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Board Considers New Exam Vendors New Raleigh Exam Facility Welcomed

During the January Board meeting, the Board heard presentations from five exam vendors as they consider the recipient of the October 2007 exam provider contract. Promissor has held the contract since October 2004 and is also working to remain as the Board's provider. Currently, exams are conducted jointly with Promissor as candidates take the written exam at six Promissor testing facilities across the state. The Board decided last summer to retain practical exams using their own personnel and conduct them primarily at their Raleigh office. The Board's hope is that written exams can still be conducted via computer from sites across the

state, while practical exams will be moved to a new exam facility just half mile from the Board office in Raleigh. The Board will finally receive access to the exam facility in mid-February. Teacher exams will still be conducted at the main Board office. Vendors bidding for the contract include Promissor, Thomson Prometric of Baltimore, DL Roope of Hampden, Maine, PSI from Burbank, California, and the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology (NIC) from Little Rock, Arkansas. Major points emphasized during the presentations were exam quality, speed of scoring results, and ease of candidate registration. The



Board noted that in the past 10 years, the wait time from candidate registration to the exam date has been reduced from 3 months to a few days, provided a testing slot is available. Score reporting time has been reduced from 30 days to 30 minutes. The Board strives to offer the best possible testing service for all candidates. The exam vendor selection is scheduled for the July 17 Board meeting.

Shops Renewals Online Now!

In an effort to make renewals easier, the Board has made online license renewals a reality for shops. Simply use the last four digits of your salon file number to access your file and initiate the renewal. Save yourself time to pick up a money order and use your

computer to get faster service, as licenses are printed and returned to you in about 5 days. Fees remain unchanged (\$3 per active chair + \$10 processing fee + \$10 late fee for renewals after February 1). Licenses not renewed until after March 1 are subject to a

\$25 reinstatement fee. If you don't have computer access, you may still renew using a money order and mailing us the renewal application. Personal checks will incur a 30 day delay in receiving your license. Any questions? Call Vernet Brumley, at (919) 715-3170.

Schools/Shops Sanitation Update

The number of schools/shops receiving a B grade during October—December 2006 was 100. This shows a significant drop from the 138 establishments receiving a B from the previous quarter. Salon owners also need to insure their salon is properly licensed for 2007.

Schools:

**Carolina Beauty College
Durham**

**Fayetteville Beauty College
Fayetteville**

**Cosmetic Arts Center of Education,
Greensboro**

**Saigon Nail College
Greensboro**

**Jordan Matthews High School
Siler City**

**Regency Beauty Academy
Spring Lake**

**Halifax Community College
Weldon**

**Burlington:
Pro Nails
Shirley Beauty Salon**

**Charlotte:
4-Ever Nails
Ann Nails
Axucar Salon
Best Nails & Tan
Dynasty Nails (2 consecutive
months)
Escape Nails & Tan, LLC
Foxy Nails
Free To Be You
Hair Uno Inc. (2 consecutive
months)
Hera by Him
Imaginations Hair Salon II
Just Jane & Co.
K & N Spa Nails**

**K Nails & Spa
LX Nails Spa & Tan
My Bella Spa
Nails @ University
Nails on NC
NC Nails
New Style
Design
Polished
Regis #2715
Rose Nail
Styles by Christy P St 26
Van Nails**

**Cornelius:
Paradise Citi Salon & Spa
Star Nail
Style Nails
V Nails**

**Denver:
Jennie Nail & Spa
Nails For U**

**Durham:
LC Nails
Magic Nails**

**Fayetteville:
#1 Nails
Domination & Kolours
Luxury Nails
Regal Nails, Skibo Rd.
Regal Nails, Raeford Rd.**

**Holly Springs:
Nail 1st
Nail Experts**

**Lincolnton:
Bally Nails
Kim Nails & Tan
Nu Image Salon
Regal Nails**

**Lumberton:
Fantastic Sams
Hair & Body Gallery**

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**Pineville:
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Hair Cuttery #2170
Le Fi Nail & Spa
Nail Spa**

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Sanitation Update Continued...

Raleigh:

**Amy Nails
Hairport
International Coiffure
Magic Nails
My Nails, Inc.
Shear Elegance
Sunnys Salon**

Wilmington:

**Prime Cuts Hair Design
Candies Beauty Salon
NC Nails
NE Nails (2 different months)
Belleza Maria (2 consecutive months)
The Rage**

**Lucy & Tee Tee Beauty Salon, Ahoskie
VIP Nails, Apex
Majestic Nails, Asheville
Spa Nails, Belmont
Razors Edge, Brevard
Exotic Nails, Carolina Beach (2 different months)
Stylish Concepts, China Grove
Glamour Nails, Concord
Sassy Nails, Dallas
Belleza Maria, Eden
Gladys Hair Shop, Fair Bluff
OP Nails, Garner
Majestic Nails, Gastonia
Fancy Nails, Goldsboro
Pro Nails, Highlands
Nail Up Spa, Huntersville
Great Clips for Hair #3071, Indian Trail
Pro Nail Care, Jamestown
Q.T. Nails, Lexington
Georgiana's, Louisburg
Glamour Nails, Mount Holly
Regal Nail, Murphy
KD Nails, Spencer
Pro Nails, Spindale
Deluxe Nails, Stanley
Beautiful You Nails & Spa, Swansboro
Drahcir Beauty Salon, Winston-Salem**

**NOTE: Disciplinary Actions can now be found on our website:
www.nccosmeticarts.com**



**North Carolina State
Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners
1201 Front Street, Suite 110 - Raleigh, NC 27609**

FOOTSPA CLEANING and DISINFECTION RECORD

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CE—Frequently Asked Questions

I completed 20 years of active practice last year; am I exempt from CE?

No, only if you completed 20 years of practice as of October 1, 2004 can you be exempted. Our other exemption period is for 60 years of age **and** having 10 years of experience. These are state laws and cannot be waived.

I haven't completed any CE. Where can I find out what classes are available?

You can go to our website at www.nccosmeticarts.com and view the latest CE listing. Just

click on “continuing education”.

I can't remember how many hours of CE I've earned. How can I find out my hour total?

That's an easy solution. Go to our website and click on “CE Credit Check”. You'll need your license and the last four digits of your social security number to access the system and check on your hours. A cosmetologist will need 24 total credit hours to renew.

I want to keep my license but don't feel that I can go to CE classes at

this time. What can I do?

If you prefer to keep your license and delay CE, we recommend having the license placed on the inactive list. When inactive, you keep your license and can defer CE to a later date. You must still renew the license as before, but you will not be required to complete CE as a condition for renewal. To reactivate the license, you will need to pay a \$10 reactivation fee and complete up to 24 hours of CE depending on the length of inactive time. An inactive license can only be used for product purchases.

New Rules Receive Board Approval

During January's Board meeting, four new rules received approval.

(1) In the continuing education area, new licensees can be exempted from 8 hours of CE until the licensing period commencing after their initial licensure. (2) Footspas may now use an EPA registered, hospital/

pseudomonacidal and tuberculocidal, instead of a water and bleach solution for proper disinfection. (3) Concerning transfer of training credit, up to 50% of all credit earned in an esthetician or manicurist teacher training program can be transferred to a cos-

metology teacher training program, and a maximum of 160 hours can be transferred between manicurist and esthetician teacher programs. (4) Persons contesting a civil penalty, who file to have a hearing, but fail to show will still be required to pay for the proceeding.

Board Applies Handling Fee to Overpayments

In an effort to curb an increasing trend of licensing fee overpayments, the Board has initiated a \$5 postage and handling fee to be applied to all overpayments. As a result, an overpayment of \$5 or less will be lost to pay for processing the transaction.

All refunds of \$5 or less from 2002—2006 will be turned over to the State Treasurer Unclaimed Property Program. If you are to receive a refund from those years, please contact C.J. Neiman, Board Accounting Officer, at (919) 733-

4117, ext. 223. Your information will be forwarded to the Treasury Department for action. To avoid any overpayment transaction, we stress the importance of paying the exact licensing fee amount, or renewing licenses on our website.

Candice Jones Tracking Exams

Last May, the Board hired Candice Jones to work as the liaison with our exam vendor, Promissor. She fields numerous calls with exam concerns, while verifying school graduation certificates, and authorizing temporary work permits.

Candice also verifies teacher exam applications. She attended UNC, Chapel Hill, majored in Spanish and is a native of Tarboro. Candice frequently deals with candidates from outside the US to acquire an exam date. This where her Spanish

speaking skills have proved valuable solving candidate problems. Candice spends her time off the job reading and writing poetry. She also claims to be a shopaholic, hunting for the best bargain around. We're glad to have Candice on the team!

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BOARD MEETINGS

APRIL 24, 2007

JULY 17, 2007

OCTOBER 2, 2007

Meetings are held at the Board Office:

1201 Front St., Ste. 110

Raleigh, NC 27609

Cosmetic Art Clips!

- With the approval of online CE courses, we have had questions about online basic cosmetic art education for licensure purposes. Only Board approved cosmetic art schools are authorized to provide training for a state license. Although online schools appear to be approved in North Carolina, they are not. Beware of such internet schools, and don't confuse them with hands-on approved schools.
- Online renewals will become available for cosmetologists on July 1, 2007. Renewing online will result in a fast mail-out turnaround of your license.
- CE providers will be able to pay for CE courses online beginning February 15. Instructions will be made available on our website.
- Continuing education courses,

submitted for Board approval on April 24, must arrive in our office by March 28. Curriculum Committee review and recommendation is scheduled for April 11.

- Exam pass rate results were tallied for 2006:

	<u>Practical%</u>	<u>Written%</u>
Cos.	87.9	74.1
Man.	82.2	56.3
Esth.	80.8	85.4
Teacher	28.8	92.9

- Board office direct line phone numbers (919 area code):

Salon Operations	715-3170
School Operations	733-7748
Personal Licenses	715-3178
Continuing Education	715-3174
Enforcement Officer	715-0018
Exam Processor	715-3171
Reciprocity Admin.	733-7478
Operations Officer	715-3179