I. General Information

Meeting Type: General Business
Meeting Date: Sunday, February 4, 2007, and Monday, February 5, 2007
Meeting Location: The Florida Hotel and Conference Center
1500 Sand Lake Road
Orlando, Florida 32809

Attendees:
Peter “Dave” Magda, Chair
Herman White, Vice Chair
Roland Bordelon
Robert Collins
Jeri Scott
Holly Benson, Secretary, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Andy Edwards, Deputy Secretary of Professional Regulation, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Michael Martinez, Deputy General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Joy Tootle, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Legal Affairs
Charles Tunnicliff, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Tiffany Harrington, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Dana Ewaldt, Government Analyst, Department of Business and Professional Regulation
Sherry Mason, Court Reporter
Tiera Biesinger, Associate Director for Corporate Relations, J. Silny & Associates, Inc.
Letty Milazzo, ASM Beauty World Academy
Lynda Calcano, International Services
Tom Castiglia, Barber Examiner - Trainee

II. Major Issues/Actions

• Ms. Tiera Biesinger, Associate Director for Corporate Relations of J. Silny & Associates, Inc., gave a presentation which detailed credentialing services they current provide for other professions such as the Board of Accountancy and the Board of Nursing. Ms. Biesinger provided the board with information J. Silny & Associates, Inc., could verify for potential barbering applicants.

• The board suggested the Division of Regulation target Miami-area flea markets for unlicensed activity sweeps and stings. Ms. Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, will inform the Division of Regulation of the board’s suggested target areas.
Ms. Barineau informed the board that Ms. Holly Benson was appointed by Governor Crist as the Secretary of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. Ms. Barineau added that Secretary Benson comes to the department with a vast knowledge of state government and is a former legislator from the panhandle. Ms. Barineau indicated that the department is thrilled with her appointment, and we look forward to working with her.

Ms. Barineau informed the board that their September 30, 2006, operating account balance was $1,499,732 and their unlicensed activity account balance was $175,140. Ms. Barineau also reviewed their five-year projections for their operating and unlicensed activity accounts.

Ms. Barineau advised the board that the department is still attempting to address the board member vacancy situation and is seeking assistance from boards to assist with locating qualified applicants to fill vacancies on all its boards and commissions. Ms. Barineau suggested that interested applicants contact the department or the Governor's Appointments Office for a Gubernatorial Appointments Questionnaire.

Ms. Joy Tootle, Assistant Attorney General, provided the board with a proposed amendment to their endorsement rule, Rule 61G3-16.005, Florida Administrative Code. The amendment mirrors the board's statute requiring 1,200 hours of education for Florida students, covering the following subjects: safety, sanitation and sterilization; hair structure and chemistry; hair cutting; shampooing; chemical services; and shaving, or an apprenticeship of 1,200 hours, or a combination thereof. The amendment also requires that for purposes of demonstrating that the applicant has met endorsement requirements, the applicant must provide the board with a foreign education evaluation conducted by a credential evaluation service that is a member of the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services. The board approved the amendment and Ms. Tootle will move forward with rule development.

The board agreed to discuss amending the endorsement application fee at the next board meeting.

Ms. Barineau discussed the report provided by Ms. Lyra Erath of the Bureau of Education and Testing. The board was pleased with Ms. Erath’s continued attempts at securing a South Florida examination site and that she will soon be reviewing all the barber written examination items for possible revisions. The board asked if Ms. Erath could inform the schools that the written examination is based upon the latest version of the Milady’s barbering textbook.

Chair Magda indicated that some of the topics at the National Association of Barber Boards of America annual conference have included barber poles, discipline of licensees who are convicted sexual predators, and recognition of National Barbers Week. Based on the board’s direction, Chair Magda will obtain other states’ information regarding these issues and bring it back to the board for further discussion at a later meeting.

Chair Magda reminded the board that the National Association of Barber Boards of America will conduct their 2007 annual conference in Orlando, and he has asked that additional funds be incorporated into the board’s 2007 travel plan to allow all board members and staff to attend this conference, since it will likely not be held again in Florida for many years. Chair Magda asked Ms. Barineau to research whether or not funds can be expended from the board’s budget to place an advertisement in the conference program welcoming all attendees to Florida. The board requested that Ms. Barineau, Director of Professions Tim Vaccaro, and, if available, Secretary Benson, give some welcoming remarks at the conference. Ms. Barineau asked that she be provided with dates for welcoming remarks. The board will also contact the Orlando
Chamber of Commerce, the Orlando Mayor, and possible legislators to address the convention attendees.

- Ms. Tiffany Harrington, Assistant General Counsel, informed the board that there are currently 45 barbering cases in the Office of the General Counsel.
- Secretary Benson addressed the Florida Barbers’ Board and thanked them for the opportunity to speak to them. She added that Governor Crist is committed to improving customer service and the department echoes his commitment. Secretary Benson offered her assistance to the board and suggested that should they have any questions or suggestions for improving customer service, they should contact her. Chair Magda thanked her for attending and expressed his desire for her assistance with future legislative initiatives such as an internship program.
- The board agreed to conduct future meetings on the following dates, at the following locations:
  Monday, May 7, 2007 – Ft. Lauderdale
  Sunday, September 16, 2007 – Orlando (in conjunction with the 2007 National Association of Barber Boards of America conference)
  Monday, November 18, 2007 - Tampa

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- Ms. Tootle will proceed with development of Rule 61G3-16.005, Florida Administrative Code, relating to endorsement requirements.
- Ms. Tootle will open Rule 61G3-20.002, Florida Administrative Code, for discussion of amending the endorsement fee at the next board meeting.

IV. Action Required

- Ms. Barineau will advise the Division of Regulation that the board suggests they target Miami-based flea markets for unlicensed activity stings and sweeps.
- Ms. Barineau will inquire if Ms. Erath can notify all barbering schools that the written examination is based upon the latest version of the Milady’s barbering textbook.
- Chair Magda will contact other states regarding their discussion and actions taken on the following topics and bring this information back to the board for discussion at a later date: barber poles, discipline of licensees who are convicted sexual predators, and recognition of National Barbers Week.
- Ms. Barineau will research whether or not board funds can be expended on an advertisement in the National Association of Barber Boards of America conference program.
- The board asked Ms. Barineau to extend an invitation to Director of Professions Tim Vaccaro and Secretary Benson to address the attendees of the 2007 National Association of Barber Boards of America conference in September.
- Mr. Tunnicliff and Ms. Tootle will prepare all final orders and forward to board staff for filing with the Agency Clerk.

Robyn Barineau
Executive Director
February 9, 2007