

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **Board of Cosmetology**

#### **I. General Information**

Meeting Type: General Business Meeting  
Meeting Date: Monday, October 24, 2011, and  
Tuesday, October 25, 2011  
Meeting Location: Ocala Hilton  
3600 S.W. 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Ocala, Florida 34474

#### Attendees:

Myra Jowers, Chair  
Ginny Fincel, Vice Chair  
Crystal Lackey  
Laurel Ritenbaugh  
Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, Department of Business and Professional  
Regulation (DBPR)  
Rachel Clark, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General  
Kathleen Brown-Blake, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel,  
DBPR  
Julie Rowland, Government Analyst, DBPR  
Gus Ashoo, Bureau of Education and Testing (BET), DBPR  
Alex Bosque, BET, DBPR  
Bonnie Poole, Florida Cosmetology Association  
Courtney Wear, Court Reporter  
Sandie Sheppard, Court Reporter  
Other Interested Parties

#### **II. Major Issues/Actions**

- The board considered 56 disciplinary cases.
- Ms. Kathleen Brown-Blake, Assistant General Counsel, reported that as of September 28, 2011, there were 331 cosmetology cases in the legal section.
- The board approved nine licensure applications and denied 24 licensure applications.
- The board approved two initial HIV/AIDS course applications, approved ten continuing education course applications, denied two continuing education course applications, approved four body wrapping course applications, denied four body wrapping course applications, approved eight hair braiding course applications, denied two hair braiding course applications, approved four hair braiding course application, and denied one hair braiding course application.
- The board again discussed the recent United States Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) alert relating to hair smoothing and straightening products which could release formaldehyde. Ms. Robyn Barineau, Executive Director, inform the board that the OSHA alert was

placed on the board's website for information. They will continue to monitor this issue.

- The board asked that the Frequently Asked Questions be updated to inform licensees that alcohol cannot be used as a disinfectant. Ms. Barineau will also include this information in the next available newsletter.
- Ms. Barineau reported that the board's operating account balance at June 30, 2011, was over \$1.3 million, and the unlicensed activity account balance for the same period was over \$1.4 million. She added that the Department projects that these two accounts will maintain a positive cash balance at least through June 30, 2016.
- Ms. Crystal Lackey asked that the board consider requiring repeat sanitation and safety offenders to complete a course on sanitation and safety as part of their disciplinary penalty. Ms. Rachel Clark, Assistant Attorney General, will research this issue and determine if there is statutory/rule authority to require such a course.
- The board asked that discussion of a national examination be included on the January 2012 agenda.
- Ms. Barineau informed the board of the following meeting dates and locations:
  - January 23 and 24, 2012 – Orlando
  - April 2 and 3, 2012 – Daytona Beach
  - July 16 and 17, 2012 - Orlando.

### **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.
- The board's Frequently Asked Questions will be updated to inform licensees that alcohol cannot be used as a disinfectant. Ms. Barineau will also include this information in the next available newsletter.
- Ms. Crystal Lackey asked that the board consider requiring repeat sanitation and safety offenders complete a course on sanitation and safety as part of their disciplinary penalty. Ms. Clark will research this issue and determine if there is authority to require such a course. This topic will be included on the January 2012 agenda.
- Ms. Barineau will contact the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) and extend an invitation for them to be present at the January 2012 meeting for the board's discussion of utilizing a national exam.

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Robyn Barineau  
Executive Director  
October 26, 2011