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MINUTES OF THE June 12, 2025
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Call / Virtual Meeting

PRESENT: Joy Talbot (Chair), Erinn Breedy, Heather Cohen, Nicole Corliss, Cassia Gilroy, ToniAnne Harrison, Samuel Pierre, Marian Saluto, Iris Stowe

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Sarah Wilkinson, Commissioner
John Moreschi, First Deputy Commissioner
Greer Spatz-Croxford, General Counsel
Andrew Bridges, Deputy Commissioner
Jamie Dalton, Board Counsel
Richard Lawless, Executive Director

The Meeting was called to order at **9:30 a.m.** by the Chair. All board members and staff appeared telephonically or by videoconference.

The Chair informed Board members and attendees that the public meeting was being recorded.

Housekeeping and Conference Call Protocol

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

Minutes of the May 8, 2025 Public Meeting

A MOTION was made by Ms. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Saluto, to approve the May 8, 2025 Public Meeting Minutes as drafted.

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), Ms. Saluto (Yes), Ms. Stowe (Yes), and Ms. Talbot (Yes).

The Motion passed 9-0.

Discussion

Review of Proposed Regulation Changes – 240 CMR 2.00-11.00

Mr. Lawless introduced draft regulation changes recommended by the Administration to assist businesses and licensees by removing unnecessary and outdated requirements.

The Board's discussion included reducing the minimum size and chair requirements for schools and reducing school equipment requirements.

After discussion, a MOTION was made by Ms. Gilroy, seconded by Ms. Corliss, to approve the proposed regulation changes as indicated during the meeting, and to delegate to Board staff to ensure all revisions were correctly incorporated, and to pursue promulgation of these revisions.

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), Ms. Saluto (Yes), Ms. Stowe (Yes), and Ms. Talbot (Yes).

The Motion passed 9-0.

Lowell Academy – Proposed Barber School

Carla Graham and Matthew Collins were in attendance to discuss Lowell Academy's proposed barber program.

The Board discussed the school's documentation and provided revisions.

After discussion, a MOTION was made by Ms. Corliss, seconded by Ms. Cohen, to delegate to Board staff to move forward with the school application process, and upon receiving updated documentation incorporating the Board's recommended revisions, and meeting all other requirements including an inspection, to approve the school.

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), Ms. Saluto (Yes), Ms. Stowe (Yes), and Ms. Talbot (Yes).

The Motion passed 9-0.

Stonhart Academy – Proposed Advanced Courses

Rachael Kilty and Jaquilyn Norton were in attendance to discuss Stonhart Academy's proposed advanced courses.

The Board discussed the school's documentation and provided minor revisions.

After discussion, a MOTION was made by Ms. Gilroy, seconded by Ms. Corliss, to delegate to Board staff to approve the courses upon receiving revised documentation.

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), Ms. Saluto (Yes), Ms. Stowe (Yes), and Ms. Talbot (Yes).

The Motion passed 9-0.

CCEE Nails Academy – Proposed Location Change

Francia Jean Baptiste was in attendance to discuss CCEE Nails Academy's proposed location change.

The Board discussed the school's documentation and provided revisions.

After discussion, a MOTION was made by Ms. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Pierre, to delegate to Board staff and Ms. Talbot to review and approve updated documentation incorporating the Board's requested revisions, and upon approving this documentation, and meeting all other requirements including an inspection, to approve the school.

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), Ms. Saluto (Yes), Ms. Stowe (Yes), and Ms. Talbot (Yes).

The Motion passed 9-0.

Salon Shampoo Bowls

Mr. Lawless asked the Board for clarification on potential locations for salon shampoo bowls outside of the designated shop space.

The Board gave direction to staff that any business applying for a full-service salon license would need to have at least one shampoo bowl within the proposed licensed salon space, and not outside of the salon, to ensure that a designated owner/business license holder is responsible for the sink.

Public Comment:

Anthony Clemente asked about how to obtain a copy of the proposed regulation changes. Attorney Dalton responded that the proposed changes, including the changes the Board discussed and approved at this meeting, would be posted on the Board's website in the near future, and prior to a public hearing on the changes. Mr. Clemente also asked about how the crossover education requirement change was determined. Atty. Dalton responded that the Board had previously discussed this topic, and the Board's previous decision was part of the basis for the proposed change.

Carla Graham asked about using the equipment ratios determined in today's meeting for their new barber school. Atty. Dalton responded that any applicant must use the Board's current requirements until the new requirements in the revised regulations take effect – once that date is known, the Board will publicize that date.

Matthew Collins commented that the proposed new equipment ratios may be difficult to maintain if the number of students present keeps changing.

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

A MOTION was made by Mr. Pierre, seconded by Ms. Gilroy, to adjourn the public meeting at 12:53 a.m., and enter into **Executive Session, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws chapter 30A, Section § 21(a)(1)** to discuss individuals' character rather than competence, and then to enter into **Closed Investigative Conference, pursuant to G.L. c. 112, § 65C**, to consider open cases, conduct investigative conferences, and consider settlement offers; and the Open Meeting would not resume.

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), Ms. Saluto (Yes), Ms. Stowe (Yes), and Ms. Talbot (Yes).

The Motion passed 9-0.

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

During the closed Investigative Conference, the Board voted to take the following actions:

Settlements

2024-206717-FI-ENF	Guidance given to prosecutor
2025-200554-FI-ENF	Guidance given to prosecutor
2024-202930-FI-ENF	Guidance given to prosecutor

Mr. Pierre left the meeting at or around 2:40 p.m.

Review of Cases

2025-000131-IT-ENF	Referred to Prosecutions
2025-000677-IT-ENF	Dismissed
2025-000176-IT-ENF	Dismissed with an Advisory
2024-205571-FI-ENF	Referred to Prosecutions
2024-205975-FI-ENF	Referred to Prosecutions
2024-204869-FI-ENF	Dismissed
2024-205922-FI-ENF	Dismissed

Adjournment

The meeting was concluded due to a loss of quorum at 3:04 p.m.

The above Minutes were approved at the open meeting held on July 10, 2025.



Richard Lawless, Executive Director

Documents Used During the Meeting:

Agenda

Draft Minutes of May 8, 2025 Public Meeting

Proposed Regulation Revisions – 240 CMR 2.00-11.00

Documentation from Lowell Academy Barber School

Documentation from Stonhart Academy

Documentation from CCEE Nails Academy