

BOARD OF ELECTROLYSIS EXAMINERS

MINUTES

DATE: October 11, 2007
TIME: 10:00 AM

LOCATION: 227 French Landing, Poplar Room
Heritage Place, Metro Center
Nashville, TN 37243

MEMBERS PRESENT: Eldon Pippin, Electrologist, Chair
Dorothy Goode, Electrologist
Richard Collier, Educator

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kara Covington, Secretary
John C. Frist, Jr., Physician

STAFF PRESENT: Bonnie Ferrell, Board Administrator
Marva Swann, Unit Director
Jerry Kosten, Regulations Manager
Juanita Presley, Advisory Attorney
Lucy Bond, Advisory Attorney

GUESTS PRESENT: Carol Warren, Board Consultant
Andrea Ross, Electrologist
Jennifer Lytle, Electrologist Instructor

COURT REPORTER: Stephanie Briano, Cannon & Stacy

With a quorum being present the meeting was called to order by Mr. Eldon Pippin at 10:00 AM.

Conflict of Interest

Ms. Juanita Presley reviewed the Conflict of Interest Policy with the Board and reminded them of their responsibilities. She requested those members who had not already done so to sign the Conflict of Interest Policy and submit it to Ms. Bonnie Ferrell.

Office of General Counsel

Ms. Presley informed the board there are currently no legal matters to be discussed at this meeting.

Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Richard Collier and seconded by Ms. Dorothy Goode to approve the June 15, 2007 Board meeting minutes. The motion carried.

Report of Ad Hoc Committee by Richard Collier

Mr. Collier was given the following charges to review and make recommendations:

1. Review legislation regulating the credentialing of electrologists by other states.
2. Review options for the most appropriate means to credential and govern the practice of electrology in Tennessee.
3. Explore options to increase revenues to offset costs of Board administration.

After much discussion, Mr. Collier presented the following recommendations to the Board.

- Increase fees to levels necessary to assure continued Board operations and avoid Sunset action
- Review and compare actual costs of regulatory oversight by means of Registry and the impact this change would have on fees
- Make necessary changes to rules regarding college credit requirements for licensure and reciprocity and conduct appropriate rules making hearing
- If necessitated by a decreasing number of licensed electrologists and the need to increase fees in the future, seek appropriate health related board willing to assume regulatory oversight.

Other findings:

1. Definition of electrolysis in the T.C.A. 63-26-101 may need amendment to conform to an FDA statement regarding laser use as permanent hair reduction
2. The practice of electrolysis is an allied health profession and should remain under regulatory oversight of a health related board should dissolution of current make-up be necessary.

Mr. Collier made a motion to defer any action regarding his recommendations to the January 17, 2007 meeting. Ms. Goode seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Mr. Collier requested Ms. Ferrell to have a report from Ms. Lisa Title regarding staff wages.

Rules

Mr Jerry Kosten presented the rule amendments that went to rule making hearing on August 16, 2007 regarding the following:

- Rule 0540-1-.06, Fees
- Rule 0540-1-.20, Advertising
- Rule 0540-3-.06 Fees

A motion was made by Mr. Collier to accept the rule amendments as written. Ms. Goode seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Ms. Goode – yes

Mr. Collier –yes

Mr. Eldon Pippin – yes

There being no further business Mr. Collier made a motion to adjourn at 11:30am. Ms. Goode seconded the motion and the motion carried.

These minutes were ratified at the January 17, 2008, Board Meeting.