



## Board of Barbering, Cosmetology, and Esthetics Public Meeting Minutes

Barbering, Cosmetology & Esthetics Board

Monday, February 10, 2025, at 9:00 AM EST to Monday, February 10, 2025, at

12:00 PM EST

### Attendance

Members: Jeanne Chappell (JC), Breanna Neal (BN), Sarah Partridge (SP), Jane Marie Streeter (JMS), Donna Woodson (DW)

Staff: Elizabeth Eaton- Board Counsel, Alex Fisher-Board Administrator, Christine Browning-Board Administrator

#### I. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:06 am by Board Chair Jeanne Chappell.

#### II. Prov Exams

-The board is excited that Prov will be taking over the Jurisprudence exams. The board would like to know how they will handle language difficulties.

#### III. Approval of the Public Minutes from January 13, 2025, Meeting

**Motion:** Upon a motion by JC with a second by SP the Board voted to approve the minutes from the January 13, 2025, meeting. Motion passes 5-0-1. BN abstained.

#### IV. Administrative Rules and Legislative Topics

##### A. SB 194

1. Attorney Elizabeth Eaton gave the board an update on SB 194 and what transpired at the hearing. She informed the board that they are welcome to attend hearings as members of the public to provide support/against a bill. If they are representing the board the member must remain factual and neutral. Several members of the board did submit comments to the legislator.

**Motion:** Upon a motion by JC with a second by SP the board voted to that the board have a discussion about writing a letter testifying at the upcoming SB 194 hearing when the opportunity arises. Motion passes 6-0.

**Motion:** Upon a motion by JC with a second by SP, the board voted to appoint any available member of the board to testify regarding SB 194. Motion passes 6-0.

## V. Public Comments

-Audrey Bowden provided public comment on the new process regarding getting inspected, OPLC communication with the members of the esthetic community and licensed professionals in the state of NH. She stated that she received an inspection in January and believes the annual inspection is too much. She says that the process for the inspection was not easy or simple. She commented that she did not like the notification of five days and window of five days. Audrey stated she received the run around from OPLC about the inspection process and the new law that was passed. She proposed an online scheduling system to schedule your inspection. The board would like a copy of the communication that goes out to the shops about their inspections.

-MST provided public comment that they are a full 1500-hour program. They also stated that there is a lot of information on the inspection check list that is confusing.

### A. Email from Nicole Koplovsky

1. The board has reviewed the e-mail related to Estheticians to provide scalp massages. The board views this request as a petition for rulemaking. The board is already in rulemaking in the section related to Estheticians.

**Motion:** Upon a motion by JC with a second by SP, the Board voted to accept the petition for rulemaking to be considered while writing rules related to Estheticians. Motion passes 5-0-1. JM abstained.

--Sarah Partridge provided comment that the mobile webpage for gen court that it is not easy to read the rules. Sarah was informed that this is managed by Gen Court, but we will see what we can do about the functionality.

## VI. Petition for Declaratory Ruling- Head Spa Services

A. The board reviewed the petition for declaratory ruling related to Head Spa Services. Shampooing is not regulated and does not require a license. The board will look to change this during rulemaking. Currently in the laws and rules it does not talk about specific directions on how to clean a shampoo bowl, only a foot spa. The assumption is that if you know how to disinfect you are expected to disinfect all appropriate units.

**Motion:** Upon a motion by JC with a second by SP, the board voted that the board respond to the petition and Attorney Eaton will send the response to Jeanne and Sarah for review prior to sending to the petitioner. Motion passes 6-0.

#### VII. Non-Public Session

Non-Public session is conducted for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c) & (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, *Lodge v. Knowlton*, (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

**Motion:** Upon a motion by JC with a second by, the board voted to go into a non-public session at 10:26AM. Roll call vote passes 6-0.

#### VIII. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Minutes of the non-public session are sealed to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.

**Motion:** Upon a motion by SP with a second by JC, the board voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session. Roll call vote passes 6-0.

#### IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:16pm by Board Chair Jeanne Chappell. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 9:00AM.