

1 STATE OF ALASKA  
2 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
3 DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING  
4 BOARD OF BARBERS AND HAIRDRESSERS  
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6 MINUTES OF MEETING  
7 OCTOBER 22, 2020  
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9 **THESE MINUTES MAY NOT REFLECT THE LATEST GUIDANCE ON MANDATE 16. PLEASE CHECK THE**  
10 **BOARD'S WEB SITE FOR THE LATEST GUIDANCE ON COVID-19 REOPENING REQUIREMENTS.**  
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12 By the authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and AS 08.86.030 and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62  
13 Article 6, a scheduled meeting of the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers was held via teleconference and  
14 videoconference and at State Office Bldg., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, Conference Room B, October 22, 2020.  
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16 **Item 1. Call to Order/Roll Call**  
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18 The meeting of the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers was called to order by Michelle McMullin, Chair,  
19 at 9:02 a.m. Members present were:  
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21 **Item 1. Roll call**  
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23 **Board Members Present, constituting a Quorum:**  
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25 Michelle McMullin, Nail Technician, Chairperson  
26 Jennifer Lombardo, Industry License, Tattooist  
27 Terriann Shell, Public Member  
28 Blake Thomas, Body Piercer  
29 Cheryl Brantley, Hairdresser  
30 VACANT, Hairdresser/Esthetician  
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32 **Excused from attending**  
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34 Vershawn Idom (Shawn), Barber  
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36 **Present from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing were:**  
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38 Cynthia Spencer, Records & Licensing Supervisor  
39 Wanda Whitcomb, Licensing Examiner  
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41 **Members of the Public Present:**  
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43 NIC Representatives:  
44 Katrina Albrecht, Schroeder Measurement Technologies/Prometric  
45 Jillian Nelson, Schroeder Measurement Technologies/Prometric  
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47 **Item 2. Review/Amend agenda**  
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49 The Board approved the agenda showing the removal of item 5.

50 **Item 3. Ethics Disclosure**

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52 No ethics disclosures.

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54 **Item 4. Review and Consideration of Adoption of National Interstate Council's+ Tattoo and**  
55 **Micropigmentation Written Exams**

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57 **On a motion duly made by Terriann Shell, seconded by Jennifer Lombardo, and approved by**  
58 **a majority roll call vote it was resolved to move to Executive Session for the Review of the**  
59 **NIC Tattoo and Micropigmentation Written exam**

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61 *The board entered executive session at 9:07 A.M. The board exited executive session at 10:15 A.M.*

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63 Roll Call of Board reflected a majority of board members present.

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65 Chair McMullin requested the board to discuss their opinion of the NIC Tattoo and Micropigmentation  
66 written exams.

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68 Jennifer Lombardo agreed that the exam was well written, but the exam is mostly made up of questions  
69 that fall under the topic of tattoo techniques. Alaska's statutes and regulations are more concerned  
70 with health and safety. Ms. Lombardo stated that she was concerned if this test was right for Alaska and  
71 would like to see the exam after it is revised. Some of the questions are outdated.

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73 Chair McMullin stated that many of the questions dealing with micropigmentation are familiar to her as  
74 an esthetician.

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76 Cynthia Spencer reminded the board of Statute 08 13.080 (d) (2) on pages 3 and 4 in the Statutes and  
77 Regulations book.

78 "by passing a written examination approved by the board, demonstrate to the board or the  
79 board's designee safety, sanitation, sterilization, aseptic, and practice techniques that indicate that the  
80 applicant has adequate knowledge of infection control practices and requirements relating to tattooing,  
81 permanent cosmetic coloring, or body piercing, as applicable;"

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83 The board continue to discuss the specifics of the tattoo and micropigmentation needs and practices in  
84 Alaska in the context of a written exam.

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86 Jillian Nelson from NIC explained that examinees did not need to answer every question correctly in  
87 order to pass the exam. She continued that the NIC exams are built to with the guiding principal of  
88 public protection.

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90 Terriann Shell stated that this was a very good exam based on the development of and the style of  
91 exam.

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93 Chair McMullin stated that she was concerned with the availability of study materials and guides. She  
94 continued that if the questions were based on outdated information and techniques that are not being  
95 currently taught, how will they pass the exams.

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97 Ms. Shell stated that another positive point of this exam is that it is a national exam and that other  
98 states give this exam. Also, in keeping with the Governor's Right-Touch regulation, this would make it  
99 easy to get people to work who are moving to Alaska from out of state to work.

100 Ms. Spencer stated that this is a good point. She continued to explain that anyone coming to Alaska  
101 from out of state right now, the board is required to review their training and approve it. In previous  
102 boards, we were looking to remove or amend it specifically because it put up a barrier for licensure for  
103 folks coming from out of state. The other part is the exam. If folks have taken this exam in another  
104 state, this would speed up the process of licensure. This would eliminate this exam barrier if they have  
105 taken this exam in another state.

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107 Blake Thomas asked for a list of other states that use the NIC exam for tattoo and micropigmentation.  
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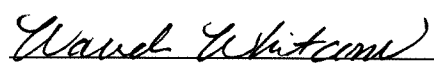
109 Chair McMullin stated that the vote could be tabled until next meeting giving the board more time to  
110 research the exam.

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112 **Upon a poll of the board, Chair McMullin ask that the vote on the NIC Tattoo and**  
113 **Micropigmentation written exam be tabled until the next board meeting**  
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115 **With no objections, the item was tabled until the January 25 – 26 meeting.**  
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117 *The Board adjourned at 10:45 a.m.*  
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119 Respectfully submitted:

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122 Wanda Whitcomb, Licensing Examiner  
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124 Approved:

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127 Michelle McMullin for Jennifer Lombardo, Chairperson  
128 Board of Barbers and Hairdressers  
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130 Date: Jan 20 2021

