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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

**F I N A L M I N U T E S**

MEETING OF:

**STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS**

TIME: 9:09 a.m.

BOARD ROOM C

One Penn Center

2601 North Third Street

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

Monday, October 16, 2017

State Board of Barber Examiners  
October 16, 2017

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BOARD MEMBERS:

Kathryn Waters, Deputy Commissioner of Professional  
and Occupational Affairs  
John C. Christopher, Professional Member, Chair  
Ginger Etter, Consumer Protection Member, Secretary  
Ronald Gray Jr., Professional Member  
Margaret A. Moore, Public Member  
Dominic A. Muniz, Professional Member

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Ian Everhart, Esquire, Board Counsel  
Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel  
Kenneth J. Suter, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison  
Timothy Smith, Esquire, Board Prosecutor  
Caroline Bailey, Esquire, Board Prosecutor  
Kelly I. Diller, Board Administrator

ALSO PRESENT:

Mike Gent, Curriculum Coordinator, Department of  
Corrections  
Megan Davis, Cosmetologist, Barber School of NEPA  
Michael Caporali, Teacher, Barber School of NEPA  
Ken Jaram, President, Barber School of Pittsburgh

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2 State Board of Barber Examiners

3 October 16, 2017

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5 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State  
6 Board of Barber Examiners was held on Monday, October  
7 16, 2017. John C. Christopher, Chairman, called the  
8 meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

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10 Pledge of Allegiance

11 [The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.]

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13 Roll Call

14 [Roll call was taken.]

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16 Approval of Minutes of the June 26, 2017 meeting

17 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

18 Any questions, comments regarding the  
19 last meeting Minutes? Could I have a  
20 motion to accept the meeting Minutes?

21 MR. GRAY:

22 Motion.

23 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

24 Second?

25 MS. ETTER:

1                   Second.

2 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

3                   All in favor, say aye. Opposed? The  
4                   motion carries.

5 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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7 Report of Prosecutorial Division

8 [Kenneth J. Suter, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison,  
9 offered to answer any questions regarding  
10 prosecution.]

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12 [Timothy Smith, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented a  
13 Consent Agreement for File No. 15-42-02753.]

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15 [Caroline Bailey, Esquire, Board Prosecutor, presented  
16 a Consent Agreement for File No. 16-42-07673.]

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18 Report of Board Counsel

19 [Dana Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, announced this  
20 was her last meeting and introduced Ian Everhart as  
21 the new Board Counsel.

22           Ms. Wucinski noted Consent Agreement items 2 and  
23 3 and items 4 through 7, as well as File No. 16-42-  
24 05223, for discussion in Executive Session.]

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1 Report of Commissioner

2 [Kathryn Waters, Deputy Commissioner of Professional  
3 and Occupational Affairs, discussed Board members  
4 providing the name of their State Board for  
5 reimbursement of travel expenses.]

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7 Report of Board Chairman

8 [John C. Christopher, Professional Member, Chairman,  
9 offered condolences to the family of Robert Vavro.

10 Chairman Christopher noted his attendance at the  
11 National Association of Barber Boards of America  
12 (NABBA) Convention in Charleston, South Carolina. He  
13 reviewed topics of discussion at the convention  
14 including unifying regulations and rules to be  
15 standard across the US, training on sanitation and  
16 health issues, and education on H-42 by Ron Hampton,  
17 the inventor and owner.

18 Chairman Christopher described the use of H-42 as  
19 a disinfectant on clippers, guards, blades, and  
20 shears. He stated H-42 helps prevent HIV, sepsis, and  
21 other diseases.

22 Chairman Christopher discussed the need for funds  
23 for the National Barber Hall of Fame Museum in Canal  
24 Winchester, Ohio, to move to another facility. He  
25 requested the Board members provide their individual

1 financial assistance, as the Commonwealth cannot  
2 solicit funds.

3 Chairman Christopher discussed updating the NABBA  
4 bylaws and his report from PA to the other states  
5 regarding laws for use of barber poles. He noted 16  
6 out of 31 states do have specific laws, but  
7 Pennsylvania does not have legislation to restrict the  
8 use of barber poles to just barbers.

9 Chairman Christopher was questioned regarding the  
10 statement of H-42 preventing the spread of HIV and  
11 other disease. Chairperson Christopher will contact  
12 Ron Hampton to request clarification.]

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14 Report of Board Administrator - No Report

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16 Old/New Board Business - No Report

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18 Public Session

19 [Dominic A. Muniz, Professional Member, requested to  
20 attend the next State Correctional Institute Practical  
21 Examination.

22 Mr. Gent stated the next practical exam will  
23 probably be late November or early December. A  
24 background check is required for security purposes.

25 Ms. Diller offered to email Board members upon

1 confirmation of the date for the next meeting.

2 Ken Jaram, Barber School of Pittsburgh, requested  
3 information regarding House Bill 246.

4 Ms. Wucinski stated the Board can present an  
5 update at the next Board meeting or Mr. Jaram can  
6 contact Board Counsel for the Barber Board, Ian  
7 Everhart.

8 Mr. Jaram questioned whether the Board had any  
9 influence on the test questions for State Board tests.  
10 Ms. Diller explained Pearson VUE has subject matter  
11 experts and the Board does not supply questions.

12 Mr. Jaram questioned the accountability for non-  
13 accredited schools. Ms. Wucinski stated there are no  
14 laws for barber schools.]

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16 [Megan Davis, Cosmetologist, Barber School of North  
17 East Pennsylvania (NEPA), informed the Board that she  
18 is moving over from a cosmetologist to a barber and  
19 expressed her disapproval regarding the need to take  
20 the practical exam again. She commented that the  
21 tests are basically the same and should be waived for  
22 cosmetologists. She stated cosmetologists no longer  
23 have to take the practical exam as of November 25,  
24 2014, but barbers are still required to take the test.  
25 Ms. Davis spoke with her State Representative, who

1 suggested she talk to the Board.

2 Chairman Christopher noted that Pearson VUE  
3 developed three or four different versions of the  
4 test, so the questions were not identical and the  
5 Board did see a sample test.

6 Ms. Wucinski stated the state rep route is the  
7 only route and that the Board cannot change that law.

8 Section 3.2 requires a cosmetologist desiring to  
9 become a licensed barber must complete 550 hours and  
10 pass both the theory and the practical, which is the  
11 current law.

12 Ms. Diller added that unless that would change by  
13 our lawmakers, the Board cannot waive the law.

14 Mr. Jaram commented that a cosmetologist wanting  
15 to become a barber should take the practical test. He  
16 added the cosmetology schools should be held  
17 accountable for the education.]

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19 Exam Statistics

20 [Chairman Christopher reviewed Pennsylvania exam  
21 statistics from June 26, 2017, to October 5, 2017.]

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23 Next Meeting Date

24 [Chairman Christopher noted the next scheduled Board  
25 meeting date as Monday, December 18, 2017.]



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2 Active License Count

3 [Chairman Christopher noted 3,384 active licensed  
4 barbers in the Commonwealth, 3,054 barber managers, 38  
5 barber schools, 2,379 barbershops, 276 barber  
6 teachers, and 133 temporary licenses for a total of  
7 9,254.]

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9 Term Limits

10 [Chairman Christopher discussed the need for a Vice  
11 Chairman and requested nominations.]

12 MS. MOORE:

13 I make a motion that Ron Gray Jr.,  
14 Professional Member of the Board, be  
15 nominated as Vice Chair.

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

17 Okay. Second on that?

18 MS. ETTER:

19 I second it.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

21 All right. Any other nominations? All  
22 in favor, say aye. All opposed, say  
23 nay. The ayes have it.

24 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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1 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

2 Nominations for Dominic to join the  
3 Committee.

4 MS. MOORE:

5 So moved.

6 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

7 Second?

8 MR. GRAY:

9 Second.

10 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

11 Okay. All in favor, say aye. Opposed?

12 The ayes have it.

13 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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15 [The Board recessed from 9:39 a.m. to 9:49 a.m.]

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17 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(5) of the Sunshine Act, at  
18 9:49 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session  
19 with Ian Everhart, Esquire, Board Counsel, and Dana  
20 Wucinski, Esquire, Board Counsel, and for the purpose  
21 of conducting quasi-judicial deliberations on a number  
22 of matters that are currently pending before the Board  
23 and to receive advice of Counsel. The Board concluded  
24 its Executive Session at 10:38 a.m.]

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1 I believe the Board will entertain a  
2 motion to reject the Consent Agreement  
3 as too lenient at File No. 16-42-07673.

4 MS. WATERS:

5 I motion.

6 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

7 Second?

8 MR. GRAY:

9 Second.

10 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

11 All in favor, say aye. Opposed? The  
12 motion carries.

13 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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15 MS. WUCINSKI:

16 I believe the Board will entertain a  
17 motion to grant the Petition for  
18 Reinstatement of Licensure as a barber  
19 of Marvin W. Fulton, File No. 16-42-  
20 05223.

21 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

22 Motion to accept?

23 MR. GRAY:

24 Motion.

25 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

1 Second?

2 MS. ETTER:

3 Second.

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

5 All in favor, say aye. All opposed?

6 The motion carries.

7 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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9 MS. WUCINSKI:

10 I believe the Board will entertain a  
11 motion to adopt the proposed  
12 Adjudication and substitute the final  
13 order consistent with discussions in  
14 Executive Session of George Bonilla,  
15 File No. 16-42-14599.

16 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

17 Motion to accept?

18 MS. WATERS:

19 I motion.

20 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

21 Second?

22 MR. GRAY:

23 Second.

24 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

25 All in favor, say aye. Opposed? Motion

1 carries.

2 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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4 MS. WUCINSKI:

5 I believe the Board will entertain a  
6 motion to draft an Adjudication and  
7 Order in accordance with the discussions  
8 in Executive Session as it relates to  
9 the Fulton decision for Mykel Anthony  
10 Galvin, File No. 16-42-13892.

11 MS. WATERS:

12 I motion.

13 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

14 Second?

15 MS. ETTER:

16 Second.

17 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

18 All in favor, say aye. Opposed? Motion  
19 carries.

20 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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22 MS. WUCINSKI:

23 I believe the Board will entertain a  
24 motion to adopt the proposed  
25 Adjudication and substitute the final

1 order consistent with discussions in  
2 Executive Session for Gary Lynn Riley  
3 Sr., File No. 15-42-10762.

4 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

5 Motion on the floor to accept?

6 MR. GRAY:

7 Motion.

8 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

9 Second?

10 MR. MUNIZ:

11 Second.

12 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

13 All in favor, say aye. Opposed? Motion  
14 carries.

15 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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17 MS. WUCINSKI:

18 Finally, I believe the Board will  
19 entertain a motion to adopt the Variance  
20 Request at agenda Item No. 7 for the  
21 Barber School at SCI Frackville.

22 MS. WATERS:

23 I motion.

24 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

25 Second?

1 MS. ETTER:

2                               Second.

3 MR. MUNIZ:

4                               Second.

5 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

6                               All in favor, say aye. Opposed? The  
7                               motion carries.

8 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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10 Adjournment

11 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

12                               Motion to adjourn?

13 MS. ETTER:

14                               Motion.

15 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

16                               Second?

17 MR. MUNIZ:

18                               Second.

19 CHAIRMAN CHRISTOPHER:

20                               All in favor? Opposed? Motion carries.

21 [The motion carried unanimously.]

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23 [There being no further business, the State Board of  
24 Barber Examiners meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.]

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## CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Barber Examiners meeting, was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision, and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Barber Examiners meeting.



Adam Beck,

Minute Clerk

Sargent's Court Reporting  
Service, Inc.

STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS  
REFERENCE INDEX

October 16, 2017

| TIME  | AGENDA                           |
|-------|----------------------------------|
| 9:09  | Official Call to Order           |
| 9:09  | Pledge of Allegiance             |
| 9:09  | Roll Call                        |
| 9:10  | Approval of Minutes              |
| 9:11  | Report of Prosecutorial Division |
| 9:14  | Report of Board Counsel          |
| 9:15  | Report of Deputy Commissioner    |
| 9:16  | Report of Chairman               |
| 9:23  | Report of Board Administrator    |
| 9:26  | Public Session                   |
| 9:39  | Recess                           |
| 9:49  | Return to Open Session           |
| 9:49  | Executive Session                |
| 10:38 | Return to Open Session           |
| 10:39 | Motions                          |
| 10:42 | Adjournment                      |