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MINUTES OF THE October 9, 2025
PUBLIC SESSION

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Remote Teams meeting

PRESENT:

Joy Talbot (Chair), Nicole Corliss, Cassia Gilroy, Samuel Pierre, Erinn Breedy, Toni-Anne Harrison, Heather Cohen

ABSENT:

Marian Saluto, Iris Stowe

STAFF:

Nicole Manfredi, Executive Director
Jamie Dalton, Board Counsel

The Meeting was called to order at **9:40 a.m.** by the Chair. All board members and staff appeared telephonically or by video conference.

Housekeeping and Conference Call Protocol

The Chair reviewed conference call and open meeting protocol with meeting attendees.

The Chair informed Board members and attendees that the public meeting was being recorded. Recording began at 9:41.

Executive Director Report

Ms. Manfredi reported that revisions were made to the new school application materials following the discovery that refund criteria 8 and 9 had been unintentionally left out of the original version. The corrected documents have since been updated accordingly.

Board Counsel Report

Attorney Dalton reported that regulatory changes are in the process of being promulgated.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from August 14, 2025, PUBLIC session were discussed. A motion was made to accept the minutes as written by Ms. Gilroy and seconded by Mr. Pierre. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (abstain), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 6-0-1.



Minutes from September 11, 2025, PUBLIC session were discussed. A motion was made to accept the minutes as written by Ms. Corliss and seconded by Mr. Pierre. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Discussion

Jupiter Beauty Academy- new remote learning program

The Board discussed the school's documentation and application.

A motion was made to allow the applicant to approve the school's remote learning module by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Ms. Breedy. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Covering Beauty Academy- new cosmetology school

The Board discussed the school's documentation and application.

A motion was made by Ms. Corliss and seconded by Ms. Cohen to allow the applicant to proceed in the application process, pending minor revisions to the school's enrollment agreement. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Empire Beauty School (Malden)- new aesthetics program

The Board discussed the school's documentation and application.

It was determined that further revisions are needed to the enrollment agreement and catalog. Ms. Manfredi will communicate the required changes to the applicant, who will be invited to the November Board meeting for further review.

No vote taken.

Tiani Houth/Ani Eylusion: request for payment extension

The Board discussed the licensee's request for extension to pay a fine.

A motion was made by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Mr. Pierre to extend the deadline for payment to November 30, 2025, provided Ms. Houth's Aesthetic Type 7 license is current and of good standing. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Juan Tang: Out of State Cosmetology License Application

The Board met with the applicant to discuss her history of violations and prior massage therapy license revocation.

It was determined that the applicant does not hold a massage therapy license in good standing in New York and is therefore not eligible for cosmetology licensure in Massachusetts unless she passes the Massachusetts cosmetology exam in Simplified Chinese.

A motion was made by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Ms. Corliss to **deny** the applicant's request for licensure at this time. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Gregory Alexander- lapsed Barber application

The Board met with the applicant to discuss his history of violations and revoked MA Real Estate license.

A motion was made by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Mr. Pierre to allow the applicant to proceed in the application process. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Pan Zhou- out of state cosmetology license

The applicant failed to appear.

Public comment

Joh Schmaling inquired about the timeline of regulatory changes.

Christianity Baylon's had questions regarding TCA and was provided with an informational resource to help answer the questions.

Executive Session CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1); Individual Character Rather Than Competence

A motion was made by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Ms. Gilroy to exit Public Session and move into Executive Session to discuss individuals' character rather than competence. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Public session ended at 11:41 a.m.

Closed Investigative Conference, closed session pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C

A motion to exit Executive Session and move into Closed Investigative Conference was made by Mr. Pierre, seconded by Ms. Corliss. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Executive Session CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1); Individual Character Rather Than Competence

A motion was made by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Ms. Gilroy to exit Closed Investigative Conference and return to Executive Session. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 7-0.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Ms. Corliss to adjourn. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Ms. Gilroy (yes), Ms. Harrison (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), and Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 6-0.

The meeting concluded at 2:21 p.m.



Nicole Manfredi, Executive Director

Documents Used During the Meeting:

Documentation from Jupiter Beauty Academy
Documentation from Covering Beauty Academy
Documentation from Empire Beauty School