

## STATE OF ALABAMA BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY AND BARBERING

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## MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING July 17, 2023 10:00 AM

Board Vice-Chair Ms. Kathy Linden called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and presided over the meeting.

The invocation was given by Mr. General Jackson and the roll call was taken by Ms. Linden. The Board Members present were Mr. General Jackson, Ms. Misty Garrison, Mr. Daniel Powers, Ms. Michelle Callahan-Alvis, and Ms. Kathy Linden. No Board Members were absent. A quorum of the Board Members was present. Ms. Jeannie Price, Executive Director was present, and Ms. Neva Conway, Legal Counsel, was present. Recording Secretary, Madison Johnson, was present. There were also public visitors present.

Ms. Linden asked if the Board Members had received and read the agenda for July 17, 2023. All Board Members present confirmed they had. With all ayes, the agenda was adopted.

Ms. Linden asked if the Board Members had received and read the minutes from the April 17, 2023, Board Meeting. All Board Members present confirmed they had and there were no questions. Mr. Powers made a motion to adopt the minutes from the April 17, 2023, meeting, Mr. Jackson seconded, and with all ayes, the motion was carried.

The complaint and the Administrative Law Judge's recommendation were read by Ms. Price.

Complaint #3247 – ABOCB vs. Isatou Gueye: Mrs. Price brought forth a request to vacate this final order since Ms. Isatou is making a concerted effort to comply with the Board's recommendations. Ms. Garrison made a motion to vacate the Final Order, Mr. Jackson seconded, with all ayes the motion was carried.

Ms. Linden asked if all Board Members received a copy of the Financial Status Report covering the period 10/1/2022 through 6/30/2023. All Board Members present indicated they had received and reviewed this report.

Ms. Linden invited Brittanie O'Neal to speak to the Board regarding her new school, Bennett School of Cosmetology. Ms. O'Neal spoke about her love for the industry and her willingness to assist others in their entrance to this industry. Ms. Alvis made a motion to approve the school application, Ms. Garrison seconded, and with all ayes, the motion was carried.



Ms. Price updated the Board on the status of several bills brought before the legislature during the 2023 legislative session:

- HB 104 (Addition of 2 Board Members) did not pass.
- SB 156 (the "Consolidation Bill") did not pass but it will probably be introduced again during the next legislative session.
- SB 141 (Reciprocal Licenses for Occupational Licensing Boards) passed. This bill expands the reciprocal license provisions of the Military Family Jobs Opportunity Act.
- HB 246 (Interstate Compact for Cosmetologists) passed. The Interstate Compact will be enacted once seven states pass the legislation.
- In addition, Governor Ivey has created a Study Commission to study the consolidation of Regulatory Boards.

Mrs. Price relayed to the Board that the Sunset Audit has been completed. The Board will appear before the Sunset Review Committee on August 24, 2023, and encouraged the Board Members to attend.

Ms. Linden asked if there was any other business to be addressed. Ms. Heather Barbee, a public visitor, asked if she could speak regarding the infection that she received from a nail shop in Alabama. The Board heard her complaint and asked her to speak with Ms. Price and the Investigator following the board the meeting.

With no other business before the board, Mr. Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and with all ayes, the meeting was adjourned at 10:23 am.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Kater Linden, Vice-Chair Date

Madison Johnson, Recording Secretary Date

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