



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

**MEETING MINUTES
Monday, September 11, 2023**

The District of Columbia Board of Barber and Cosmetology (Board) held its monthly meeting on **Monday, September 11th, at 1100 4th Street, SW, via Teleconference, Washington, DC 20024**. In this Public Meeting and Executive Session, the Board discussed old and new business, regulations, complaints, and investigations. This monthly Board meeting was held with Board Members in person and the public via the WebEx Event platform.

Dr. Anwar Saleem, Board Chair, called the public meeting to order at **10:24 a.m.** and attendance was taken.

Board Members Present: *Dr. Anwar Saleem (Chair), Dr. Richard DeCarlo, Ms. Vonetta Dumas-Jennings, Mr. Patrick Guarniere, Mr. Vernon Martin, Dr. Raymond Kibler, Mr. Mark Wills, Mr. David Cavalcante*

Board Members Absent: *Mr. Jared Scott, Ms. Mable Carter, Ms. Nanita Wilson*

Staff Present: *Ms. Kimberly Troxler (Program Specialist), M. Nicole McClendon (Program Manager), Mark Nielsen (Legal Counsel)*

Staff Members Absent: *Ms. Harriett Broadie (Deputy Administrator), Ms. Jacqueline Noisette (Assistant Deputy Administrator), Kevin Cyrus (Education Coordinator)*

Agenda Item: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- **Brionna** – Wanted to know if there were any updates/changes in the Regs. Ms. Troxler responded, no current changes to the Regs, and provided a link to the DCMR website in the chat.
- **Mark Frances, DOH, Division of Community Hygiene** – Keeping up to date with rules, regulations & changes within the cosmetology boards.
- **Dante B.** – Wanted to know if there were any updates concerning Mobile Barbering in DC. Chairman Saleem responded that we're still working on this; no new updates. Reiterated that mobile barbering pertains to having a physical vehicle (mobile barbering unit) and not going to someone's house to provide in-home barbering services.
- **Denise Lucas, DOH, Division of Community Hygiene** – Available to answer any question related to health & hygiene.
- **K. Haynes** – Missed the CE Forum in June, and wanted to know if there were any updates/changes. Ms. Troxler responded that there are no current changes.

- **Terasita Edwards, Higher Education License Commission (HELC)** – Introduced herself as the new point of contact. Ms. Dorothy Thomas is retiring. Attending in case there are any questions regarding Post Secondary Education for Barber/Cosmetology schools and to stay abreast of any changes.
- **Anthony Scerbo, Office of Open Government** – Here to monitor the meeting.

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 Ms. Vonetta Dumas-Jennings, the Board voted to unanimously enter Executive Session. Board Administrator, Ms. Kimberly Troxler, asked each attending member to declare their vote to enter Executive session.

Agenda Item: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- July 3rd Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Vonetta Dumas-Jennings, and properly seconded by Mr. Patrick Guarniere, the Board voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes for July 3rd, 2023.

Agenda Item: COMPLAINTS

- **Dry Bar, 1825 Wisconsin Ave NW** – Unsanitary & Unfavorable working conditions.
Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Vernon Martin, and properly seconded by Mr. Mark Wills, the Board voted unanimously to recommend this complaint to the Consumer Protection Unit (CPU).
- **Mirror Mi Hair Salon , 470 L'Enfant Plaza Center, Phenix Suite 121** – Regulation Violations (Octavia Barr)
Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Vonetta Dumas-Jennings, and properly seconded by Mr. Patrick Guarniere, the Board voted unanimously to recommend this complaint to the Consumer Protection Unit (CPU) and the Department of Health (DOH).
- **PR@Partners Salon 5225 Wisconsin NW, Suite 104** – Unprofessional Conduct
Refer complainant to Salon management/customer service.

Agenda Item: CORRESPONDENCE

- None



Agenda Item: BOARD COMMITTEES

- None

Agenda Item: OLD BUSINESS

- NABBA Conference, September 16th, Harrisonburg, PA – Chairman Saleem, Mr. Will, and Ms. McClendon will be attending the conference this year.
- NIC Conference, October, Albuquerque, NM – Ms. McClendon has prepared the travel packages for those who will be attending the conference as follows: Chairman Saleem, Dr. DeCarlo, Mr. Martin, Ms. Troxler, and Ms. McClendon. Ms. Dumas-Jennings indicated that she thought she had signed up to attend. She and Ms. McClendon will confer after the meeting to complete that arrangement.
- H Street Festival, September 15th – Chairman Saleem stated that 2 mobile barbering units will be on display at the Festival to showcase the future of barbering. The DLCP Small Business Resource Center (SBRC) will have an information booth set up to assist festival attendees with licensing and regulatory questions.

Agenda Item: NEW BUSINESS

- Vote of Confidence – For Dr. Rashan Broadnax, to acknowledge the work and outstanding service he has provided as an administrator for the DC Board of Barber & Cosmetology.
Upon a motion duly made by Ms. Vonetta Dumas-Jennings, and properly seconded by Mr. Vernon Martin, the Board voted unanimously to support a vote of confidence for Dr. Rashan Broadnax in a letter to the DLCP Acting Director, Ms. Tiffany Crowe.

Agenda Item: RECOMMENDATIONS

- None

Agenda Item: ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting ended at **11:32 am.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Anwar Saleem, Board Chair

Date

Minutes Recorded & Prepared by: Ms. Kimberly Troxler, DLCP/OPL Program Specialist