Cosmetologists' Board Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2023

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A meeting of the State Board of Cosmetologists was held on Monday, February 6, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. by teleconference.

Board Member Attendees

Ms. Trai Dagucon-Hunt, Chair, Industry Member

Ms. Shanay Dudley, School Member

Ms. April Kenney, Cosmetologist Member

Ms. Rosalind Hosley, Cosmetologist member

Ms. Kelly Canty, Consumer member

Other Staff Attendees

Ms. Nicole Fletcher, Executive Director

Ms. Breona Scott, Assistant Executive Director

Ms. Leslie Braxton, Licensing Supervisor

Ms. Natika Wallace, Administrative Of icer

Ms. Sophie Asike, Assistant Attorney General

Ms. Renee Robertson, Continuing Education Coordinator

Ms. Kimberly Archie, Inspector

Ms. Karina Papavasiliou, Inspector

Agenda

Quorum Announced and Meeting Called to Order

A quorum was announced by the Executive Director, Ms. Nicole Fletcher and the meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

Executive Director, Ms. Nicole Fletcher asked for a motion to retract item E from Old Business on the agenda. Ms. Trai Dagucon-Hunt made a motion to approve the retraction from the agenda, seconded by Ms. Shanay Dudley and the agenda was unanimously approved.

Approval of December 5, 2022, Minutes

The minutes of the December 5, 2022, meeting were reviewed by the Board. Executive Director, Ms. Nicole Fletcher asked for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion was made by Ms. Trai Dagucon-Hunt to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Shanay Dudley and the motion unanimously passed.

New Business

A. Target Goals

Ms. Roslyn Hosley requested the price of the cosmetology license to increase so the Board is able to employ more inspectors. Ms. Shanay Dudley requested the Board evaluate the Master Esthetician program as she believes that Maryland is losing very valuable estheticians to other states. Additionally Ms. Dudley mentioned that an instructor's license should be evaluated as well.

B. Live Model Hour Requirement

Mr. Charles Riser made an inquiry about changing the hours requirement for the esthetician program. At one point during the pandemic students were not in school; it was not allowed for them to use a live model until a certain amount of hours were completed which removed the experience for the students.

C. Curriculum guide breakdowns

Executive Director Ms. Nicole Fletcher created a curriculum checklist for schools that are looking to open.

D. Estheticians Do's and Don'ts

Assistant Executive Director Ms. Breona Scott composed a list of "Do's and Don't for Estheticians" due to the overwhelming number of questions about the scope of practice. The Board unanimously decided that this matter should be discussed in a closed session to develop a more accurate model. The results will be released to the public once completed.

E. Apprentice Restart

Administrative Officer Ms. Natika Wallace spoke with apprentice Khoa Nguyen and his sponsor

Thuy Tran in reference to the apprentice wanting to restart the limited nail technician program. Mr. Nguyen mentioned that he was originally unable to complete the program due to not being able to balance work and family life. Chair, Ms. Trai Dagucon-Hun made a motion to approve Mr. Nguyen to be allowed to restart the program. Motion was seconded by Ms. Kelly Canty and unanimously approved by the Board.

Old Business

A. STAFFING UPDATE

Executive Director Nicole Fletcher announced that Ms. Ashley Thompson has joined the team as the Board secretary. Ms. Nicole Fletcher also announced that Ms. Trai Dagucon-Hun has been elected as the new chair for the Board of Cosmetologists.

B. <u>LEGISLATIVE UPDATES</u>

Executive Director Ms. Nicole Fletcher announced that the bill for lashes has been released. More information will be available soon.

F. CURRICULUM APPROVAL

Executive Director Nicole Fletcher announced several curriculums that have been approved. Revolutionary Institute of Beauty in Oxon Hill, MD has a nail technician program that was approved in January 2023. Medassage: School of Esthetics in Clinton, MD which was approved in December 2022.

G. INSPECTION REPORT

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Licensing Supervisor Ms. Leslie Braxton provided an Inspection Summary for today's meeting. The Data was collected from December 7, 2022 – January 23, 2023.

47 # Of new shop applications received

26 # Of new shops pending inspections - assigned

21 # Of new shops pending inspections –

unassigned

20 Complaints received

6 Complaints open - to be investigated 15 Complaints - inspections completed

263 Inspections conducted

101 Inspections passed

93 Inspections failed

10 Failed late renewal inspections

69 Closed at time of inspection / Permanently close

5 Failed complaint inspections

2 Failed new shop inspections

F. MMA PROHIBITION

Executive Director, Ms. Nicole Fletcher mentioned we need to come up with a resolution to be able to determine when the salons are using things that are prohibited.

Public Comment

Ms. Regina Wilkins stated that she felt that the "Do's and Don't of Estheticians" is a great thing because she is an esthetician who came through reciprocity. She was surprised at the changes in authorized acts from state to state. Charles Riser mentioned that there is no kit to determine if MMA is in any products. Crystal Thomas inquired how she could find a senior cosmetologist to sign off on her application when she is the owner of the salon. She was informed that she would need to have a senior cosmetologist to vouch for her years of experience.

Adjournment

Ms. Nicole Fletcher made a motion to call the meeting to adjourn at 11:36 A.M