

52 **Chairman’s Remarks – Edwin Barnes:**

53 Chairman Barnes stated that the National Board Meeting was scheduled to be held in Myrtle
54 Beach and he required several tasks that need to get done. He requested that since SC is the
55 host state for the national meeting, Mr. Eddie Jones, Administrator for the SC Barber Board will
56 create and send out a letter to each Barber Board across the United States inviting them to the
57 National Convention. The letter will cover the date of the meeting, an agenda, the name of the
58 hotel and the location. Reservations must be made by August 5, 2011. Mr. Jones agreed.
59 Chairman Barnes stated he was able to meet with the hotel manager in Myrtle Beach to make
60 the final arrangements for the conference scheduled September 10-15, 2011. All board
61 members were asked to attend the conference. Several topics of discussion at the conference
62 will be: fraud advertising, testing for licensure, state raiding of funds, shop owner requirements
63 and tattoo parlor regulations.

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65 Chairman Barnes stated that he also needed to arrange for gifts for the speaker and that the
66 registration fee for the conference was \$150.00. He also stated that Professional Credential
67 Services (PCS) and the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) would
68 host a welcome party on Sunday evening. They will also have a table with the products.
69 Barbercide will host an evening event on Monday evening and a banquet on Wednesday
70 evening. A tentative agenda is ready. Board member, Mr. Frederick Evans stated that for
71 Wednesday Mr. Gregory Mitchell, Provost at the Horry Georgetown University has been asked
72 to speak. He will confirm with Mr. Evans today. Mr. Evans has two other backup guest
73 speakers he will contact. He should have at least one speaker. Chairman Barnes stated that on
74 Tuesday, Mr. Allen Murphy will speak covering Barbercide Sterilization. Each speaker will have
75 15-20 minutes. Chairman Barnes asked Mr. Jones to provide assistance to the conference from
76 LLR. Mr. Jones was also asked to work with LLR to get the board members rooms paid for in
77 advance from Saturday through Wednesday, for five evenings for two members and four
78 evenings for two members. Mr. Jones was also asked to work with Mr. Charles Kilpatrick to
79 determine what type of assistance and how many people are needed for the tables. Mr. Barnes
80 has Mr. Kilpatrick’s email and phone contact information. Another meeting will be held in August
81 prior to the conference. Senator Cleary from Myrtle Beach will also speak on Monday. Chairman
82 Barnes will send an email to Senator Cleary. He has arranged for the ROTC Band to present
83 the flag in the morning during the opening session.

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85 **Administrator’s Remarks, For Information – Eddie Jones:**

86 Mr. Eddie Jones addressed the board and meeting attendees and briefly explained there were
87 no legislative issues or updates to report. Mr. Jones asked the members to correct any
88 discrepancies in the regulations. Information already received from board member Ms. Renee
89 Patton was already passed on to General Counsel. Board members were not given a copy of
90 what was submitted.

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92 **Advisory Opinions, if needed, Office of General Counsel:**

93 No report presented.

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95 **Legislative Update, if needed, Legislative Liaison Office:**

96 No report presented.

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98 **OIE Report – Office of Investigations and Enforcement:**

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101 **OGC-Office of Investigations and Enforcement:**

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Office of General Counsel:

No report presented.

Inspection Report:

A handout was given to the Board for review covering the total number of inspections done year-to-date as 1,173.

Unfinished Business:

Chairman Barnes requested clarification for the record on who was selected for the DRC and IRC Chairs. Mr. Don Norris was recommended for the IRC Chairman consideration as a professional member but no contact was made with Mr. Norris. Chairman Barnes stated that Mr. Jones would follow up with a letter offer to Mr. Norris and the official vote on alternates for the IRC and DRC would be done at the August 8th, 2011 meeting. Discussion ensued.

Chairman Barnes previously suggested that Mr. Stewart Robinson become a member. Chairman Barnes stated there still needs to be some clarification on procedural matters, duties and responsibilities prior to the next hearing. Mr. Jones reminded members that no one was ever appointed for the IRC position. At the August 8th, 2011 meeting, the Board will vote on a professional member for the DRC, Mr. Stewart Robinson and Mr. Don Norris for the IRC Committee. Mr. Jones explained that the IRC consists of the professional member Chair, Board Administrator, General Counsel, Supervisor for the Investigators. A short discussion ensued.

Motion:

Renee Patton made a motion to nominate Nathaniel Stewart to the Disciplinary Review Committee (DRC) and Mr. Don Norris, professional members for the Investigative Review Committee (IRC) Chairs and at a later date, select alternates for both committees. Mr. Frederick Evans seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

Unfinished Business:

PCS was unable to appear for the board meeting, a conference call was set up for 12:30 p.m. with Francine Rananto, Manager at Professional Credential Services (PCS) to answer board member questions regarding student records and how hours are being validated since transcripts are sent to PCS. Board wanted their concerns addressed and to request some type of check and balance on the monthly reports being sent to LLR. The conference call was subsequently cancelled. No alternate date was announced.

Board member, Mr. Paul Robinson was recognized by the Chairman. Mr. Robinson recommended that Mr. Howard Boyd from Goose Creek in Berkley County, who has forty (40) years of experience, should be consider as a Board Member nominee. Chairman Barnes stated that he would like for Mr. Jones to follow-up with LLR's Director, Catherine Templeton as well to assess if she has a Board member recommendation as well since one member is needed from the Lower State, or Greenville or the Myrtle Beach areas. Chairman Barnes will meet with the Legislator to determine if they have any nominees for a new Board member.

154 **New Business:**

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156 **Approval of DRC Report:**

157 Board members were provided with a copy of the Disciplinary Report for Monday, April 11,
158 2011. The report summarized eight (8) new cases with a total sum \$2,100 issued for civil
159 penalties. Board member Renee Patton excused herself from any discussion concerning case
160 numbers 5204 and 5205.

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162 **Motion:**

163 Paul Robinson made a motion to accept the Disciplinary Report on cases reported
164 from the DRC on Monday, April 11, 2011 covering Case Numbers 5204, 5205. Mr. Frederick
165 Evans seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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167 **Motion:**

168 Paul Robinson made a motion to accept the Disciplinary Report on cases reported
169 from the DRC on Monday, April 11, 2011 covering Case Numbers 5206, 5207, 5215, 5232,
170 5234, 5235. Ms. Renee Patton seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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172 A report was given to members covering information on the number of current licensees under
173 the Barber Board. Board Chairman Barnes asked staff member Lisa Hawsey if she had a report
174 or remarks covering the National Convention. No report available at this time.

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177 **Approval of New School:**

178 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Tony Taylor seeking approval for a new school, Your
179 Professional Image School of Barbering. Mr. Taylor stated that he was currently operating a
180 barber shop in good standing. Board member Frederick Evans let Mr. Taylor know that he
181 would set up a site visit to the school today.

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183 **Motion:**

184 Mr. Frederick Evans made a motion to accept the new school, Your Professional
185 Image School of Barbering. Ms. Renee Patton seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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187 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Gregory Fielder seeking approval for a new school, #1
188 Cuts Barber College. Mr. Fielder was present to present testimony for his new school in
189 Laurens, SC. He stated that there are currently 20 students enrolled. He is the primary instructor
190 and has a second instructor Mr. Carlos Taylor. Board Administrator, Mr. Eddie Jones requested
191 clarification whether or not a 2006 Order has been completed as issued on April 2006. Mr.
192 Fielder admitted to having past licensing problems and explained that he had a 2006 Order with
193 the Barber Board but stated everything was corrected as required. The Board took a break to
194 allow for staff to research the final disposition of the April 2006 Order issued to Mr. Fielder.
195 There was also a question as to whether or not Mr. Fielders paid his fine of \$750 which was due
196 on June 2006. Staff will determine if the penalty was paid or not and get back to the Board.
197 Documents retrieved by staff and turned over to the Board indicated that Mr. Fielder's second
198 instructor Mr. Carlos Taylor had an outstanding fine of \$100 which remained unpaid to the
199 Board. Mr. Fielder stated that he was unaware of the fine and would get it paid today.

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201 The Board went into Executive Session regarding Mr. Fielder's case. The Board returned from
202 Executive Session.

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205 **Motion:**
206 Chairman Barnes made a motion to resume the Board meeting as scheduled. Ms.
207 Renee Patton seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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209 Upon return from Executive Session, the Board further discussed Mr. Fielder's application.

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211 **Motion:**
212 Mr. Frederick Evans made a motion to accept the new school, #1 Cuts Barber
213 College. Ms. Renee Patton seconded the motion. Mr. Paul Robinson was opposed to the
214 motion.

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216 Mr. Fielders will contact board member Ms. Renee Patton for the school inspection. Mr.
217 Fielders provided his contact information for the record.

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219 **Approval of Third Student Permit:**
220 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Carlos Wright seeking approval for a third student
221 permit to resume his training. He explained he had some minor setbacks but still has the
222 passion to continue. His first permit, the instructor left after one month so he did not complete
223 his training. For the second permit, charges from his past surfaced. He can provide information
224 on the conviction at a later date. He's now working again doing "free" cuts in his neighborhood.
225 Stated he has fewer than 1200 hours, but he may not have anyone to train him at this time.
226 Board Member Mr. Robinson explained to Mr. Wright that he must have an OJT instructor and
227 obtain all of his hours. Mr. Wright further commented that he had a bench warrant and missed
228 his court date so he was arrested for selling drugs. Mr. Evans reminded Mr. Wright that this is
229 the last permit he can receive.

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231 **Motion:**
232 Mr. Frederick Evans made a motion to grant the third permit. Ms. Renee Patton
233 seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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236 **Approval of Third Student Permit:**
237 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Fredrick Withers II seeking approval for a third student
238 permit to resume his training. He explained his financial aid did not go through so he could not
239 finish his training. He now has a new instructor at Celebrity Status Barber School to help him.
240 So far he has accumulated 1283 hours

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242 **Motion:**
243 Mr. Frederick Evans made a motion to grant the third permit. Mr. Paul Robinson
244 seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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247 **Approval of Third Student Permit:**
248 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Madous D. Knight, Jr., seeking approval for a third student
249 permit to resume his training. Mr. Knight was not present to give testimony. The Board took no
250 action.

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252 **Approval of Third Student Permit:**
253 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Reuben Ol. Levy, Jr. seeking approval for a third
254 student permit to resume his training. Mr. Levy was not present to give testimony. The Board
255 took no action.

306 use. Mr. Blackwood testified that barbering is keeping him out of trouble. He went back to
307 school, has been going to church and stopped hanging out with the wrong crowd.
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309 **Motion:**

310 Renee Patton made a motion to grant the Apprentice Registered Barber license.
311 Paul E. Robinson seconded the motion, which was unanimous.
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313 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Russell David Smith. Mr. Smith submitted a criminal
314 background report with his application for an Apprentice Registered Barber license and was
315 requested to appear before the board for approval. Mr. Smith testified that he was charged in
316 2010 with burglary of two houses and vandalism. He's on probation from December 2011 for up
317 to five years. He's been in good standing for six (6) months. Mr. Smith stated that he has a job
318 in Charleston and getting paid. He is paying restitution and has been clean and sober for one
319 year and six months. He regularly attends AA meetings and receiving counseling for anger
320 management. Mr. Smith provided recommendations from his employer to the Board for review.
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322 **Motion:**

323 Paul E. Robinson made a motion to grant the Apprentice Registered Barber
324 license with the condition of a minimum of two years probation or probation to run concurrent
325 with his current prison probation status. Mr. Smith must also provide the Board with an annual
326 current SLED report, at his own expense. Ms. Renee Patton seconded the motion, which was
327 unanimous.
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330 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Martin D. Vernon. Mr. Vernon submitted an extensive
331 criminal background report with his application for an Apprentice Registered Barber license and
332 was requested to appear before the board for approval. Mr. Vernon testified that he has been
333 receiving counseling and is not on probation. He stated that he is working on clearing up his
334 background record by attending online college courses. However, board members had grave
335 concerns regarding current pending sexual charges involving an eleven (11) year old minor. Mr.
336 Vernon stated that the case was still open because the victim could not be found and the
337 disposition of the charge remains open. Board members were puzzled about the testimony and
338 required that the open matter be concluded before the Board could proceed with a
339 determination. The Board went into Executive Session to seek counsel. The Board resumed
340 the session and made the following motion:
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342 **Motion:**

343 Paul E. Robinson made a motion to deny the Apprentice Registered Barber license
344 until such time that the pending, unresolved open offense is resolved. Ms. Renee Patton
345 seconded the motion, which was unanimous.
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347 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Terry Derrell Grant. Mr. Grant submitted an extensive
348 criminal background report with his application for an Apprentice Registered Barber license and
349 was requested to appear before the board for approval. Mr. Grant testified that he got his GED,
350 is attending Allen University for four years, went to barber school and now has a family. Mr.
351 Grant stated that he is currently on a six (6) year probation that will end on June 31, 2011 due to
352 of good behavior. His arrest charges stemmed from selling weed.
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354 **Motion:**

355 Mr. Frederick Evans made a motion to approve the Apprentice Registered Barber
356 license. Mr. Paul Robinson seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

357 **Review of SLED Report from Licensee on Probation with Additional Charges**

358 Board Chairman Barnes called upon Mr. Edward B. Barrett who submitted a current SLED
359 report dated April 1, 2011. Since Mr. Barrett is on probation with the Board, he is required to
360 submit an annual SLED report while on probation. The SLED report submitted was reviewed
361 and noted additional charges on the report. Mr. Barrett was called before the board to provide
362 testimony.

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364 Mr. Barrett did not appear before the Board as required and is not in compliance with the Order
365 received. Board member Mr. Frederick Evans stated that Mr. Barrett's license must be
366 suspended and the current Order issued against Mr. Barrett's license is sufficient to suspend
367 the license. No further Board Order is required at this time.

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369 **Motion:**

370 Mr. Frederick Evans made a motion to administratively suspend the Apprentice
371 Registered Barber license for Mr. Barrett. Mr. Paul Robinson seconded the motion, which was
372 unanimous.

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374 **Motion:**

375 Chairman Barnes made a motion to go into Executive Session. Mr. Paul Robinson
376 seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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378 The Board returned from Executive Session.

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380 **Motion:**

381 Chairman Barnes made a motion to resume the Board meeting as scheduled. Ms.
382 Renee Patton seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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384 Chairman Barnes concluded the SLED Report review segment of the meeting and moved on to
385 general discussion and public comments.

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387 **Public Comments:**

388 Applicant Mr. Martin D. Vernon approached the Board confused about his license denial. He
389 wanted to know what his current open charge had to do with him obtaining a license. Board
390 member Mr. Frederick Evans addressed Mr. Vernon's concerns stating that, as a public
391 member, his responsibility is to protect the public. The motion was to disapprove the license
392 until such time that Mr. Vernon and his attorney resolve the open legal issues. Ms. Christa Bell,
393 Assistant General Counsel to the Board clarified that the Board could not act on Mr. Vernon's
394 application at this time. Once he has all of the facts surrounding the conclusion of his open
395 case, then the Board can make a determination. She further stated that the rules of court dictate
396 that once a tribunal has made a decision, no further action will be taken. On that note, Mr.
397 Vernon left the Board meeting very angry and still demanding reconsideration.

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399 **Motion:**

400 Chairman Barnes made a motion to adjourn the Board meeting. Mr. Frederick
401 Evans seconded the motion, which was unanimous.

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404 **Adjournment of Meeting:**

405 The June 13, 2011, Board of Barber Examiners meeting was adjourned at: 12:18 p.m.