



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

**MEETING MINUTES
Monday, May 6, 2024**

The District of Columbia Board of Barber and Cosmetology (Board) held its monthly meeting on **Monday, April 1st, virtually via Webex 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 **10:10 a.m.** and attendance was taken.

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

Board Members Absent: *Dr. Richard DeCarlo, Ms. Mable Carter, Ms. Nanita Wilson*

Staff Present: *Ms. Nicole McClendon (Program Manager), Ms. Jacqueline Noisette (Assistant Deputy Administrator), Mr. Mark Nielsen (Legal Counsel), Mr. Kevin Cyrus (Education Coordinator), Irina Moore (Exam Coordinator), Ms. Kimberly Troxler (Board Administrator), Jatarious Frazier (Policy Analyst), Ms. David Selman (Chief of Staff), Mr. Terron McAbee (Program Support Specialist)*

Staff Members Absent: *Ms. Harriett Broadie (Deputy Administrator)*

Agenda Item: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- **Abril Porter** – No comment.
- **Aicha Djojo** – No comment.
- **Anthony Scerbo (BEGA)** – No comment.
- **Crystal Jones** – Questions about Barbicide certificate. Referred to Kevin Cyrus.
- **Edward Norris** – Question about becoming a board member. Referred to MOTA.
- **Marc Francis (DOH)** – No comment.
- **Maia Turner (HELC)** – No comment.
- **Zee** – Question about opening a school. Referred to OSSE.
- **Taurus Phillips** – No comment.

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 Vernon Martin, and properly seconded by Mr. Jared Scott, the Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session.

Agenda Item: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- April 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes
 - *Upon a motion duly made by Patrick Guarnier, and properly seconded by Mr. Vernon Martin, the Board voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes for April 1, 2024.*

Agenda Item: COMPLAINTS

- None.

Agenda Item: CORRESPONDENCE

- None

Agenda Item: Board Committees

- **Instructors Forum Follow-Up/Recap** – The forum was successful. There were about 70 attendees. Mr. Chet Bennett rolled out the red carpet for the event. He provided the space and a catered lunch for the attendees when they arrived. The participation was high level. The feedback has been positive. Chairman Saleem indicated that the Board should do more of that kind of training.
- **Annual CE Forum Update** – The MOU is ready to be signed. The event is scheduled for Monday, June 17th at the Martin Luther King Library from 8am – 4pm. The Board needs to vote on the theme “Moving Forward”. The Committee Chairs Patrick Guarniere and Vernon Martin are still in the process of finalizing presenters and honorees. The committee is scheduled to meet on Wednesday, May 8th at 3pm.

Agenda Item: OLD BUSINESS

- **New Examiner Update** – Tabled
- **NIC 69th Annual Conference** – Registration is now open. Those board members who are planning to attend need to confirm with Kimberly Troxler. Hotel rooms are open for reservations.

Agenda Item: NEW BUSINESS

- **Changes to NIC Exam** - NIC examiners were sent a letter notifying them of recent changes to the Barber, Barber Styling and Barber 1 (No Chemical) exams effective April 30, 2024. The specification can be found in the Candidate Information Bulletins (CIBs) on the NIC website.



- **New License Recommendations** – Patrick and Vernon are awaiting a meeting with April Randall (Legislative Director) for research and guidance. Nicole McClendon indicated that she would reach out to April to assist with scheduling the meeting.
- **NIC Spring Virtual Conference** – It was held on Saturday, April 27th, from noon-3pm. Topics included the 150% Rule and Its Impact to Schools, a NIC National Database demonstration, and the current status of Gainful Employment. It was attended by Chairman Saleem, Nicole McClendon and Kimberly Troxler. Kimberly provided a link to the webinar to the Board Members.

Agenda Item: Reports

- Exam Committee – presented the Practical Examination Summary Report for May 2024.

Upon a motion duly made by Dr. Richard DeCarlo, and properly seconded by Mr. Mark Wills, the Board voted unanimously to approve the March Practical Exam Summary Report.

Agenda Item: APPLICATIONS

- Steven Gayles – Piercer
- Kelvin Cardwell - Barber

Agenda Item: RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Application Approval for Steven Gayles (Body Artist - Piercer) and Kelvin Cardwell (Barber).**

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Vernon Martin, and properly seconded by Mr. Jared Scott, the Board voted unanimously to invoke a temporary hold on instructor licensure by endorsement until the next Board meeting.

Agenda Item: ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting ended at **11:25** am.

Respectfully submitted,

Anwar Saleem

Dr. Anwar Saleem, Board Chair

June 3, 2024

Date

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