Cosmetologists' Board Meeting

Monday, December 2, 2019

A meeting of the State Board of Cosmetologists was held on Monday, December 2, 2019 in the 3rd floor conference room at the Department of Labor building located at 500 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

Board Member Attendees

Mr. Charles Riser, Chairman

Ms. Rachel Allen, Cosmetologist Member

Ms. Tammy Ehrbaker, Cosmetologist Member

Ms. Danielle Anderson, Consumer Member

Ms. Nakia Dedmon, Cosmetologist Member

Other Attendees

Ms. Erica Lewis, Executive Director

Mr. Christopher Hawkins, Assistant Executive Director

Mr. Eric London, Assistant Attorney General

Ms. Nicole Fletcher, Board Administrator

Not Present

Ms. Berthel Tate, Consumer Member

Agenda

Quorum Announced and Meeting Called to Order—Chairperson

A quorum was announced and the meeting was called to order at 10:14 AM by Mr. Charles Riser, Chairman.

Approval of Agenda

Chairman Riser asked for a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Ms. Nakia Dedmon made a motion, and the motion was seconded by Ms. Rachel Allen. The amended agenda was approved.

Approval of November 4, 2019 Minutes

The minutes of the November 4, 2019 meeting were reviewed by the Board. A motion was made by Ms. Tammy Ehrbaker to approve the minutes with amendments and seconded by Ms. Dedmon. The motion unanimously passed.

New Business

Informal Conferences

Phuong Le petitioned the Board to restart her Nail Technician apprenticeship. Ms. Le advised the Board that she became pregnant and could not finish the program. The Board indicated that if Ms. Le was allowed to restart the apprenticeship program, she would be required to attend the apprentice orientation class. Chairman Riser asked for a motion to approve Ms. Le to restart the Nail Technician apprenticeship program. Ms. Ehrbaker made a motion and Ms. Dedmon seconded, the motion unanimously passed.

Curriculum Approval

Mr. Christopher Hawkins, Assistant Executive Director, advised that Snob Nails sought Curriculum Approval from the Board. Mr. Hawkins advised that Snob Nails would educate nail technicians. Mr. Hawkins advised the Board that the curriculum was approved and sent to the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

Old Business

Sanitation Requirements COMAR 09.22.02.06 B (17)

Executive Director Erica Lewis advised the Board that she needs direction from the Board regarding the sanitation requirement of COMAR 09.22.02.06B (17) discussed at the last meeting. Executive Director Lewis suggested that the language in the regulation could be changed from "shall" to "may" or the regulations could be removed. After discussion by the Board, Chairman Riser asked for a motion to advise Executive Director Lewis to draft a concept sheet to remove COMAR 09.22.02.06 B (17) from the regulations. Ms. Anderson made a motion and Ms. Dedmon seconded, the motion unanimously passed.

Lash Services

Executive Director Lewis advised the Board that Eyelash services will not be addressed until after this legislative session. Mr. Riser introduced the topic of reinstating the makeup license, which would include a subcategory of eyelash application. He further advised that the makeup curriculum is only ninety (90) hours. The Board advised that the topic will be further discussed at the February meeting.

Inspection Report

Executive Director Lewis advised that she has begun the process to hire a new licensing supervisor and five new per diem inspectors. She also advised that new shops will be issued a 25-day letter in place of the current 45-day letter, as a temporary license. Her goal is to inspect shops in a timely manner, where only a 10-day letter will be necessary.

Complaint Committee Review

Executive Director Lewis advised that salons with minor violations will be dismissed with a re-inspection. She noted that there were 10 salons that had expired licenses or had no license. Ms. Lewis noted that half of those salons will be issued consent orders and the other half with need to come before the Board for a formal hearing.

Mobile Salons

Ms. Lewis informed the Board that a paper application for Mobile Salons is now accessible on the Board's website.

Continuing Education

Executive Director Lewis advised that she has begun the hiring process for a continuing education coordinator. She noted that the Board is not in a position to begin accepting vendors or providers for continuing education hours.

Public Comment

Kelly Conner

Ms. Kelly Conner, a licensed cosmetologist, proposed the Board consider allowing licensed professionals to provide services for proms and other events at the locations of those events. The Board indicated that the law and regulations do not allow for her request.

Monica Wimbush

Ms. Monica Wimbush, a licensed esthetician, expressed her frustration that she is ineligible for the Mobile Salon license that was recently made available to the industry.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss or to present before the Board, Chairman Riser asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Dedmon made this motion, and it was seconded by Ms. Ehrbaker. The motion unanimously passed, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.

APPROVED BY:

on February 3, 2020.