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APPROVED MINUTES
South Carolina Board of Cosmetology
Board Meeting
9:00 A.M., March 13, 2012
Synergy Business Park
Kingtree Building, Conference Room 105
110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, SC 29210

8 **Meeting Called to Order**

9 Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S. C. Board of Cosmetology office, Synergy Business Park,
10 Kingtree Building, and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with
11 Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all
12 present. The rules of the meeting were read by the Chairperson.

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16 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

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18 **Pledge of Allegiance**

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20 **Rules of the Meeting Read by the Vice Chairman**

21 **Introduction of Board Members and All Other Persons Attending**

22 Melanie C. Thompson, Vice Chairperson, called the regular meeting of the Board of Cosmetology to order. Other
23 Board members present for the meeting included: Katherine T. Webb; Cynthia T. Rodgers; Stephanie Nye; and
24 Janice Curtis.

25 **Staff Members Participating in the Meeting**

26 Dean Grigg, Advice Counsel; Byron Ray, Administrator, Roz Bailey-Glover, Matteah Taylor, Administrative
27 Assistants, Shirley Wider, Program Assistant, Cecelia P. Englert, Court Reporter. Christa Bell and Lynne Rogers,
28 LLR Office of General Counsel, Sheridan Spoon, Advice Counsel.

29 **All Other Persons Attending:**

30 Linda Rose Chiodo, Galina Lipchak, Ha X Ngo, Jazel Lenka Urzagaste, Son Dinh Phan, Thao Thi Thu Nguyen, Le
31 Thi Tran, Suong T Dao, Loc Huu Nguyen, Mong Nga Van, Truong Tuan Nguyen, Ngan Bao Thai Nguyen, Kim T
32 Duong, Tiem Van Dao, Van Nguyen, Kiandra L Isaiah, Du Van Tran, Christine A Smith, Jeannette Velez, Terry L
33 Stoebling, Leighann S Kurtiak, Young Ah Yu, Thuy Vy Minh Doan, Thuy Ngo, Duyen Ngoc Pham, Long Huynh
34 Tan, Devon Samone Wilson, Sheila L McCleskey, Thanh-Nha Thi Nguyen, John Kim, David E. Belding, Long Phi
35 Pham

36 **Approval of Excused Absences**

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38 **MOTION:**

39 Ms. Webb made a motion to excuse Selena M. Brown from the meeting. Ms. Rodgers seconded the motion,
40 which was carried unanimously.

41 **Approval of Agenda**

42 **MOTION:**

43 Ms. Webb made a motion to approve the agenda with any deviations deemed necessary. Ms. Rodgers
44 seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

45 **Chairperson's Remarks – There were none.**

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47 **Administrator's Remarks – There were none.**

48 **Old Business – There was none.**

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50 **New Business**

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52 **Approval of Licenses**

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54 **Linda Rose Chiodo**

55 Staff notified Linda Rose Chiodo by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
56 concerning the examination application for a cosmetology license. Ms. Chiodo received a license in New Jersey in
57 1973 with 1,200 hours of education. Ms. Chiodo is seeking 300 credit hours and permission to take the NIC
58 examinations with the Board's approval.

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60 **MOTION:**

61 Ms. Webb made a motion to approve 300 credit hours and allow Ms. Chiodo to sit for the NIC examinations. Ms.
62 Rodgers seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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64 **Galina Lipchak**

65 Staff notified Galina Lipchak by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning
66 the examination application for a cosmetologist with an out of country school in the Kyrgyz Republic from October
67 2007 until June 2009 where she earned 1790 hours of education. Ms. Lipchak has taken the NIC examinations and is
68 not licensed in the U.S.A. All documents were translated into English. Ms. Lipchak was not present when her name
69 was called.

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71 **MOTION:**

72 Ms. Webb made a motion to deny the application due to absence . Ms. Nye seconded the motion, which was carried
73 unanimously.

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75 Ms. Lipchak did arrive at the Board meeting stating she was told by LLR staff to arrive at 1:00 p.m. Ms. Lipchak
76 answered questions for the Board.

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78 **MOTION:**

79 Ms. Webb made a motion to withdraw her original motion to deny the application due to absence . Ms. Nye seconded
80 the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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82 **MOTION:**

83 Ms. Webb made a motion to approve the application for examination. Ms. Nye seconded the motion, which was
84 carried unanimously.

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86 **Ha X Ngo**

87 Staff notified Ha X Ngo by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning the
88 nail technician examination application. Mr. Ngo had difficulty answering questions and his English was very poor.
89 Mr. Van Tran volunteered to translate for Mr. Ngo. Documents submitted indicate that Mr. Ngo attended World
90 Beauty from 5/22/2007-8/18/2007. Documents also show Mr. Ngo attended Charlotte Nails Academy from 4/1/10 –
91 5/26/2010. Mr. Ngo described what he learned to the Board however he could not answer questions regarding what
92 he learned about sanitation requirements in his profession. Mr. Ngo stated could not understand or answer questions
93 in English very well.

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95 **MOTION:**

96 Ms. Webb made a motion to deny the application due to testimony discrepancies. Ms. Rodgers seconded the motion,
97 which was carried unanimously.

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99 Vice Chairperson Ms. Thompson let Mr. Ngo know that the Board has denied his application and a letter will be

100 mailed to him for clarification.

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102 **Jazel Lenka Urzagaste**

103 Staff notified Jazel Lenka Urzagaste by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
104 concerning the nail technician application. Ms. Urzagaste attended V Tran Beauty Academy in NC where she
105 received 300 hours of in-class training and received a NC license which will expire 10/1/12. Ms. Urzagaste passed
106 the NIC examinations in SC. The Board stated that candidates who submit an application to take the NIC
107 examinations must also submit an endorsement application when the applicant has an active license in another state.
108 The Board decided to waive the endorsement application fee for Ms. Urzagaste.

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110 **MOTION:**

111 Ms. Rodgers made a motion to approve the license by examination contingent upon Ms. Urzagaste completing an
112 endorsement application. Ms. Curtis seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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114 **Son Dinh Phan**

115 Staff notified Son Dinh Phan by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning
116 the examination application for a nail technician license. Mr. Phan testified that he attended the International Beauty
117 College in California. He has a current license in California and in New Jersey until 9/30/2012. Mr. Phan stated that
118 he lives in California, but wants to live in South Carolina. Mr. Phan took the NIC examination in SC. The Board
119 pointed out that Mr. Phan's examination application was incomplete. The school transcript information was blank,
120 unsigned and not dated. The social security card submitted as identification was not signed. The Board let Mr. Phan
121 know that since he has licenses in other states that he would also need to submit an endorsement application.

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123 **MOTION:**

124 Ms. Webb made a motion to deny the examination application because it was incomplete, and that Mr. Phan must
125 also complete an endorsement application . Ms. Rodgers seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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127 **Thao Thi Thu Nguyen**

128 Staff notified ThaoThi Thu Nguyen by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
129 concerning the examination application for a nail technician. Ms. Nguyen testified that she has a current license in
130 California, but now lives in South Carolina. She passed the NIC examinations and has 400 hours of training from the
131 Tammy Beauty Academy. Ms. Nguyen also submitted a translated high school diploma from Vietnam to replace the
132 on-line high school diploma previously submitted.

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134 **MOTION:**

135 Ms. Webb made a motion to deny the examination application, and that Ms. Nguyen must complete an endorsement
136 application to get licensed. Ms. Rodgers seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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138 **Le Thi Tran**

139 Staff notified Le Thi Tran by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning the
140 application for examination for a nail technician. Ms. Tran attended the Academy of Health and Beauty School in
141 Florida and was licensed there in 2010. Ms. Tran's Florida license will expire on 10/31/2013.

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143 **MOTION:**

144 Ms. Webb made a motion to deny the license by examination. Ms. Curtis seconded the motion, which was carried
145 unanimously.

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147 **Suong T Dao**

148 Staff notified Suong T Dao by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning
149 the examination application for a nail technician. Ms. Dao testified that she attended Pro-Nails & Beauty School Inc.,
150 in Florida from 12/12/10 – 3/3/2011 where she received 325 hours of training. She did not receive a license in Florida
151 and now lives in N. Augusta, SC. Ms. Dao passed the NIC examinations. The Board reviewed the application
152 information and determined that the training documents submitted were incomplete which rendered the application
153 incomplete.

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156 **MOTION:**
157 Ms. Curtis made a motion to deny the examination application . Ms. Webb seconded the motion, which was carried
158 unanimously.

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160 **Loc Huu Nguyen**
161 Staff notified Loc Huu Nguyen by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
162 concerning the examination application for a nail technician. Mr. Nguyen testified that he attended the Atlanta
163 Beauty School from May 2009 until August 31, 2009. Mr. Nguyen stated he attended classes from Monday – Friday,
164 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and received 525 hours of education. He now lives in South Carolina. The Board reviewed
165 Mr. Nguyen’s class room hours and found discrepancies.

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167 **MOTION:**
168 Ms. Rodgers made a motion to deny the examination application for licensure due to discrepancies in the attended
169 class room hours. Ms. Webb seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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171 Vice Chairperson, Ms. Thompson let Mr. Nguyen know that a final order will be mailed to him from the Board.

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173 **Mong Nga Van**
174 Staff notified Mong Nga Van by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
175 concerning the examination application for a nail technician. Ms. Van testified that she went to school in Virginia
176 from August 3, 2010 until November 9, 2010 at the Executive Beauty Academy which is now Crystal’s Beauty
177 Academy. Ms. Van does not have a license in Virginia. The Board reviewed the application.

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179 **MOTION:**
180 Ms. Rodgers made a motion to approve the examination application . Ms. Curtis seconded the motion, which was
181 carried unanimously.

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183 **Truong Tuan Nguyen**
184 Staff notified Truong Tuan Nguyen by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
185 concerning the examination application for a nail technician. Mr. Nguyen attended the Pro-Nails & Beauty School
186 Inc., in Florida from 6/1/2010 thru 8/15/2010 where he received 325 hours of training. Mr. Nguyen stated that he
187 lives in SC for 7 years, but previously lived in GA for 5 years. Mr. Nguyen testified that he went to FL on vacation
188 and attended nail school there for two months and his mother paid for his education. Mr. Nguyen did not obtain a
189 license in FL. The Board reviewed the application.

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191 **MOTION:**
192 Ms. Curtis made a motion to deny the application . Ms. Webb seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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194 **MOTION:**
195 Ms. Webb made a motion to take a 10 minute break. Ms. Rodgers seconded the motion, which was carried
196 unanimously.

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198 The Board returned from break to public session.

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200 **Ngan Bao Thai Nguyen**
201 Staff notified Ngan Bao Thai Nguyen by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
202 concerning the examination application for a nail technician. Ms. Nguyen testified that she Executive Beauty
203 Academy in Virginia from 3/27/10 – 5/20/10, Tuesday-Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Ms. Nguyen stated she
204 earned 400 hours of education with Executive Beauty Academy and passed the NIC exams.

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206 **MOTION:**
207 Ms. Rodgers made a motion to approve the application for licensure. Ms. Curtis seconded the motion, which was
208 carried unanimously.

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210 **MOTION:**

211 Ms. Webb made a motion to deny the examination applications on the agenda for **Kim T. Duong** and **Du Van Tran**
212 and requested that both applicants complete an endorsement application to become licensed . Ms. Rodgers seconded
213 the motion, which was carried unanimously.
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215 **Hearing – L’Amour Nails** (*visit: www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/cosmetology for a complete meeting transcript*)

216 Mr. Long Phi Pham, license #2703 was notified by the Division of Legal Services / Office of General Counsel to
217 appear for a formal hearing with the Board to testify on his behalf regarding OIE complaint case #2011-189. Mr.
218 Pham appeared with his attorney, Mr. Dave Belding. Ms. Christa Bell and Mr. Sheridan Spoon, LLR Office of
219 General Counsel, represented the State of SC. Ms. Bell presented the state’s case against Mr. Pham and provided the
220 Board with 22 exhibits surrounding the case for review. The exhibits contained numerous citations documents
221 demonstrating that Mr. Pham was aware, and allowed unlicensed practice at Glamour Nails where he was the
222 manager. All exhibits were included in the record for the official transcript. Mr. Belding stated that the complaint is
223 against Mr. Pham’s nail technician license and because of the admission of facts, and based on that admission, no
224 witness will be called. Mr. Belding called Mr. Pham to testify on his own behalf. Mr. Pham stated that he has been
225 in the U.S.A. since 1991 and that he was the manager of Glamour Nails which closed 12/19/2011. Mr. Pham is
226 currently working at Perfect Nails in Camden, SC as a nail technician, not a manager. Mr. Pham was questioned
227 further about the employee Twan Lee whom he managed at Glamour Nails. Mr. Pham stated she told him her name
228 was Twan Lee and he did not check with LLR to see if she had a license to practice as a nail technician. He was also
229 questioned about Anh Thi Long Vo mentioned in inspection exhibit #14 who was unlicensed and working when the
230 salon was inspected. Ms.Vo has since become licensed. The Board also questioned Mr. Pham about his affiliation
231 with Glamour Nails. Mr. Belding made his closing statements and made a request that the Board consider allowing
232 Mr. Pham to keep his nail tech license as this was his livelihood. Ms. Bell made her final argument and closed for the
233 State. The final case was submitted to the Board and the hearing was adjourned.

234 **MOTION:**

235 Ms. Webb made a motion to go into executive session . Ms. Rodgers seconded the motion, which was carried
236 unanimously.
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238 The Board returned from executive session where no votes were taken.
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240 **MOTION:**

241 Ms. Curtis made a motion to revoke the nail technician license of Mr. Long Phi Pham. Ms. Rodgers seconded the
242 motion, which was carried unanimously.
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244 **MOTION:**

245 Ms. Rodgers made a motion to break for lunch. Ms. Webb seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.
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247 **Approval of Licenses**

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249 **Tiem Van Dao**

250 Staff notified Tiem Van Dao by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning
251 the examination application for a nail technician. Mr. Dao testified that he attended the Academy of Health & Beauty
252 School in FL from 4/20/2011 to 7/12/2011. Mr. Dao testified that he received a license in Florida with 350 hours of
253 training. The Board reviewed the application and made a determination.
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255 **MOTION:**

256 Ms. Curtis made a motion to deny the examination application and required Mr. Dao to complete an endorsement
257 application . Ms. Nye seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.
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259 **Van Nguyen**

260 Staff notified Van Nguyen by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning
261 the examination application for a nail technician. The application for licensure was reviewed and approved by the
262 Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.
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264 **Nhu Uyen Huyhn Tran**
265 Staff notified Nhu Uyen Huyhn Tran by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
266 concerning the examination application for a nail technician. Ms. Tran was not present to testify.

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268 **MOTION:**

269 Ms. Rodgers made a motion to deny the application as Ms. Tran did not show up for the meeting . Ms. Curtis
270 seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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272 **Kiandra L Isaiah**

273 Staff notified Kiandra L Isaiah by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
274 concerning the examination application for a nail technician. The application for licensure was reviewed and
275 approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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277 **Christine A Smith**

278 Staff notified Christine A Smith by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
279 concerning the examination application for a nail technician. Ms. Smith testified that she worked as an apprentice at
280 Salon Dimensions for one year but does not have any W2 forms. Ms. Smith was licensed in New Jersey as a
281 manicurist from 06/03/1996 to 9/30/2000 and obtained 200 hours of training from the Sussex County Vocational
282 School. The NJ license is expired. The examination application arrived from the testing service, PCS, asking
283 permission for Ms. Smith to take the NIC examinations.

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285 **MOTION:**

286 Ms. Rodgers made a motion to go into executive session. Ms. Nye seconded the motion, which was carried
287 unanimously.

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289 The Board returned from executive session. No votes were taken.

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291 **MOTION:**

292 Ms. Curtis made a motion to deny the application due to the time lapse in her NJ license from the year 2000 . The
293 Board recommended Ms. Smith start over by obtaining 300 hours of class training and then schedule to take the NIC
294 examinations. Ms. Nye seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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296 **Jeannette Velez**

297 Staff notified Jeannette Velez by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning
298 the examination application for an esthetician. Ms. Velez received a GED in 2005 and also submitted a high school
299 diploma from Adison High School, on-line. The Board accepted the GED from 2005.

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301 **MOTION:**

302 Ms. Webb made a motion to approve application for licensure. Ms. Curtis seconded the motion, which was carried
303 unanimously.

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305 **Terry L Stoebling**

306 Staff notified Terry L Stoebling by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
307 concerning the examination application for a cosmetology license. Ms. Stoebling received her license in NJ and
308 earned 1200 hours of education at Wilfred Academy in 1974. The application for licensure was reviewed and
309 approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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311 **Leighann S Kurtiak**

312 Staff notified Leighann S Kurtiak by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
313 concerning the examination application for a cosmetology license. Ms. Kurtiak received her license in FL and earned
314 1200 hours of education at the Roffler Beauty College, now closed. The application for licensure was reviewed and
315 approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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318 **Young Ah Yu**

319 Staff notified Young Ah Yu by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning
320 the examination application for a cosmetologist. Ms. Yu has a current license in CA. The application for licensure
321 was reviewed and approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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323 **Thuy Vy Minh Doan**

324 Staff notified Thuy Vy Minh Doan by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
325 concerning the examination application for a cosmetology license. Ms. Doan attended the Flavio Beauty College in
326 CA from 2/4/2009 – 11/19/2009 where she earned 1600 hours of training. Ms. Doan stated she was never licensed in
327 CA. The Board reviewed the application and determined that documents were not notarized or signed.

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329 **MOTION:**

330 Ms. Curtis made a motion to deny the incomplete application information. Ms. Rodgers seconded the motion, which
331 was carried unanimously.

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333 **Approval of License through Endorsement**

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335 **Thuy Ngo**

336 Staff notified Thuy Ngo by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have concerning the
337 endorsement application for a nail technician. With the Boards permission, the application for licensure was
338 reviewed and approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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340 **Duyen Ngoc Pham**

341 Staff notified Duyen Ngoc Pham by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
342 concerning the endorsement application for a nail technician. With the Boards permission, the application for
343 licensure was reviewed and approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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345 **Long Huynh Tan**

346 Staff notified Long Huynh Tan by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
347 concerning the endorsement application for a nail technician. With the Boards permission, the application for
348 licensure was reviewed and approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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350 **Devon Samone Wilson**

351 Staff notified Devon Samone Wilson by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
352 concerning the endorsement application for a nail technician. With the Boards permission, the application for
353 licensure was reviewed and approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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355 **Sheila L McCleskey**

356 Staff notified Sheila L McCleskey by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
357 concerning the endorsement application for a nail technician. With the Boards permission, the application for
358 licensure was reviewed and approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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360 **Thanh-Nha Thi Nguyen**

361 Staff notified Thanh-Nha Thi Nguyen by letter to appear before the Board to answer questions members may have
362 concerning the endorsement application for a nail technician. With the Boards permission, the application for
363 licensure was reviewed and approved by the Board Administrator at staff level and not heard by the Board.

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365 **Election of Officers**

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367 **MOTION:**

368 Ms. Webb made a motion to elect Ms. Melanie C. Thompson as Chairman. Ms. Curtis seconded the motion, which
369 was carried unanimously.

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371 **MOTION:**

372 Ms. Rodgers made a motion to elect Ms. Katherine T. Webb as Vice Chairman. Ms. Curtis seconded the motion,
373 which was carried unanimously.

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375 **Public Comments: There were none**

376 **Adjournment:**

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378 **MOTION:**

379 Ms. Curtis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Webb seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

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381 **The meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.**

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383 **The next meeting of the South Carolina Board of Cosmetology is scheduled for May 14, 2012**

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