

**OFFICE OF BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY LICENSURE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

October 30, 2006

I. Convene

The meeting of the Barbering and Cosmetology Advisory Committee was convened in Conference Room 1380 at 1560 Broadway, Denver, Colorado, 80202, at 1:33 P.M. on October 30, 2006.

Members present:

John Black
Darryl Dryer
Julie Lacey
Rhonda Porter
Lauren Worth (by teleconference)

Staff present:

Rosemary McCool, Director
Kevin D. Heupel, Program Director
Pamela Jackson, Assistant Attorney General
Vaña Montgomery, Administrative Assistant
Beverly Miller, Program Assistant
Dennis Romero, Inspector

II. NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice of this open meeting of the Barber and Cosmetology Advisory Committee was posted on the Barber and Cosmetology Web site and in the reception area at 1560 Broadway, Suite 1350 pursuant to the Division of Registrations policy.

III. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the August 21, 2006 meeting were approved.

IV. Reports

Program Director

Rhonda Porter was introduced to the Committee as the newest member. She is replacing Robert Miller who resigned earlier this year. Ms. Porter is a cosmetologist and was the owner of American Beauty Academy until recently.

Kevin informed the Committee that in August he attended the NIC conference in Portland, Maine. At the conference, the foot spa problems plaguing California and Texas were discussed. The foot spa problems seem to be regional. Both states are checking the water in the coastal areas for bacteria levels.

The NIC currently offers the licensure examination in Spanish and Vietnamese. In the future, they plan to offer the examination outside the United States.

After January 1, 2007, ten percent of the questions on the licensure written examinations offered by Promissor will cover the Rules and Regulations.

John Black

John attended the National Barber Convention held in Denver during September and reported on certain topics of interest.

Beverly Miller

In January 2006, the inspectors started issuing citations for violations at the time of inspection. When the inspector issues the citation, the violations are explained along with the necessary steps to correct the deficiencies. The shop is placed on one-year probation when violations are found during the inspection. During the probation, the inspectors do additional inspections to help the shop come into compliance. To date, 90 to 95% of the citation fines have been paid.

The Sanitation and Disinfection class is required for shops found with sanitation and disinfection violations, but is open to the public. Classes are offered once a month at 1560 Broadway. The inspectors will also conduct a class at a shop or school upon request.

V. Discussion Items

Safe "Sharps" Disposal

Rule 2(A)(9) requires "lancets, disposable razors, and other sharp objects shall be disposed in puncture-resistant containers marked with a biohazard symbol for disposal immediately after use on a client." Many salons, spas and barbershops have not been aware of nor have known how to comply with this requirement. The Office will try to make available possible sources of information regarding disposal options. Possible sources of information are Colorado Waste Management, Stericycle, Becton-Dickinson, Allegro Medical, Bio-Express, local pharmacies, or health care providers. This Office does not endorse any sharps disposal program or company.

VI. Adjournment

At 1:51 P.M., the Committee concluded general business.

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Kevin D. Heupel,
Program Director