
***State of Louisiana Board of Barber Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes March 17, 2024
Board Office Conference Room, Baton Rouge, Louisiana***

Board President Cory Dawsey called the meeting to order at 12:52 p.m. Present were Board Vice President Kedrian Landrew, Board Members Marlon Lewis, Ella Washington, Michael Hebert, and Executive Director Latrice Matthews.

Board President Cory Dawsey presented the minutes of December 3, 2023.

M/Landrew, 2nd/Lewis to approve the minutes as read. Mc

NEW BUSINESS

Board Member Lewis reported that he thought today's test was pretty good. He reported getting good responses from the students testing and no attitudes. Sometimes they think that they know more than you when you try to show them. He stated there was only one incident today with a student in which both he and Board Vice Chairman Kedrian handled. Board Member Lewis explained that a lot of problems start with the model that they bring.

Executive Director Matthews reported that the exam today was scheduled to be a full house with 30 on the list but a lot did not show, which is frustrating because others were turned away because of it being full. When they don't show it stops somebody else from testing that really wanted to be there. Executive Director Matthews stated the weather today could have possibly played a part also, and for some it could be nerves. Board Member Hebert stated that when they come that far into it, they just have to take it. They've got to be ready to do it.

Board Vice Chairman Landrew asked how much is it to take the test and do they have to repay when they don't take it. Executive Director Matthews said it is \$50 to test and \$40 to retest if you fail. Vice Chairman Landrew said they should have to repay if they don't show up also. Executive Director Matthews explained that the apprenticeship program continues to charge their monthly dues until the apprentice passes state board.

Board Chairman Dawsey stated one of the apprentices today said that the board exam list they got from the apprenticeship office didn't say anything about shaving cream or gel but the one for the barber board did. Chairman Dawsey asked Executive Director Matthews to make sure the apprenticeship program adds that to their list. Board Member Hebert said there was one up front that didn't have anything and was not prepared at all to test today. Board Member Washington asked when they do the tool check what do you look for. Board Member Hebert said that most times when they don't have the perm rods or the mannequin stuff, they don't find that out until it's time to do it because there is no room to put all of that out on the station in the beginning.

Chairman Dawsey said when they do tool check they are mostly checking to make sure they don't have any guards and that they have the clippers they are supposed to have. Chairman Dawsey said that no one in the back had 76ers. Executive Director Matthews asked were the instructors told at the workshop about the clippers needed. Chairman Dawsey said they didn't tell them a specific type of clipper to have. Executive Director Matthews stated she can add that to the board exam notification she sends. Board Member Lewis said it may be better to say any motorized detachable blade pair of clippers.

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

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Board Chairman Cory Dawsey reported the board had an exam in North Louisiana on last week and everything went well. Nothing major happened. The exam was held at Cloyd's in Monroe on last Monday and we had 18. We had one guy to walk out who was only testing on his female model. Chairman Dawsey said he asked him did he get it done and the student only responded nope and walked out. Chairman Dawsey stated that the student did not finish and will have to come back. Other than that everybody else did pretty good. Board Chairman Dawsey also reported that the new inspector in North Louisiana had pretty much made it around to most of the shops and that he was working out pretty good and he'd received good feedback about him.

M/Landry, 2nd/Lewis to approve the President's Report. Mc

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Please see attachment

Financials

Executive Director Matthews reported the Total License Revenue for January 31, 2023 thru December 31, 2023 is \$358,938 which included Apprentice Licenses \$22,150, Barber Licenses \$239,906, Instructor Licenses \$9,760, Reciprocity \$1,900, School Licenses \$2,170, New Shop Licenses \$8,700, Shop Licenses \$53,762, and Student Licenses \$20,590. Total Income for January 1, 2023 thru December 31, 2023 budgeted \$499,600 vs actual \$506,673 for a difference of \$7,073. Total Expense for January 1, 2023 thru December 31, 2023 budgeted \$498,120 vs actual \$504,100 for a difference of \$5,980.

M/Landry, 2nd/Lewis to approve the Executive Director's Report. Mc

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

Board Vice Chairman Kedrian Landrew reported someone cutting out of a utility trailer in his area but other than that it was kind of fine in his area.

Board Member Michael Hebert reported that everything was fine in his area, nobody had reported anything to him.

Board Member Lewis reported nothing going on in his area.

Board Member Ella Washington said that she did not have anything going on in her area. Board Member Washington asked do people just go to the Barber Board Member and tell them problems that they having. Board Chairman Dawsey responded sometimes people call but most times it stuff they need to call the office for Latrice with. Chairman Dawsey said sometimes people will stop by his shop and ask questions or just to talk but he hadn't had anybody to stop by in a while.

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

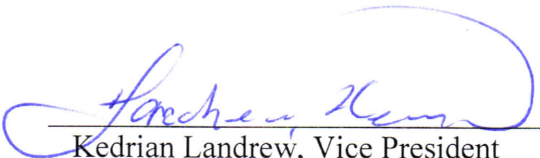
OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Dawsey reported having received good feedback regarding the Instructors Workshop that was conducted. Executive Director Matthews stated that Board Member Lewis had also received good feedback about it.

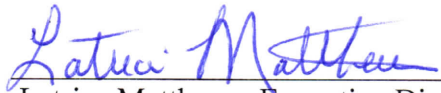
M/Landrew, 2nd/Hebert to approve Old Business. Mc

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:16 p.m.

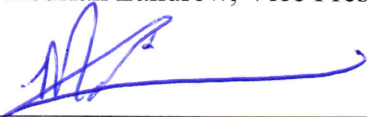
Cory Dawsey, President



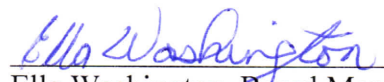
Kedrian Landrew, Vice President



Latrice Matthews, Executive Director



Marlon Lewis, Board Member



Ella Washington, Board Member



Michael Hebert, Board Member
