

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The North Dakota State Board of Barber Examiners held their meeting on April 10th, 2021, at the Holiday Inn in Fargo ND.

President Matt Ellerkamp called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Roll call was taken, and present were, President Matt Ellerkamp, Vice President Trever Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer Tona Stevenson, Andrew Storkamp and Mary Cannon from Moler Barber College, Wil Dort from Skill Cutz Barber College, North Dakota Barbers Amanda Guzman and Jimmy Wright from Grand Forks.

Tona read the previous meeting minutes. Matt made a motion to approve with a second from Trever.

Tona gave the treasurers report. Trever made a motion to accept the report with a second from Matt.

Andrew gave the Moler Barber College report. He currently has 11 students enrolled and people on a waiting list. He still plans to make some improvements to the school such as putting in a new floor but will wait until the price of building materials go down. He continues to advertise the school and is seeing more of the public coming in for haircuts. Andrew receives numerous calls from barbers looking for a barber to hire.

Wil gave the Skill Cutz Barber College report. He currently has 14 students enrolled. They hired Tylor Kappes as a fulltime instructor. They continue to try and get more people to come in for shaves. Students are advertising on Marketplace and each student is giving away 5 free haircuts a week.

Old Business was discussed. Matt is working on updating the exam score cards and updating the inspection sheets.

New Business was discussed. Amanda Guzman asked if she could operate a Mobile Barbershop in North Dakota. All North Dakota laws are written for barbershops located in a permanent location. Without laws in place for a mobile barbershop, we will not license any at this time. Licensing for the past session is now complete. Tona licensed 218 Master Barbers and 101 Barber Shops. The 94th annual NABBA Conference is going to be held in Washington DC, September 19th-23rd. A Barber School Membership Division is scheduled for launch in April. This division will be facilitated and sustained by the NABBA-Labs for the purpose of providing education and guidance to schools, instructors and students. Tona received approval from the state auditor's office for the annual fiscal report that she prepared. Tona approved and licensed one reciprocity applicant, Isai Rojas aka "E the Barber". Tona asked Matt and Trever for approval of the licensed applicant. He is interested in becoming an instructor and will be able to test in October 2021 if he has approval from the Board. Tona reminded the Board that we are supposed to have an interview with all instructor applicants before they take the instructors exam. Matt expressed his concerns about the North Dakota Barbers not receiving their continuing education hours. The Board discussed it and will require all those due for continuing education hours to get them completed before the next licensing session.

The board reviewed the applicants for exams and signed vouchers.

The Board held an executive meeting to discuss legal actions taking place.

Meeting resumed; no other discussion took place.

Matt asked for a motion to adjourn. Tona made a motion to adjourn with a second from Trever.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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