

COSMETOLOGY TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Quarterly meeting - via remote video
Monday, January 22, 2024
5800 West Tenth Street
Little Rock, AR 9:10 a.m.

MINUTES

Members present: Joseph Dillahunty; Tonya Boydstun, Chair; Morgan Gamble; Brandi Farmer; Erin McGinnis; Matt O'Baugh; Amy Lance; Mary Burton; Andrea Wilson

Also Present - Chuck Thompson, Craig Smith, Kelli Kersey

Call to order Tonya Boydstun

Roll call Tonya Boydstun

Approval of minutes

motion by Wilson, second by Farmer

Approval of Paid Violations

Motion by Wilson, second by Lance

Legal Update

Chuck Thompson -There needs to be a committee vote to accept reimbursement and stipends per Arkansas Code. Motion to accept by Dillahunty, second by Farmer. Passes

Reminder to everyone, especially new members - all meetings are subject to FOIA, Video meetings are recorded and maintained for a year. There should be no texting or communications among members in their official duties. Comments should go through staff.

Craig Smith - Changes to Rules - special meeting was held a few weeks ago to review rules and proposed changes. Changes to rules and proposed changes will be presented to the Board of Health. Need approval from committee:

* The requirement for instruments to be sterilized, if they can't be sterilized, they need to be replaced.

* Inspections include looking at record books.

Motion to approve changes by Farmer, second by McGinnis. Motion passes.

Administrative Hearing re: Jared Woodley
Verbatim transcript under separate cover

Program Updates

Kelli Kersey - Have launched online renewal for Body Art. People are getting it. Should launch this week CLIPS for Body Art, second part, for student artists and trainer/trainee. Explanation of how CLIPS works. Will need to start paying for exams, and there is no mail-in, has to be done in CLIPS. Need to log in and put in hours for training. All that is being done for Body Art already done for Cosmetology. Explanation of uploading procedure on CLIPS.

There was an advertisement/announcement for inspector position for Body Art, but there were not enough candidates; will send out announcement again.

Brandi Farmer, question - On the current application for students, it does not show how much applicant needs to pay.

There is no fee at beginning, only at end.

Kersey - There is a national organization that has a Body Art test online, committee may want to look at it.

Kersey - In the process of moving from PSI to a company called PROB for testing. Should be switched over to PROB by April 1. It is a very automated and secure system.

NIC has developed a written practical exam which committee may want to take a look at.

Staff is currently working on some processes for cosmetology schools with regard to exams and acceptance of exam scores.

Public Comment

Micaela Stephens, shop owner in Fayetteville in the piercing and body art business - she has a serious concern about piercing practices at other businesses that are dangerous and unsafe -- issues such as using incorrect jewelry, infections, implanted devices, improper piercing practices.

Public Comment continued

Chuck Thompson, in response, strongly urged that the proper complaint procedures be followed, beginning with filling out an online complaint form, that this meeting forum is not the appropriate time to do an analysis of any individual cases or analyses of the law, and that further discussion would jeopardize the completion of the administrative process or possible criminal referrals. The specific complaint process as laid out in the rules has to be followed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.
Next meeting - March 25, 2024

