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MINUTES OF August 14, 2025
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Call / Virtual Meeting

PRESENT:

Erinn Breedy, Heather Cohen, Nicole Corliss, Samuel Pierre, Marian Saluto, Chair Joy Talbot

ABSENT:

Cassia Gilroy, Toni-Anne Harrison, Iris Stowe

STAFF:

Colleen Maloney, Associate Deputy Commissioner
Richard Lawless, Executive Director
Jamie Dalton, Board Counsel

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.

The Chair informed Board members and attendees that the public meeting was being recorded. Recording began at 9:33.

Housekeeping and Conference Call Protocol

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

Executive Director Report

Mr. Lawless announced that this will be his last meeting.

Board Counsel Report

Attorney Dalton reported that the public hearing on proposed regulations was held on August 8; valuable feedback was given.

Minutes of the July 10, 2025, Public Meeting

A MOTION was made by Mr. Pierre, seconded by Ms. Cohen, to approve the minutes from July 10, 2025. The Chair called for a Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), Ms. Saluto (yes), Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 5-0.



Discussion

Proposed regulation changes

The Board discussed Proposed Regulation Changes – 240 CMR 2.00-11.00.

A MOTION was made by Ms. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Pierre, to approve the regulation changes made during this discussion. The Chair called for a Roll Call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), Ms. Saluto (yes), Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 6-0.

Jupiter Academy

The Board discussed the school's application and documentation.

The Chair noted that some of the materials were not received in time for Board members to review. The Board made additional revisions and requested the applicants attend the next meeting with all materials revised and complete.

No vote taken.

Franklin County

The Board discussed the school's application and documentation.

A MOTION was made by Ms. Corliss, seconded by Ms. Cohen, to approve the school's application, contingent on final revisions addressed at today's meeting. The Chair called for a Roll Call vote:

Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), Ms. Saluto (yes), Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 5-0.

Covering Beauty Academy

The Board discussed the school's handbook. The Chair noted that the enrollment agreement was not received in time for the Board members to review. The Board made additional revisions to the handbook and requested the applicants attend the next meeting with all materials revised and complete.

No vote was taken.

Ukraine applicant

The Board discussed the applicant's application and qualifications.

A MOTION was made by Ms. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Pierre, to approve the applicant's license pending her passing the exam. The Chair called for a Roll Call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), Ms. Saluto (yes), Chair Talbot (yes).

The motion passed 6-0.

Public Comment:

- Anthony Clement from Massachusetts School of Barbering voiced his concern regarding potential conflicts because of the proposed regulation changes.
- Nagat Nasra from Crest Collaborative shared her support for the proposed regulation changes.

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

The Chair called for a Roll call vote:

Ms. Breedy (yes), Ms. Cohen (yes), Ms. Corliss (yes), Mr. Pierre (yes), Ms. Saluto (yes), Chair Talbot (yes).

The Motion passed 6-0.

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

Quasi-Judicial Session CLOSED per M.G.L. c. 30A, § 18

Adjournment

MOTION to adjourn Mr. Pierre, second by M. Stowe. The Chair called for a Roll call vote:

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

The Motion passed 7-0.

The meeting was concluded at 1:33.



Nicole Manfredi, Executive Director