

BOARD FOR BARBERS AND COSMETOLOGY

MINUTES OF MEETING

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

The Virginia Board for Barbers and Cosmetology held a public hearing on January 14, 2026, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation Offices, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2nd Floor, Board Room 1, Richmond, Virginia, to receive public comment regarding the Board’s proposed regulations published in the Virginia Register on December 15, 2025.

DPOR staff present for all, or part of the meeting included:

Tamika Rodriguez, Regulatory Operations Administrator
Wendy Duncan, Licensing Operations Administrator
Heather Garnett, Administrative Coordinator

Ms. Duncan began the public hearing regarding the Board’s proposed Cosmetology Compact amendment at 9:05 a.m. and read an introductory statement regarding the purpose and rules of the hearing.

There was no public comment (transcript attached).

There being no further comment, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

**COMMENCEMENT
OF PUBLIC
HEARING**

**PUBLIC COMMENT
PERIOD**

ADJOURNMENT

Gregory Edwards, Board Chair

Laura McClintock, Board Secretary

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL REGULATION

BOARD FOR BARBERS & COSMETOLOGY

IN RE: PUBLIC HEARING

HEARD BEFORE: WENDY DUNCAN

January 14, 2025

SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE CENTER

HENRICO, VIRGINIA 23233

9:00 A.M.

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APPEARANCES:

BOARD DESIGNEE: WENDY DUNCAN,
Licensing Operations Administrator

STAFF: HEATHER GARNETT, Administrative Coordinator
TAMIKA RODRIGUEZ, Regulatory Operations Administrator

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The Public Hearing convened

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at 9:00 a.m.

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MISS DUNCAN: Good morning. On the

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record, the Hearing is starting 9:05 a.m. I am Wendy Duncan,

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the Licensing Operations Administrator for the Virginia Board

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13 want to ask the Board, we can do that.

14 (Whereupon a brief pause was taken.)

15 MISS DUNCAN: Thank you for coming
16 today. For the record, this Public Hearing will be kept open
17 until February 13, 2026. And written comments will be accepted
18 until five p.m. that day.

19 This hearing is now closed. On the
20 record, the Hearing closed at 9:15 a.m.

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22 (Whereupon the Public Hearing concluded at 9:15 a.m.)
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1 CERTIFICATE OF COURT REPORTER

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4 I, Dawn Testa, hereby certify that I
5 was the Court Reporter at the Public Hearing, heard in the
6 County of Henrico, Virginia, on January 14, 2026, at the time
7 of the hearing herein.

8 I further certify that the foregoing
9 transcript is, to the best of my ability, a true and accurate
10 record of the testimony and incidents of the hearing herein.

11 Given under my hand this 14th day of
12 January, 2026.

13 *Dawn Testa*

14 Dawn Testa

15 Notary Registration No. 7811201

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17 My Commission Expires:
18 August 31, 2027
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