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Minutes for the Board Meeting May 18, 2009 100 North Union Street, Suite 300 Montgomery, AL 36104

Ms. Bennett called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. and presided over the first part of the meeting. The members present were Evonne Bennett, Floyd McDonald, Kathy Linden, Charles Preston, Wendy Merriweather, Eric Williams and Tracy White Smith. Monet Gaines from the Attorney General's Office was present as the Board's attorney. The office staff members present were Jodi Respass, Jason Watson and Carol Reynolds. Bob McKee, Executive Director, was present. There were no visitors present.

Ms. Smith gave the invocation. Roll call was taken.

Mr. Preston made a motion to accept the minutes as presented for the April 20, 2009 meeting. Mr. McDonald seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

The North Alabama Cosmetology Unit had submitted a proposal for continuing education (#00300). Ms. Linden made a motion to accept the proposal. Mr. Preston seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Orson Steward had submitted a proposal for continuing education (#00301). Ms. Linden stated that the date on the first page (the application page) has July 12th but that a later page has July 19th. Ms. Linden made a motion to accept the proposal with a clarification about which date is submitted and a modified sheet submitted. Ms. Merriweather seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

For the election of officers, Ms. Linden nominated Mr. Preston for the office of President. Mr. McDonald seconded. Ms. Smith made a motion to close the nominations. All ayes, the motion carried and the nominations were closed. The vote for Mr. Preston to hold the office of President was all ayes and the motion carried. Mr. Preston then presided over the rest of the meeting.

For the office of Secretary, Ms. Bennett nominated Ms. Merriweather. Ms. Linden seconded. Ms. Linden made a motion to close the nominations. Mr. McDonald seconded. All ayes, the motion carried and the nominations were closed. The vote for Ms. Merriweather to hold the office of Secretary was all ayes and the motion carried.

For the office of Treasurer, Ms. Merriweather nominated Ms. Linden. Mr. McDonald seconded. All ayes, the motion carried for Ms. Linden to hold the office of Treasurer.

Ms. Merriweather nominated Ms. Bennett for the position on the Investigative Committee. Ms. Linden seconded. Ms. Linden made a motion to close the nominations. Mr. McDonald seconded. All ayes, the motion carried for the nominations to be closed. The vote for Ms. Bennett to serve on the Investigative Committee was all ayes and the motion carried.

Mr. McKee stated that he will write resolutions to commend Ms. Fair and Ms. Taylor for their work on the Board. He gave a quick synopsis of what happened with the barber bill this year and the plans he has to work towards passage of the barber bill for next year. He stated that he feels this is a pretty good time to try, that there is more interest in a barber board than before. He stated that the Board Members can be strategic and that all will need to speak as one voice as much as possible. Mr. McKee stated that the Board Members have done a great job from where we were on credibility and have worked together. Senator Figures and Representative Coleman will probably be the sponsors of the bill. He's hoping for a public hearing in mid-February and expects lots of publicity. Mr. Preston stated that we didn't want to become as the Arkansas Board which has been turned into an advisory board under the health department.

Thomas LaMont from Charles Academy had sent a letter about the hours a student may earn each day. After much discussion, the Board Members requested that Mr. LaMont be invited to the next Board meeting to discuss this.

Ms. Merriweather made a motion for a break at 10:58. Ms. Linden seconded. All ayes.

At 11:11, Mr. Preston called the meeting back to order.

Mr. McDonald abstained from voting on all Investigative Committee recommendations.

The Board members considered the recommendations of the Investigative Committee:

Complaint #1145: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Linden seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1147: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendations. Ms. Linden seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1046: Ms. Linden made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Merriweather seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1148: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Bennett seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaints #1149: Ms. Linden made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Merriweather seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1150: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Bennett seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1152: Mr. Williams made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Merriweather seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1157: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendations. Ms. Linden seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1151: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Mr. Williams seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1156: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Bennett seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaints #1162, #1163: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Bennett seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1153: Ms. Linden made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Mr. Williams seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1158: Ms. Bennett made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Merriweather seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1159: Ms. Linden made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Mr. Williams seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1160: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Linden seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1154: Mr. Williams made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Bennett seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1155: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Linden seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1161: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Mr. Williams seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1164: Ms. Linden made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Bennett seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1111: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendations. Ms. Bennett seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1144: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Linden seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1120: Ms. Merriweather made a motion to accept the Investigative Committee recommendation. Ms. Bennett seconded. All ayes, the motion carried.

Complaint #1125: Ms. Linden made a motion to leave the settlement amount as is. Ms. Smith seconded. Ms. Merriweather voted no, all others voted aye, the motion carried.

Mr. Preston asked about the collection of fines and Mr. Watson stated that all but four had paid last month. Mr. McKee stated that we now have contracts with several outside attorneys and along with the hearing officers that State Personnel has established, we should have enough to cover the hearings. Ms. Respass stated the contracts have been through

