

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Florida Barbers' Board

I. General Information

Meeting Type: General Business
Meeting Date: Monday, February 25, 2008
Meeting Location: Hilton - Ocala
3600 S.W. 36th Avenue
Ocala, Florida 34474

Attendees:

Herman White, Chair

Robert Collins

Jeri Scott

Carl Troup, Vice Chair

Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, Department of Business and Professional Regulation

Bill Oglo, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Legal Affairs

Elizabeth Duffy, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel,
Department of Business and Professional Regulation

Dana Ewaldt, Government Analyst, Department of Business and Professional Regulation

Dwayne Thompson, Barberz Zone, Inc.

Maura Scali-Sheahan

Carol Day, Court Reporter

Other Interested Parties

II. Major Issues/Actions

- The board considered 19 out-of-country endorsement applications and 11 disciplinary cases.
- Ms. Elizabeth Duffy, Assistant General Counsel, informed the board that there are 60 barbering cases in the Office of the General Counsel as of February 6, 2008.
- Mr. Dwayne Thompson, Barberz Zone, Inc., addressed the board regarding their barber kiosks and whether or not the kiosk would meet the minimum criteria as a Florida barbershop. Mr. Bill Oglo, Assistant Attorney General, informed Mr. Thompson that the board could issue a non-binding informal opinion or he could request a formal declaratory statement. Mr. Thompson advised the board that the kiosks are designed to grow the barbering industry in the United States. He added that these kiosks are slated to go into Home Depot, Sears, Kmart and Mens Warehouse in states where they are approved. The current square footage of the kiosks is 64 square but a 144 square foot kiosk will be available in the future. Mr. Thompson added that the kiosks have hot and cold running water, the dome of the kiosk is removable, and the kiosk is not designed to have

a waiting area. Barberz Zone, Inc., hopes to have 200 open kiosks by the end of 2008. After Mr. Thompson's presentation, the board agreed that all members should compare this concept against the current barbershop rules and bring their concerns back for discussion at the May board meeting.

- Ms. Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, informed the board that their December 31, 2007, operating account balance was \$1,450,612 and their unlicensed activity account balance was \$216,486. Ms. Barineau also reviewed their five-year projections for their operating and unlicensed activity accounts. She reminded the board of the upcoming fee holiday and that all individual license renewal fees at the 2008 license renewal will be waived with the exception of the \$5 unlicensed activity fee as required by law.
- Mr. Oglo mentioned that Vice Chair Carl Troup had previously spoken with several employees in the Tampa Bureau of Investigative Services Regional Office who suggested that the supervised practice exception rule be more narrowly defined. There are currently no specific time parameters set forth in the rule as to how long a student can work after the completion of an examination. Mr. Oglo agreed to amend the supervised practice exception rule and provide his draft at the next meeting for discussion.
- Vice Chair Troup expressed his thought that all out-of-country barber applicants should take a Florida laws and rules examination to be familiar with the board's laws and rules. Mr. Oglo will research whether or not the board has the authority to require an examination for these applicants.
- The board agreed to send the following individuals to the National Association of Barber Boards of American annual meeting in Washington, D.C.:
 - Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, Florida Barbers' Board
 - Herman White, Chair, Florida Barbers' Board
 - Carl Troup, Vice Chair, Florida Barbers' Board
 - Jeri Scott, Member, Florida Barbers' BoardThe meeting will be conducted in September 2008. Ms. Barineau reminded the board of the current budget reductions and indicated she would let them know at the next meeting of the number of individuals which would be authorized to attend.
- Ms. Barineau reminded the board of the following meeting dates and locations:
 - Monday, May 19, 2008, 9 a.m. – Orlando, Florida
 - Monday, August 18, 2008, 9 a.m. – Ft. Lauderdale, Florida
 - Monday, November 3, 2008, 9 a.m. – Orlando, Florida

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- There was no legislation or rule promulgation.

IV. Action Required

- Ms. Duffy and Mr. Oglo will prepare all final orders and forward them to board staff for filing with the department's Agency Clerk.

- The board agreed that all members should compare the barber kiosk concept against the current barbershop rules and bring their concerns back for discussion at the May board meeting.
- Mr. Oglo will draft proposed amendments to the supervised practice exception rule for discussion at the next meeting.
- Mr. Oglo will research whether or not the board has the authority to require out of country endorsement applicants to take a Florida laws and rules examination.
- At the next meeting, Ms. Barineau will inform the board of the number of individuals that will be authorized to attend the September 2008 National Association of Barber Boards of America annual meeting in Washington, D.C.

Robyn Barineau
Executive Director
February 28, 2008