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Board of Cosmetology and Barbering Open Session Minutes

In accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 30A § 20, the Board convened a regular monthly meeting on:
Microsoft Teams meeting **February 12, 2026**

All votes were taken by roll call.

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

DOL STAFF PRESENT:

Nicole Manfredi, Executive Director
Jamie Dalton, Board Counsel

Ms. Manfredi notified members and attendees that today's public meeting is being conducted pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law and current guidance allowing public bodies to meet virtually. The meeting is recorded by the agency for the purpose of creating a public record, and the recording may be posted or made available in accordance with public records requirements.

The Meeting was called to order at **9:31 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.

Executive Director Report

Ms. Manfredi reported the following:

- The unit's transition to a paperless system continues to be successful. She reported that there have been no calls or complaints, aside from minor processing delays, and that staff are working with the data team to address and correct a few identified issues.
- Some procedural updates have been made to the school application process; however, none involve statutory changes or require Board action or a policy vote. These updates are intended to streamline the application process.



Board Counsel Report

Attorney Dalton had nothing to report.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from January 8, 2026, PUBLIC session were discussed. A motion was made to accept the minutes as written by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Mr. Pierre. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

1. Members in favor: Ms. Breedy, Ms. Cohen, Ms. Corliss, Ms. Gilroy, Ms. Harrison, Mr. Pierre, Ms. Stowe, Chair Talbot
2. Members opposed:
3. Members abstained:
4. Members recused:

The motion passed.

Discussion Items

Crystiany Guilherme Academy Manicure Program

The Board discussed the school's documentation and application.

A motion was made by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Mr. Pierre to accept the school's enrollment agreement and catalog contingent upon receiving revised documents that incorporate the Board's recommendations. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

1. Members in favor: Ms. Cohen, Ms. Corliss, Ms. Gilroy, Mr. Pierre, Ms. Stowe, Chair Talbot
2. Members opposed:
3. Members abstained:
4. Members recused:

The motion passed.

Med Spa regulations clarification

The Board discussed the med spa regulations.

The Board continued its discussion regarding med spa regulations and related policies. It was noted that members of the public have expressed confusion about these regulations and the relationship between this Board and other licensing authorities. Ms. Manfredi and Counsel Dalton provided clarification on the Board's position regarding med spa regulatory concerns.

No action was taken.

Java Edey, Barber application

The applicant was invited to discuss their application and any prior disciplinary history.

A motion was made to approve the applicant's barber license application and to permit the individual to reapply for his previously revoked cosmetology license, should he choose to do so, by Ms. Cohen and seconded by Ms. Corliss. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

1. Members in favor: Ms. Cohen, Ms. Corliss, Ms. Gilroy, Ms. Harrison, Mr. Pierre, Ms. Stowe, Chair Talbot
2. Members opposed:
3. Members abstained:
4. Members recused:

The motion passed.

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

A motion was made by Ms. Gilroy and seconded by Ms. Cohen to conclude **Public Session** and move into **Executive Session**, then to **Investigative Conference CLOSED pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C** and **Quasi-Judicial Session CLOSED pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30a, § 18** if required. The Chair called for a roll call vote:

1. Members in favor: Ms. Cohen, Ms. Corliss, Ms. Gilroy, Ms. Harrison, Mr. Pierre, Ms. Stowe, Chair Talbot
2. Members opposed:
3. Members abstained:
4. Members recused:

The motion passed.

Adjournment

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

1. Members in favor: Ms. Breedy, Ms. Cohen, Ms. Corliss, Ms. Gilroy, Ms. Harrison, Mr. Pierre, Ms. Stowe, Chair Talbot
2. Members opposed:
3. Members abstained:
4. Members recused:

The motion passed.

The meeting concluded at 12:42 p.m.



Nicole Manfredi, Executive Director

Documents Used During the Meeting:

Documentation from Crystiany Guilherme Academy