



## Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS  
TO THE BOARD

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
Board of Barber and Cosmetology  
1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Room E500, Washington, DC 20024  
Via Webex  
Monday, November 2, 2020  
Meeting Minutes**

The District of Columbia Board of Barber and Cosmetology (Board) held its monthly meeting on Monday, November 2, 2020 at 1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Teleconference, Washington, DC 2004. In this Public Meeting and Executive Session, the Board discussed old and new business, applications for licensure, complaints and investigations. This monthly Board meeting was held via the WebEx Events format.

Anwar Saleem, Board Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:27 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** Anwar Saleem, Richard DeCarlo, Eric Doyle, Kandace Murray, Mable Carter, Mark Wills, Nanita Wilson, Vonetta Dumas and Jared M. Scott

**Staff Present:** Cynthia Briggs, *Program Manager*; Nicole McClendon, *Program Coordinator for Boards and Commissions*; George Batista, *Investigator*; Kevin Cyrus, *Education Coordinator*; Patrice Richardson, *Program Manager*; S. Skip Brown, *Board Administrator*

**Legal Counsel:** Marc Nielsen, Esq.

**Board Members Absent:** Sharon A. Young, Raymond Kibler, Erwin Gomez, and Isaac Colon

**Staff Members Absent:** Andrew Jackson, Board Administrator

### **Agenda Item: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

- Both Ashley Taylor and Dante Brown expressed concerns about the impact of the health pandemic that is causing economic hardship, and they inquired about any assistance that the Board could offer. Further, Mr. Brown inquired about the likelihood of Mobile Barbering occurring in the city.
- Both Diane Stevens and Kerry Williams inquired about the Managers License and issues experienced regarding the Designated Manager requirement with DOH for a salon to operate when the Designated Manager is not present. There was an inquiry about obtaining minutes, and the CEU requirements as well.



Chairman Saleem indicated that some assistance is available from the Department of Small and Local Business Development and Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development. Also, that there should be follow-up with Board Administrator Brown to obtain additional information. The Chairman encouraged the public members to consider forming an association that could advocate for the interest of licensees and owners. The BEGA website was offered to obtain the minutes as well.

#### **Agenda Item: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Upon a motion duly made by member Richard DeCarlo, and properly seconded by member Eric Doyle, the Board voted unanimously to approve the October 5, 2020 meeting minutes.

#### **Agenda Item: CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW**

- No correspondence.

#### **Agenda Item: OLD BUSINESS**

- Mobile Salon Strategies Feedback: Board Members expressed favorable comments for instituting mobile barbering and that there needs to be efforts to ensure safeguards are in place for its implementation. It was further stated that due to the health pandemic, further research needs to be completed and its implementation would likely occur when the health pandemic ends. The Chairman recommended that there should be further meetings to identify all the key issues and developing criteria for its implementation.
- Temporary Body Artist Application Updates: Program Coordinator Nicole McClendon informed the Board that the application is available online. Additionally, that the Occupational and Professional Licensing Administration (OPLA) is working with a new vendor to make improvements. Board Member Eric Doyle expressed concerns about the issues with its online usability and the length of time of its implementation, which could encourage noncompliance activity.

#### **Agenda Item: NEW BUSINESS**

- Proposed 2021 Meeting Dates: Board Administrator Brown announced the proposed 2021 Board meetings dates for Board Members consideration.

Upon a motion duly made by member Richard DeCarlo, and properly seconded by member Eric Doyle, the Board voted unanimously to approve the 2021 meeting dates.

- DC Health Draft Cosmetology Regulations Meeting Monday November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2pm: The Chairman announced that there will be a combined meeting with the Department of Health (DOH) staff, Board Chairman and DCRA's OPLA staff, to deal with the Designated Manager and the Mop Sink issues.
- Mop/Slop Sink: Board Members provided discussion centered around the regulations being outdated and causing an undue financial burden for reconstruction to achieve compliance. Additional comments were made regarding the constraints experienced by the DOH regulations. It was agreed that a Committee would be created to review DOH's Mop Sink regulations and report back to the Board about its findings and recommendations.



**Agenda Item: COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- No Committees reported.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

Upon motion duly made by member Richard DeCarlo, and properly seconded by member, Eric Doyle, the Board unanimously voted to enter into closed session pursuant to the authority of D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b) (4) (A) to seek the advice of counsel, D.C. Official Code Section 2-575(b) (9) to discuss disciplinary matters, and D.C. Official Code Section 2-775(b) (13) to deliberate upon a decision in an adjudication action or proceeding.

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

- *Complaint – Ryisha Bullock vs. Dazzle’s Hair Salon:*

Based on an investigation, there was a finding that unlicensed activity occurred.

Upon a motion duly made by member Richard DeCarlo, and properly seconded by Board member Eric Doyle, the Board voted unanimously to fine the owner/manager \$500 for the infraction of hiring an unlicensed individual.

The Chairman directed that after service of the fine, that there should be a reinspection within 45 days.

Upon a motion duly made by member Richard DeCarlo, and properly seconded by member Mark Wills, the Board voted unanimously to refer the unlicensed activity by the Nail Technician to the Consumer Protection Unit.

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

- No applications for the Board’s consideration.

**Agenda Item: FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS**

- No final recommendation/actions were offered.



**Agenda Item: ADJORNMENT**

- The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for **Monday, December 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

*Anwar S. Saleem*

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Anwar S. Saleem, Chair   Date: 12/7/2020  
Prepared by: S. Skip Brown, Board Administrator