people who are not actual cosmetologists from applying. Ms. Caitlin Brecht asked why dermaplaning and chemical peels are not permitted under the "Do's and Don'ts for Estheticians" list. Ms. Jasmine Williams wanted more information on the process of trying to get some of the law to have a lot of gray areas. Ms. Arnetta Rogers requested clarification on when the continuing education requirements will be enforced and how the requirements will change things for licensees.

Adjournment