

## **PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

**JANUARY 11th, 2020**

The North Dakota State Board of Barber Examiners held their meeting on Saturday October 19th, 2019 at the Holiday Inn in Fargo. Vice President Paul Ellerkamp called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Roll call was taken and present were, Vice President Paul Ellerkamp, incoming Vice President Matt Ellerkamp, Secretary/Treasurer Tona Stevenson, Wil Dort, Mary Cannon, Andrew Storkamp, Santamia Storkamp, Alba Soto, Deune "AJ" Dort, Brendan LaFrance and Leane LaFrance. Absent was President Joel Brehmer.

Paul asked for approval of the agenda. Tona made a motion to approve with a second from Matt, all in favor, motion carried.

Tona read the previous meeting minutes. Paul made a motion to approve with a second from Matt, all in favor, motion carried.

Tona gave the treasurers report. Matt made a motion to approve with a second from Paul, all in favor, motion carried.

Wil gave the Skill Cutz Barber College report. They have four students taking the exam tomorrow. Wil and AJ went to Las Vegas for a workshop to learn about accreditation. They have Leane and another individual working together on the process of getting the school federally accredited. If all goes as planned, they will start the application process in January. They have established a schedule for the days that the five instructors will be teaching at the school. The school is now open Monday through Saturday from 10:00am to 7:00pm. There are 7 students currently enrolled. Brendan will go to another conference on accreditation in December. The school has a few private partnership funding groups that they are working with that will be providing funding for the students. Wil asked how many students per instructor are allowed? There are no ND Barber laws that pertain to that. Discussion took place about ND providing a cross over license for Cosmetologists to get a barber license and an established program for an instructor's licenses. Tona suggested that this be brought up at the state association meeting. Wil read the letter he presented to the board requesting the students continue to be able to use clipper guards during the state exam. A great amount of discussion took place.

Tona made a motion to have Paul, Matt and Joel establish a written set of rules to provide to the schools. There was a second from Matt, all approved, motion carried.

Andrew gave the Moler Barber College report. There are 11 students enrolled. They have a lot of people on a waiting list. They will have three students testing tomorrow. The school is still waiting to hear back from the Dept. of Education for approval of the transfer of ownership. Everything else is running smooth.

An executive meeting took place. All returned back to the room after the meeting was completed.

Old Business was discussed. Paul informed everyone in the meeting that we have a problem with enforcing the barber pole law. In the ND Barber Century Code law, it states that Cosmetologists are

exempt from all of our laws. The Board will be working towards correctly that. Paul asked about the process of the surety bond. Tona canceled the current bond and is getting a new one in the name of the Board of Barber Examiners.

New Business was discussed. Tona has licensed 198 Barbers and 92 Barber Shops. After today all outstanding license renewals have been paid. Leane asked the Board if they could please include a registration number on the instructor license because it will be needed for accreditation.

The Board reviewed applications for exams and signed vouchers.

Paul asked for a motion to adjourn, Tona made a motion to adjourn with a second from Matt. All in favor motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tona L. Stevenson  
Secretary/Treasurer  
North Dakota State Board of Barber Examiners