



MINUTES

**Nevada State Board of Cosmetology
Board Meeting Group
August 24 2020 NVBOS Board Meeting MORNING SESSION
Monday, August 24, 2020, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Board Meeting**

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ZOOM MEETING ID: 923 3321 9131

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A. Roll Call

B. Mission Statement

The mission of the Nevada State Board of Cosmetology is to protect the public health, safety and welfare of those that obtain cosmetology related services through the delivery of quality Testing, Licensing, Inspection and Education Services that focus on consumer protection.

C. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings - *For discussion and possible action*

Board to review minutes from the August 10, 2020 Morning and Afternoon meetings.

D. Comments from the General Public - *For discussion only*

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E. Discussion of DRAFT document Emergency Regulation regarding remote education for practical hours and exams - *For discussion and possible action*

Board to discuss emergency regulation allowing for remote teaching of practical hours and testing.

F. Formation of a Law Review Subcommittee. - *For discussion and possible action*

Board to discuss formation of a law review subcommittee.

G. Formation of a permanent hybrid education subcommittee. - *For discussion and possible action*

Board to discuss the formation of a permanent hybrid education subcommittee

H. Comments from the General Public - *For discussion only*

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I. Comments from Board Members - *For discussion only*

J. Adjournment - *For possible action*

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Nevada State Board of Cosmetology Board Meeting Group August 10 2020 NVBOC Board Meeting MORNING SESSION Monday, August 10, 2020, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Board Meeting



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Not In Attendance

Anita Louise Douglass

A. Roll Call

Board called to order at 9:03 AM.

B. Pledge of Allegiance**C. Mission Statement**

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E. Approval of Minutes from previous meetings - *For discussion and possible action*

Board to review minutes from the July 13, 2020 Morning and Afternoon Sessions.

F. Discussion of Whether to Proceed with Temporary Regulation regarding Remote Education for Practical Hours and Exams - *For discussion and possible action*

Board to discuss possible addition of an emergency regulation allowing for remote teaching of practical hours and testing.

Tabled. Placed on the August 24, 2020 NVBOC Board Meeting Agenda Morning Session.

Move: Kai Stanton Second: Bryan Baltazar Status: Passed

G. Discussion of Temporary Regulation- *For discussion and possible action*

Board to discuss a potential temporary law changes to NAC and NRS 644A to allow for remote education for practical hours and exams.

Tabled. Placed on the August 24, 2020 NVBOC Board Meeting Agenda Morning Session.

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Annie Safaddi from Paul Mitchell School and Lu Suarez from Euphoria Institute discussed the need for distance practical education.

I. Comments from Board Members - *For discussion only*

Gwen Braimoh and Kai Stanton requested more information regarding other State regulations regarding distance practical learning. Bryan Baltazar requested an action item for the formation of a law review committee.

J. Adjournment - *For possible action*

Adjourned at 10:41 AM.

Move: Kai Stanton Second: Bryan Baltazar Status: Passed

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No comments from the General Public.

E. Law and Procedures Review - *For discussion and possible action*

Board to discuss possible changes to NRS and NAC 644A, including all of NRS 644A.010 through NRS 644A.975 and NAC 644A.001 through NAC 644A.990. The Board will also review and discuss possible changes to current Board policies and procedures.

Board requested to review the following NRS items:

NRS 644A.075 "Esthetics" defined.

NRS 644A.085 "Hair braiding" defined.

- NRS 644A.130 “Shampoo technologist” defined.
- NRS 644A.215 Officers.
- NRS 644A.220 Meetings; salary of members; per diem allowances and travel expenses of members and employees; payment of compensation and expenses.
- NRS 644A.225 Employees, attorneys and other professional consultants.
- NRS 644A.230 Duties and compensation of employees; offices; records and files; seal; subpoenas.
- NRS 644A.255 Limitations on information that may be included on license or certificate for public display.
- NRS 644A.330 Estheticians: Qualifications for examination.
- NRS 644A.335 Estheticians: Scope of examination.
- NRS 644A.340 Esthetician’s apprentice: Qualifications of applicant; waiver; application for certificate of registration; fee; expiration and renewal of certificate of registration.
- NRS 644A.505 Duplicate license or certificate of registration; fee.
- NRS 644A.530 Display of license or certificate of registration.
- NRS 644A.615 Display of license; limitation on persons to whom space may be leased; limitation on persons who may be employed.
- NRS 644A.650 Application for license; verbal review; issuance and activation of license; on-site inspection; fees.
- NRS 644A.655 Notice of change of ownership, name, services offered or location; new license required for operation after change; approval of changes in physical structure of establishment by Board.
- NRS 644A.660 Expiration of license; effect of failure to timely pay renewal fee.
- NRS 644A.665 Display of license.
- NRS 644A.670 Practice of hair braiding by certain licensees.
- NRS 644A.675 Supervision by licensed person.
- NRS 644A.680 Food and beverage sales.
- NRS 644A.710 Display of license.
- NRS 644A.800 Advertisements for services relating to practice of cosmetology.
- NRS 644A.855 Temporary suspension of license or certificate of registration for prostitution or other sexual offense; cease and desist order; duration of suspension; request for hearing; final decision.
- NRS 644A.930 Unlawful to duplicate for illegal purposes or alter license or certificate of registration.

Board requested to review the following NAC items:

- NAC 644A.085 Deviation from regulations.
- NAC 644A.225 Hours of training required for student enrolled at licensed school of cosmetology.
- NAC 644A.230 Credit for incomplete hours in courses.
- NAC 644A.260 Credit for advanced training; continuing education.
- NAC 644A.520 Inspection of establishment by Board; refusal to grant access constitutes grounds for disciplinary action.
- NAC 644A.530 “Mobile cosmetological establishment” defined.
- NAC 644A.535 Filing of application for license to operate or for transfer of ownership.
- NAC 644A.540 Contents of application for license to operate or for transfer of ownership.
- NAC 644A.545 Inspection of establishment after initial approval of floor plan and application.
- NAC 644A.550 Delivery of license or return of application.
- NAC 644A.555 Removal of equipment from establishment constitutes license null and void.
- NAC 644A.560 Submission of monthly itinerary to Board; notification of changes in itinerary.
- NAC 644A.565 Compliance with general standards required.
- NAC 644A.570 Supply of water.

<u>NAC 644A.575</u>	Disposal of waste.
<u>NAC 644A.580</u>	Electrical system.
<u>NAC 644A.600</u>	Minimum requirements for space and accommodations.
<u>NAC 644A.603</u>	Minimum requirements for equipment.
<u>NAC 644A.605</u>	Filing of standard contract, rules and financial forms with Board.
<u>NAC 644A.610</u>	Registration of students with Board.
<u>NAC 644A.615</u>	Registrar: Appointment; duties.
<u>NAC 644A.618</u>	Instruction of students by licensed instructors; requirement for students to wear badges; limitation on practice by students.
<u>NAC 644A.620</u>	Administration and maintenance of time records.
<u>NAC 644A.625</u>	Preparation and maintenance of final time records.
<u>NAC 644A.630</u>	Curriculum for cosmetologists; exemption for barbers in certain circumstances; credit for attending field trips.
<u>NAC 644A.632</u>	Curriculum for hair designers; credit for attending field trips.
<u>NAC 644A.634</u>	Curriculum for estheticians; credit for attending field trips.
<u>NAC 644A.636</u>	Curriculum for nail technologists; credit for attending field trips.
<u>NAC 644A.638</u>	Curriculum for provisional instructors and student instructors.
<u>NAC 644A.640</u>	Transfer of credit hours.
<u>NAC 644A.642</u>	Recesses and breaks.
<u>NAC 644A.644</u>	Prohibition against requiring students to purchase supplies for use in course of study.
<u>NAC 644A.646</u>	Prohibition against deducting earned credit as punishment.
<u>NAC 644A.650</u>	Advertising; display of sign stating services performed by students.
<u>NAC 644A.655</u>	Schools located within the Department of Corrections.
<u>NAC 644A.700</u>	Drinking cups and facilities.
<u>NAC 644A.705</u>	Disposal of waste.
<u>NAC 644A.710</u>	Exhaust systems.
<u>NAC 644A.715</u>	Restrooms.
<u>NAC 644A.720</u>	Walls, floors, ceilings, furnishings, equipment and fixtures.
<u>NAC 644A.725</u>	Plumbing; dispensary sink; floor coverings.
<u>NAC 644A.730</u>	Headrests; shampoo bowls; towels and linens; neck strips; treatment tables; disposal of certain instruments and supplies; brushes.
<u>NAC 644A.735</u>	Foot spas.
<u>NAC 644A.740</u>	Disinfectants; instruments, implements and other tools; sterilization equipment; disposable articles; single-use items.
<u>NAC 644A.745</u>	Clippers, vibrators and other electrical instruments.
<u>NAC 644A.750</u>	Wax pots.
<u>NAC 644A.755</u>	Cosmetics and other preparations.
<u>NAC 644A.760</u>	Hot steamed towels.
<u>NAC 644A.765</u>	Requirement for licensees and students to wash hands.
<u>NAC 644A.770</u>	Requirement for clean outer garments and adequate footwear.
<u>NAC 644A.775</u>	Infectious or communicable diseases; infestations of animal parasites.
<u>NAC 644A.780</u>	Clients with inflamed or infected skin or secretions of bodily fluids.
<u>NAC 644A.785</u>	Restrictions on removal of skin by cosmetologist or esthetician.
<u>NAC 644A.790</u>	Prohibited invasive procedures.

NAC <u>644A.795</u>	Cleaning and disinfecting of wigs and hairpieces.
NAC <u>644A.800</u>	Cosmetic products: Prohibited products and uses.
NAC <u>644A.805</u>	Prohibited devices: Removal from premises; punishment.
NAC <u>644A.810</u>	Place of practice: Licensed cosmetological establishment; exceptions.
NAC <u>644A.815</u>	Place of practice: Donated services.
NAC <u>644A.820</u>	Place of practice: Private residences.
NAC <u>644A.825</u>	Place of practice: Practice by holder of limited license; services offered; use of appointment book or system.
NAC <u>644A.860</u>	Schedule of fines; disciplinary hearings.
NAC <u>644A.870</u>	Grounds for disciplinary action.
NAC <u>644A.920</u>	Service of process.
NAC <u>644A.930</u>	General requirements.
NAC <u>644A.940</u>	Petition to appear before the Board.
NAC <u>644A.970</u>	Petitions.
NAC <u>644A.975</u>	Procedure for consideration of petition.
NAC <u>644A.980</u>	Draft of declaratory order or advisory opinion by member of Board; notice to petitioner.
NAC <u>644A.985</u>	Compliance with declaratory order or advisory opinion required.

The Board requested to review the following Policies and Procedures:

Social Media Salon Job Postings

Board Officer/Member Duties

Email Procedures for Board Members, A.G. and Staff

Expense sheets that auto-populate

Agendas to Board members in advance of the 3-day posting for public notice

BoardPaq agendas and supplemental materials after meeting date.

Town Hall Meetings

Fiscal Policies and Procedures (specifically retroactive Per Diem pay)

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There were no comments from the General Public.

G. Comments from Board Members - *For discussion only*

There were no comments from Board Members.

H. Adjournment - *For possible action*

Meeting adjourned at 2:43 PM.

Move: Kai Stanton Second: Bryan Baltazar Status: Passed



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VIA EMAIL AND CERTIFIED MAIL #TBD

The Honorable Steve Sisolak, Governor
101 North Carson Street--Suite #1
Carson City, NV 89701

RE: Emergency regulation allowing for practical hours to be earned remotely

Dear Governor Sisolak:

The Nevada State Board of Cosmetology has determined that an emergency as defined by NRS 241.020. Specifically, on March 12, 2020, the Governor issued a Declaration of Emergency, given the current pandemic associated with COVID-19. Because of the current state of the State, schools of cosmetology are seeing an increase in students withdrawing from cosmetology programs, as a result of not being able to earn the practical hours necessary to graduate, as current regulation prohibits hands-on practical training at home or in a cosmetological establishment, and students are further prohibited from giving demonstrations other than those required of them by the school of cosmetology at the location of the school or while on a field trip supervised by the instructors of the school.

Pursuant to NRS 233B.0613, the Board is respectfully requesting an emergency regulation in Chapter NRS 644A of the Nevada Administrative Code that permits remote, hands-on practical training on mannequins to be counted toward the total number of practical hours necessary for graduation.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary K. Landry
Executive Director
Nevada State Board of Cosmetology

Steve Sisolak
Governor-State of Nevada

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EMERGENCY REGULATION OF THE
NEVADA STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

August 10, 2020

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

This emergency regulation has been submitted under the authority of NRS 644A.275.

NRS 644A.275 authorizes Nevada State Board of Cosmetology to adopt reasonable regulations related to the practice and governance of cosmetology. The provisions of this regulation do not apply to unlicensed individuals or individuals who are already licensed to practice cosmetology or any branch thereof.

Chapter 644A of NAC is hereby amended as follows:

NAC 644A.618 Instruction of students by licensed instructors; requirement for students to wear badges; limitation on practice by students. (NRS 644A.275, 644A.735, 644A.745)

1. A school of cosmetology:
 - (a) Shall maintain a staff of licensed instructors who are competent to give instruction in all subjects of its curriculum, including, without limitation, the subjects required by regulation of the Board.
 - (b) Shall not use a licensed student instructor as a student operator.
2. Each student in cosmetology, esthetics, nail technology, electrology or hair designing shall wear a badge with the word “student” inscribed on it. This badge must be worn at all times when the student is in attendance at the school. The student may not work on the public until the student has completed a preliminary training period of 300 hours for students in cosmetology or hair design, 150 hours for students in esthetics or electrology and 100 hours for students in nail technology.
3. *Except in a state of emergency, as declared by the Governor, and upon a majority vote of the Board,* students shall not practice at home or in a cosmetological establishment and shall not give demonstrations other than those required of them by the school of cosmetology at the location of the school or while on a field trip supervised by the instructors of the school.
 - (a) *Should the Board allow practice at home, such practice is limited solely to practice on a mannequin.*
4. No instructor in a licensed school of cosmetology may, during the hours in which he or she is on duty as an instructor, devote his or her time to the public or to the private practice of

cosmetology for compensation. Each instructor shall devote the instructor's full time during the hours he or she is on duty as an instructor to instructing students.

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INFORMATIONAL STATEMENT OF ADOPTED REGULATIONS AS REQUIRED BY NRS

233B.066

This following information statement numerically conforms to the subsection of 233B.066

**A CLEAR AND CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE NEED FOR THE ADOPTED
REGULATION**

Nevada has 16 licensed schools of cosmetology and more than 1,900 enrolled students. In order to graduate from a cosmetology program, students must complete both theoretical (lectured instruction) and practical hours (hands-on performance of cosmetology services on the clinical floor of the school). When Cosmetology schools were ordered to close on March 20, 2020 students were able to earn theory hours remotely via online lectures where participation and attendance were tracked by school staff. Unlike theory hours, students are prohibited from earning practical hours outside of a school of cosmetology pursuant to NRS 644A.618. Unable to earn the practical hours necessary to graduate, students withdrew from cosmetology programs prior to becoming licensed in order to take paying jobs, outside of the cosmetology field.

Schools reopened on May 29, 2020 operating at 50% occupancy. Reopening at half occupancy and maintaining an acceptable social distance between students requires that not all enrolled students in need of practical hours be present at the school and practicing on the clinical floor at one time, further delaying graduation and ultimately delaying licensure. As COVID-19 cases are rising, students are withdrawing from the program citing ADA medical considerations related to performing practical services on the clinical floor of their schools near other students and customers.

Should COVID-19 cases continue to climb or if a student or staff member at the school test positive for the virus and the school needs to close for an indefinite period of time, students would be unable to complete the necessary curriculum to graduate and become licensed. This regulation would allow students to remotely complete practical hours on mannequins, while receiving real-time oversight from licensed instructors using video communication services like Zoom and Skype.

**ESTIMATED ECONOMIC EFFECT OF THE REGULATION ON THE BUSINESS
WHICH IS TO REGULATE AND ON THE PUBLIC. THESE MUST BE STATED
SEPARATELY, AND IN EACH CASE MUST INCLUDE:**

(g) (1).BOTH ADVERSE AND BENEFICIAL EFFECTS

The Board of Cosmetology is not aware of any adverse effects on the schools, students or the public should students earn practical hours remotely. Remote practical learning would be an optional offering for schools and students. As a benefit, students would be able to start and complete their cosmetology programs without delays stemming from mandatory school closures or the school's occupancy limitations.

(g)(2) BOTH IMMEDIATE AND LONG-TERM EFFECTS

By allowing remote practical learning students will be able to earn the practical hours necessary for graduation even if schools are forced to close their doors because of COVID-19. The Board does not anticipate there being any measurable long-term effects on schools, students or the public.

(h) ESTIMATED COST TO THE AGENCY FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROPOSED REGULATION

There will be no additional costs to the agency for enforcement of the regulation.

(i) A DESCRIPTION OF ANY REGULATIONS OF OTHER STATE OR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WHICH THE PROPOSED REGULATION OVERLAPS OR DUPLICATES AND A STATEMENT EXPLAINING WHY THE DUPLICATION OR OVERLAPPING IS NECESSARY. IF THE REGULATION OVERLAPS OR DUPLICATES A FEDERAL REGULATION, THE NAME OF THE REGULATING FEDERAL AGENCY

The Board of Cosmetology is not aware of any regulation(s) of other state or government agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates.

(j) IF THE REGULATION INCLUDES PROVISIONS WHICH ARE MORE STRINGENT THAN A FEDERAL REGULATION WHICH REGULATES THE SAME ACTIVITY, A SUMMARY OF SUCH PROVISIONS.

The Board of Cosmetology is not aware of any federal regulation(s) which are more or less stringent and regulate the same activity.

(k) IF THE REGULATION PROVIDES A NEW FEE OR INCREASES AN EXISTING FEE, THE TOTAL ANNUAL AMOUNT THE AGENCY EXPECTS TO COLLECT AND THE MANNER IN WHICH THE MONEY WILL BE USED.

The regulation does not create a new fee or increase an existing fee.

Thursday, April 16, 2020

Dear School Owner or Interested Party:

In the last five weeks, the majority of NACCAS-accredited institutions have applied for, and been granted, temporary authorization to utilize distance education during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. With that approval, institutions are reminded that they must develop and implement a distance education policy that is consistent with the NACCAS *Policy on Distance Education (Policy VI.02)*. NACCAS has allowed three (3) exceptions to the policy during this extraordinary time:

1. *Item 2 of the Policy* is temporarily modified. The institution may use assessments that will be used for calculating a student's GPA during this temporary approval. However, upon the resumption of normal operations on campus, the institution must validate the student's understanding of material previously assessed via distance education.
2. *Item 3 of the Policy* is suspended during this temporary approval. Affected students should not be permitted on campus during this time.
3. *Item 5 of the Policy* is temporary modified. The institution must additionally provide notice to current students who will receive temporary distance education that academic achievement earned via distance education may not be accepted for reciprocity or eligible for licensure in other states. A signed and dated copy of this disclosure must be found in the student file.

As we continue to monitor the ongoing pandemic and the extended social distancing and stay-at-home orders across the country, NACCAS acknowledges that a significant number of students are likely to be faced with a scenario in which they will complete the remainder of their education before operations are able to resume normally at the institution. In such instances, the first exemption referenced above would require that the students should not graduate until such time that the school resumes on-campus instruction and can validate the student's understanding of material previously assessed via distance education.

In such instances as this (and subject to State regulation), the school may elect to assess the student's understanding verbally via telephone or video conferencing services in order that the student may graduate from the program. Please note that this option would not be available if school policy or State regulation requires a practical final examination to be conducted on-site prior to graduation.