
***State of Louisiana Board of Barber Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes September 22, 2019
Board Office Conference Room, Baton Rouge, Louisiana***

Board President Rebecca Villeneuve called the meeting to order at 1:50 p.m. Present were Board Vice President Alton Broussard, Board Members Kedrian Landrew, Gina Moreau, Cory Dawsey and Executive Director Latrice Matthews. Other guest, Mark Villeneuve, UFCW Local 496.

Board President Rebecca Villeneuve presented the minutes of June 23, 2019.

M/Broussard, 2nd/Landry to approve the minutes as read. Mc

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business

M/Landrew, 2nd/Dawsey to approve the New Business. Mc

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Board President Villeneuve reported today was good for the most part. There were a few that will be returning to come back to finish what they did not do. Board President Villeneuve also reported enforcing the no photo taking during the exam rule.

M/Landrew, 2nd/Dawsey to approve the President's Report. Mc

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Please see attachment.

Executive Director Latrice Matthews reported that the UFCW Local 496 Apprenticeship Program has implemented a 1600 hour/10 month curriculum for cosmetologist to become licensed barbers. This program has been created in response to the Barber Board's recent changes requiring cosmetologists to complete hours in barbering to receive their licenses. Executive Director Matthews reported all applicants must be a current Louisiana licensed cosmetologist and must meet the same application criteria as a 4000 hour apprentice applicant. The shops must also meet the criteria. Executive Director Matthews reported being in favor of this program because it offers more options for those not able to enroll in barber school and

makes it more accessible for cosmetologist to obtain a barber's license. Board Vice President Alton Broussard questioned what was the advantage for a cosmetologist to obtain a barber's license if they are already cutting. Executive Director Matthews responded to be able to offer shaves, and also to do the Barber Apprenticeship Program. Board President Villeneuve responded that there are a lot of new trendy franchise barber shops that are hiring cosmetologist but they want them to be able to do barbering work. Board Member Gina Moreau says this is what we've wanted was for them to learn what it is that we need them to do at board. Mark Villeneuve of UFCW Local 496 explained that the 8 Chapter Test that will be required covers stuff that really needs to be known, and also that most can't afford to go back to barber school and need to work and this will help those individuals out.

M/Landrew, 2nd/Broussard to approve the Executive Director's Report. Mc

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

Board Member Gina Moreau had nothing to report in her area.

Board Member Cory Dawsey had nothing to report in his area.

Board Vice President Alton Broussard had nothing to report in his area.

Board Member Kedrain Landrew had nothing to report in his area.

M/Landrew, 2nd/Dawsey to approve the Board Member's Report. Mc

OLD BUSINESS

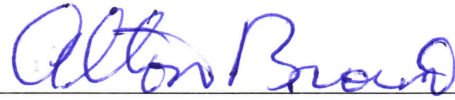
Executive Director Latrice Matthews reported a follow up to last meetings' guest Nissan Ballard and his request to become a licensed barber instructor without obtaining school hours. During that meeting Mr. Ballard alleged wrong doings in some of the local barber schools to which Executive Director Matthews informed Mr. Ballard to make a formal complaint in writing. Executive Director Matthews reported not having received the complaint but did acknowledge receiving a phone call from Mr. Ballard thanking her for her time and that he was going to go ahead and go to school to get his hours to test and become an instructor. Ms. Matthews reported that as of today's meeting no Instructor Trainee Application has been received for Mr. Ballard, but she would keep the board posted if the complaint or the application came in.

M/Landrew, 2nd/Dawsey to approve Old Business. Mc

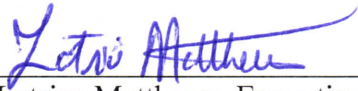
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m.



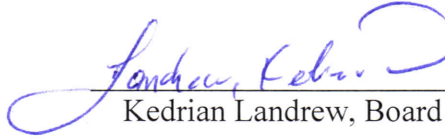
Rebecca Villeneuve, President



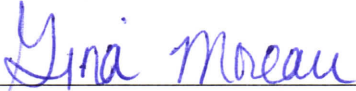
Alton Broussard, Vice President



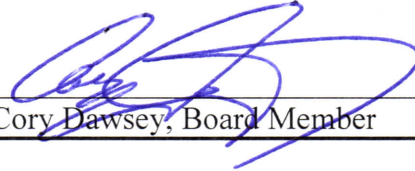
Latrice Matthews, Executive Director



Kedrian Landrew, Board Member



Gina Moreau, Board Member



Cory Dawsey, Board Member
