

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 August 12, 2021
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9 By the authority of AS 08.01.070(2) and AS 08.86.030 and in compliance with the provisions of AS 44.62
10 Article 6, a scheduled meeting of the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers was held via teleconference and
11 videoconference and at State Office Bldg., 9th Floor, Conference Room A, August 12, 2021.
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13 **Item 1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

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15 The meeting of the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers was called to order by Michelle McMullin, Chair at
16 9:10 a.m. Members present were:
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18 **Roll Call**

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20 **Board Members Present, constituting a Quorum:**

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22 Michelle McMullin, Nail Technician, Chairperson
23 Connie Dougherty, Hairdresser/Esthetician
24 Holly Andrews, Esthetician
25 Vershawn (Shawn) Idom, Barber
26 Tina Taylor, Hairdresser
27 Vacant, Public Member
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29 **Excused from attending**

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31 Khitsana Sypakanphay, Tattoo/Permanent Cosmetic Colorist
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33 **Present from the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing were:**

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35 Cynthia Spencer, Records and Licensing Supervisor
36 Wanda Whitcomb, Licensing Examiner
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38 **Members of the Public Present:**

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40 Galina Grechkin
41 Marlene Smith
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43 **Item 2. Review/Amend agenda**

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45 Board Chair, Michelle McMullin, requested the board to review the agenda changes and provide
46 amendments.
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48 The board approved the agenda with no amendments.
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50 **Item 3. Ethics Disclosure**

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Item 4. Application Review

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A. Applications for Barber, Esthetician, and Hairdressers Licenses Submitted by Marlene Smith

Cynthia Spencer, Licensing Supervisor, discussed with the board that the regulations outlining the requirements for licensure by waiver of exam and the board’s choices in responding to the applications submitted by Ms. Smith.

Ms. Spencer explained to the board that the meeting has no public comment time scheduled, however the board could respond to comments by Ms. Smith if they wished. Ms. Spencer went on to state that if the board had specific questions on training, they could address these to Ms. Smith.

Connie Dougherty stated that it seems the board often has these questions come up with license transfers from Oregon. Ms. Dougherty further stated that this is not something the board can address at this board meeting, but maybe the board needs to work with Oregon so that transition of licensure is easier between states. She asked for advice on how to get this on the agenda for the next board meeting.

Michelle McMullin reviewed the process of adding items to the agenda for October meeting.

Ms. Spencer explained to the board that Alaska is one of the few states that takes on the role of keepers of training records and transcripts for students and apprentices. Ms. Spencer stated that the documents submitted on behalf of Ms. Smith as verification of license from Oregon is typical.

Chair McMullin requested a motion to hold a roll call vote on the license applications submitted by Marlene Smith.

Ms. Spencer stated that as there are three separate applications submitted by Ms. Smith, there should be a motion made for each application to approve, table, or deny each application.

Ms. Whitcomb addressed the board to review the documents submitted by Ms. Smith and that the board was currently looking at the application for esthetician. Ms. Whitcomb reviewed the training document submitted and the areas covered with number of hours completed for the three training areas listed on the transcript.

Ms. Spencer reviewed the statutory authority covering applications for esthetician, barber, non-chemical barber or hairdresser licensure Statute 08.13.080 and Regulation 12 AAC 09.090;12 AAC 09.095; 12 AAC 09.100.

The board discussed how they would like to proceed with the application and how to set forth the motion for voting.

On a motion duly made by Shawn Idom, seconded by Holly Andrews and approved unanimously by roll call vote, the board approved to table the application for Esthetician license submitted by Marlene Smith in accordance with Statute ~~See~~ 08.13.080 and Regulation 12 AAC 09.090 and 12 AAC 09.100.

On a motion duly made by Tina Taylor, seconded by Holly Andrews and approved unanimously by roll call vote, the board approved to table the application for Hairdresser license by waiver of exam submitted by Marlene Smith in accordance with Statue 08.13.080 and Regulation 12 AAC 09.095.

On a motion duly made by Connie Dougherty seconded by Tina Taylor and approved unanimously by roll call vote, the board approved to table the application for Barber

106 **license by waiver of exam submitted by Marlene Smith in accordance with Statue**
107 **08.13.080 and 12 AAC 09.095.**

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109 **The board stated that if Marlene Smith completes required training for each license**
110 **type, she may apply by examination again.**

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112 B. Application for Hairdresser License by Waiver of Exam Submitted by Galina Grechkin

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114 Ms. Whitcomb provided the history of Galina Grechkin's application for hairdresser license by waiver of
115 exam and the issuance of a temporary permit for hairdressing while waiting to gather other verification
116 for Ms. Grechkin's full license.

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118 Ms. Whitcomb reviewed Ms. Grechkin's training transcript from Oregon. Ms. Whitcomb explained that
119 per Oregon requirements, Ms. Grechkin completed a written cosmetology exam and completed a
120 practical exam at the school level. Ms. Whitcomb informed the board this is why Ms. Grechkin was
121 required to request a transcript be submitted from her school.

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123 Ms. Whitcomb stated that upon review of Ms. Grechkin's transcript, it was noted that she did not meet
124 the training hour requirement for Alaska; when contacted, Ms. Grechkin explained that she was licensed
125 by competency. Ms. Whitcomb contacted Oregon's licensing board and a training center in Oregon to
126 confirm and clarify "licensing by competency". Ms. Whitcomb explained to the board that Oregon has
127 two schools who are approved to provide competency-based training.

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129 Ms. Whitcomb reviewed Ms. Grechkin's transcript and Oregon verification of license with the board and
130 pointed out the total 861.25 total hours of training Ms. Grechkin received. Ms. Whitcomb stated that
131 according to Alaska's regulations for licensure, applicants are required to have 1650 hours of training,
132 1500 hours of training and 1 year of work experience, or 1000 hours of training and at least 2 years of
133 verified work experience to be licensed by waiver of exam. Ms. Grechkin does not meet the minimum
134 hour requirement.

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136 Chair McMullin ask if Ms. Grechkin could receive more training in Alaska. Ms. Spencer stated that yes,
137 Ms. Grechkin could complete more training hours here; staff could evaluate her transcripts and give an
138 audit of what is needed for Ms. Grechkin to complete her training. Ms. Spencer stated that Ms.
139 Grechkin completed all of the hairdresser practical operation requirements per the submitted affidavit
140 of training received from Beau Monde Academy.

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142 Chair McMullin stated that she would like to table this application until Ms. Grechkin completes the
143 remaining hours needed.

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145 Upon review of the statues and regulations, Ms. Spencer stated that Ms. Grechkin meets the two years
146 of work experience and with the 861.25 hours, needs to complete an additional 138.75 hours of training
147 to meet the minimum 1,000 hours of training needed. Ms. Spencer also stated, Ms. Grechkin must keep
148 the Oregon license valid until the training is complete and her Alaska license is issued.

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150 Chair McMullin requested a motion be made if the board agreed to table the application until the 1,000
151 hours of education have been completed and that Ms. Grechkin keeps her Oregon license valid.

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153 **On a motion duly made by Tina Taylor seconded by Holly Andrews and approved**
154 **unanimously by roll call vote, the board approved to table the application for**
155 **Hairdresser license by waiver of exam submitted by Galina Grechkin in accordance**
156 **with Statue 08.13.080 and Regulation 12 AAC 09.095(a), and that she must complete**
157 **138.75 hours of training and must keep her Oregon license current until her Alaska**
158 **license is issued.**

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160 Chair McMullin and Mr. Idom discussed board training and how this was a learning experience for board
161 members.
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163 The board continued to discuss reviewing licenses and various states requirements for license and how
164 this relates to Alaska requirements.
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166 *The Board adjourned at 10:05 a.m.*

167 Respectfully submitted:

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170 Wanda Whitcomb, Licensing Examiner
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176 Michelle McMullin, Chairperson
177 Board of Barbers and Hairdressers
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