



**Department of Licensing and Consumer Protection
Occupational and Professional Licensing
District of Columbia Board of Barber and Cosmetology**

**MEETING MINUTES
May 5, 2025**

The District of Columbia Board of Barber and Cosmetology (Board) held its monthly meeting on **Monday, May 5th, virtually via Zoom Teleconference**. In this Public Meeting and Executive Session, the Board discussed old and new business, regulations, complaints, and investigations.

Dr. Anwar Saleem, Board Chair, called the public meeting to order at **9:20 am** and attendance was taken.

Board Members Present: *Dr. Anwar Saleem (Chair), Mr. Vernon Martin, Dr. Raymond Kibler, Ms. Vonnetta Dumas Jennings, Mr. Jared Scott, Mr. Patrick Guarniere, Ms. Ajia Minnis, Mr. Dennis Smith and Ms. Korie Booker.*

Board Members Absent: *Ms. Mable Carter and Dr. Richard DeCarlo.*

Staff Members Present: *Ms. Kimberly Troxler (Board Administrator), Ms. Nicole McClendon (Program Manager), Ms. Jessica Durden (Paralegal) Mr. Demetrius Norman (Chief Consumer Experience Officer), Ms. Jacqueline Noisette, (Deputy Administrator), Mr. Jatarious Frazier (Policy Analyst), Mr. Kevin Cyrus (Education Coordinator), Ms. Irina Moore (Examination Coordinator), A'layza Mitchell (Program Support Specialist) and Mr. Agustin Villadares (Legal Counsel).*

Staff Members Absent: *April Randall (Legislative Director) and Mr. Terron McAbee (Program Support Specialist).*

Agenda Item: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- **Amanda Morena** – Listening as an observer.
- **Armenetta Housley** – Listening as an observer
- **Thi Ngoc Van Luu** – Listening as an observer
- **Keri Williams** -
- **Cheryl Wilkins** – Listening as an observer
- **Detrick Giles** – Listening as an observer

Agenda Item: EXECUTIVE SESSION – CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

We will now go into executive session, which is closed to the public, in order to consult with our attorneys to seek legal advice; to discuss disciplinary matters; and to deliberate upon decisions in adjudication actions and proceedings, as provided by D.C. Code § 2-575(b)(4)(A), § 2-575(b)(9),



and § 2-575(b)(13). We will resume the public portion of the meeting at the conclusion of the executive session. Please stand by for our return if you are participating online.

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Richard DeCarlo, and properly seconded by Mr. Jared Scott, the Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session via individual roll call.

Agenda Item: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- March 3, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Patrick Guarnier and properly seconded by Mr. Dennis Smith, the Board voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes for April 14, 2025 with corrections, if necessary.

Agenda Item: COMPLAINTS

- None

Agenda Item: CORRESPONDENCE

- None

Agenda Item: BOARD COMMITTEES

- **Legislative Committee to Review Instructor Training Hours** – Ms. Minnis indicated no current updates regarding the Instructor Training Hours recommendations. Suggested the Board begin the discussions of the additional 5 proposals. Mr. Guarnier reminded Dr. Saleem that the Board agreed to schedule a time to review each of the remaining proposals individually as opposed to trying to cover them all during the regular Board meeting. Dr. Saleem suggested sending out a poll to determine when it would be a good time to meet.
- **Education Committee**
 - **Forum Volunteers** – Dr. Saleem has requested volunteers for assistance at both upcoming forums.
 - 2025 Instructor Forum, May 19th – Education Coordinator, Mr. Kevin Cyrus shared the final draft of the agenda with the Board. It will now move to the Comms team for final printing.
 - 2025 CE Forum – June 16th – Ms. Minnis sent over a draft agenda. She was able to enlist another speaker, Adria Marshall, Owner & Founder of EcoSlay. She will speak on plant-based trends and products. Mr. Scott has been working with Wella to secure someone for a breakout session. Wella has agreed to products. Dr. Saleem will receive the donations. Staff will determine a date to bag the donated items. Mr. Marting will confirm if Diane Cole Stevens is available to teach a breakout session.



Agenda Item: OLD BUSINESS

- **Financial Disclosure Filing Requirement** – Dr. Saleem reminded Board members that the deadline for the FDS filing is May 15th. There are resources on the BEGA website to assist filers. Contact Ms. Troxler for assistance.

Agenda Item: NEW BUSINESS

- None

Agenda Item: REPORTS

- Exam Committee – Ms. Moore presented the Practical Examination Summary Reports for April 2025.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Patrick Guarniere and properly seconded by Mr. Jared Scott, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Practical Examination Summary Reports for April 2025.

Agenda Item: RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Application for BAR*****183** – Per legal counsel, because the applicant did not take the exam within 2 years of applying for the apprentice license. Therefore, he is not eligible to take the exam.

Agenda Item: ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting Ended at **10:30 am**

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Patrick Guarniere Jennings and properly seconded by Ms. Aija Minnis, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Anwar Saleem

Dr. Anwar Saleem, Board Chair

6/2/2025

Date

Minutes Recorded & Prepared by: Ms. Kimberly Troxler, DLCP/OPL Board Administrator