



**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Board of Barber and Cosmetology**  
**1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Room E-300, Washington, DC 20024**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, June 2, 2015**

The District of Columbia Board of Barber and Cosmetology (Board) held its monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 2, 2015, at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room E300, Washington, DC. The DC Board held its Public Meeting and Executive Session to discuss new business, applications for licensure, complaints and investigations, and legal counsel recommendations.

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The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Anwar S. Saleem at 10:18 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** - Anwar Saleem, Norah Critzos, Richard DeCarlo, Frances O. French, Raymond Kibler, Tammy Musselwhite, Cynthia Wilkins, Mark Wills, Sharon Young

**Staff Present:** - Cynthia Briggs, Board Administrator, Clifford Cooks, Program Manager, George Batista, Investigator, Andrew Jackson, Board Administrator

**Legal Counsel:** - Kia Winston, Esq.

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**Agenda Item: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Two (2) members from the public attended the meeting and provided comments. Ms. Shobaha Tumala, Shobha business owner provided additional details regarding threading and waxing licensee, proposed educational hours and other states that have similar licenses. After several Board questions, Shoba indicated that she would email the Board an online video demonstrating the threading process. Ms. Shemeika Brown offered comments and asked questions about mobile services. She provided an online website "GlamSquad.com" that provides information about local barber/cosmetology mobile services. The Board collectively indicated that while it does not currently offer licenses for mobile services, it plans to address matter this in the future.

**Agenda Item: ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

Upon a motion duly made by member Norah Critzos, and properly seconded by member Richard DeCarlo, the Board voted unanimously to accept the May 4, 2015 meeting minutes, with noted corrections.

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**Agenda Item: CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW**

- New York Times Articles regarding *Nails/Practitioners/Salons* – emailed to Board Members
- Email from licensee regarding 2015 Practitioners Forum and CE requirements

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**Agenda Item: OLD BUSINESS**

- Online application/submission process –the online application process is scheduled to available on the Board’s website during FY15. The Board will request monthly updates from OPLA.
- CLEAR Conference – New members provided a brief overview about CLEAR Conference
- Board Members discussed mobile threading/waxing services. Member Francis French provided comments, statistics and a handout about waxing, educational hours, testing and other states currently providing waxing licenses. More information will be provided to the Board at its next meetings.

**Agenda Item: NEW BUSINESS**

- The Board discussed the updated NIC tests and examinations and the need to ensure that public/private DC Board and Cosmetology Schools are aware of changes in license examinations.
- Board members discussed electronic and mass public media means to inform practitioners of DC Board legislative updates; curriculum and examination changes; and industry related notices.
- Board asked to look into Twitter, Facebook and other social media outlets as a source to notify barber/cosmetology community.



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**Agenda Item: COMMITTEES**

2015 Practitioners Forum – Board members heard from Norah Critzos, Forum Chair with updates on the 2015 Practitioners Forum. The Board will receive its tasks and duties prior to the Forum.

Body Artists Committee – The Body Artist application and instructions were distributed to Body Art Committee for final review, to prepare to upload to Board’s website for public licensing application and submission.

Education Committee – Committee Chair, Sharon Young discussed the topics at the Education Committee Conference call, to include: 1) Barber/Cosmetology curriculum changes; 2) textbook errors and corrections; 3) ELC/Board combined site visits; 4) practical examinations; and 5) notifying local industry of alerts, legislative updates and other industry related information. The education committee letter was signed by both the Board Chair and Education Committee Chair, and is ready for distribution. The Committee is currently identifying the DC agencies and organizations that will receive the document.

Complaints/Investigations Committee – The Complaints/Investigations Committee and Board Administrator discussed complaints brought forward for Board review.

Rulemaking Committee – The Board has amended several license requirements in its application. The Rulemaking Committee will meet in full session after the Practitioners Forum.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION – CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

**Agenda Item: COMPLAINTS and/or INVESTIGATIONS**

Consumer complaints filed against Cosmetology Salon, African Queens Braiding Salon and Cherkita Ruffin for unlicensed activity – *See Final Recommendations*

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**Agenda Item: REINSTATEMENT and TECHNICAL REVIEW APPLICATIONS**

| <b>REINSTATEMENT APPLICATIONS</b> |                   |                          |                 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Last Name</b>                  | <b>First Name</b> | <b>License Code</b>      | <b>Approved</b> |
| CONTRERAS                         | Eulalio           | COP - REIN               | X               |
| DANG                              | Nicole Thi        | CSP - REIN (Esthetician) | X               |
| HAZIEL                            | Tamara Laketia    | COP - REIN               | X               |
| HENDERSON                         | Sonia M.          | COP - REIN               | X               |
| PHAM                              | Hung Mai          | COP - REIN               | X               |
| PHUNG                             | Lan Kim           | COP - REIN               | X               |
| PLATANIA                          | Victoria A.       | COP - REIN               | X               |
| TERRY                             | Brenda D.         | COP - REIN               | X               |

| <b>TECHNICAL REVIEW – Endorsement and/or Exam Applications</b> |                   |                     |                 |
|--|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Last Name</b>   | <b>First Name</b> | <b>License Code</b> | <b>Approved</b> |
| HAWKINS  | Tashiek T.        | COI - END           | X               |
| PRINGLE  | Angela E.         | BAR – EXAM          | X               |



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**Agenda Item: FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Complaints & Recommendations**

Upon a motion offered by Board Member Raymond Kibler and duly seconded by Member, Richard DeCarlo, the Board voted unanimously to issue Consent Orders, assessing a \$2,000 fine to each the Cosmetology Owner and Designated Manager of African Queen Braiding Salon. Matter also referred to RIS for investigation of unlicensed activity.

The Board voted unanimously to refer complaint of unlicensed activity of DC Cosmetology applicant, Cherkita Ruffin to OPLA investigator to confirm.

Upon a motion offered by Board Member Norah Critzos and second Mark Wills, the Board voted unanimously to approve a motion to postal mail and email the Education Committee Letter to DC agencies, private/public organizations and schools.

**License Applications**

Upon a motion offered by Board Member Norah Critzos and duly seconded by Board Member Sharon Young, the Board moved to approve the Reinstatement applications. The motion passed unanimously.

Upon a motion offered by Board Member Raymond Kibler and duly seconded by Board Member Norah Critzos, the Board moved to approve the Technical Review applications. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned – 1:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Anwar S. Saleem, Chair

7/6/15  
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Date

Recorder: Cynthia Briggs, Board Administrator