

A meeting of the State Board of Cosmetologists was held on Monday, February 6, 2017, in the 3rd floor conference room, Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation Building, 500 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

The following members were in attendance:

- Mr. Charles Riser, Acting Chair
- Ms. Piccola Winkey, Industry Member
- Ms. Bob Zupko, Industry Member
- Ms. Valerie Mascaro, Industry Member
- Ms. Rachel Allen, Industry Member

Others present:

- Ms. Victoria Wilkins, Commissioner
- Ms. Shirley Leach, Executive Director
- Ms. Erica Lewis, Deputy Executive Director
- Mr. Eric London, Assistant Attorney General

### Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 AM by Mr. Riser.

### Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. Mascaro to approve the agenda. Mr. Zupko seconded the motion, and the Board voted unanimously to approve.

### Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Allen to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2016, Board meeting. Ms. Mascaro seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

## New Business

### **Translation of the nail technician licensing exam into Chinese presentation**

American University Law students Stephanie Liao and Megan Glaub came before the Board to present additional information as it relates to nail technicians who speak Chinese. Ms. Liao and Ms. Glaub stated that Chinese was the third most common language spoken in Maryland, with over 70,000 individuals speaking the language. After further discussion, the Board agreed on forwarding this information to the Secretary's office.

### **Conviction review: H. Njoku**

After careful review of the record, it was determined by majority vote that H. Njoku was approved to have her license.

### **House Bill 250**

Ms. Shirley Leach, Executive Director, presented to the Board information on House Bill 250, which dealt with special funding for the State Board. Ms. Leach stated that the Department intended to take a position in support of this legislation at the upcoming hearing.

## Old Business

### **Blow-dry license curriculum**

The Board discussed creation of a subcommittee to review the curriculum for the blow-dry license. Once the curriculum is established, it will be submitted to the Maryland Department of Higher Education for approval.

## Public Comment

None.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ms. Winkey to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Zupko and the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM.