

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Florida Barbers' Board

I. General Information

Meeting Type: General Business Meeting
Meeting Date: Monday, May 21, 2012
Meeting Location: Marriott Residence Inn Amelia Island
2301 Sadler Road
Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034

Attendees:

Herman White, Chair

Tommy Vaughn, Vice Chair

Bill Gilbert

Andrew Raines

Julie Rivera

Eddie Stewart

Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR)

Rachel Clark, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

Julie Rowland, Government Analyst, DBPR

Dustin Metz, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, DBPR

Loretta McDonald, Court Reporter

Other Interested Parties

II. Major Issues/Actions

- Chair Herman White welcomed Mr. Bill Gilbert to the Florida Barbers' Board.
- The board approved one licensure application and denied seven licensure applications.
- The board approved one continuing education course application.
- The board considered 21 disciplinary cases.
- Mr. Dustin Metz, Assistant General Counsel, provided a report that indicated that as of April 20, 2012, there were 35 private and 36 public barber cases in the legal section.
- Ms. Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, reported that the board's operating account balance at December 31, 2011, was over \$617,000, and the unlicensed activity account balance for the same period was over \$293,000. She added that the Department projects that these two accounts will maintain a positive cash balance at least through June 30, 2016.
- Ms. Barineau reported that Secretary Ken Lawson will be present for the November board meeting in Tampa.
- Ms. Barineau encouraged board members to utilize the state contract with AVIS when driving to a board meeting rather than board members driving their personal vehicles to a meeting.
- The board discussed the upcoming annual conference of the National Association of Barber Boards of America in Louisville, Kentucky. The board asked Ms. Barineau to seek approval for as many members to attend as possible. She suggested that the

Department may possibly mirror last year's request to send two representatives and provide a lump sum allotment to split between the remaining members. She will get back with the board on the funds authorization.

- Ms. Barineau informed the board of several upcoming legislative changes including the military fee waiver, the authority for the Department to approve continuing education providers and courses, only one period of continuing education required to reactivate an inactive license, and the requirement for email addresses.
- Ms. Rachel Clark, Assistant Attorney General, informed the board that the rules they previously agreed to repeal should be effective very soon.
- Attorney David Lipscomb addressed the board about their position on out-of-country endorsement applicants. He added that the board does not define "out-of-country license" and he contends that some countries indicate that upon graduation, a diploma is considered authorization to work. He provided a definition of "license" from the Merriam Webster dictionary. He indicated he will soon be filing out-of-country endorsement applications for individuals who are seeking a Florida license. These applications will include a notarized statement from the respective jurisdictions indicating that diplomas are considered licenses. Ms. Clark read Section 476.144(5), Florida Statutes, which states: The board shall adopt rules specifying procedures for the licensure by endorsement of practitioners desiring to be licensed in this state who hold a current active license in another state or country and who have met qualifications substantially similar to, equivalent to, or greater than the qualifications required of applicants of this state.
- Ms. Barineau informed the board of the following meeting dates and locations:
 - August 13, 2012 – Panama City Beach
 - November 5, 2012 – Tampa
 - February 4, 2013 – Orlando
 - May 6, 2013 – Daytona Beach.

III. Legislation/Rule Promulgation

- There was no legislative or rule promulgation action.

IV. Action Required

- Ms. Clark will prepare final orders from this meeting for filing with the Agency Clerk's Office.
- Ms. Barineau will inform the board of the funds distribution to attend the annual conference of the National Association of Barber Boards of America.

Robyn Barineau
Executive Director
May 23, 2012