



State of Idaho  
Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses  
Idaho Barber and Cosmetology Services Licensing Board

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**Board Meeting Minutes of 03/02/2026**

<b>Board</b>	Debra J. Thompson – Chair	<b>Division</b>	Allegra Earl, Executive Officer
<b>Members</b>	Thomas Grimsman	<b>Staff:</b>	John Price, Investigations Bureau Chief
<b>Present:</b>	Mandie Abel		Greg Loos, Deputy General Counsel
	Ryan Evans		Skip Liddle, Investigations Program Manager
	Wendy Rucker		Steve Hogue, Investigations Supervisor
	Lindy High		Ben Harris, Licensing Supervisor
			Dyan Durham, Board Support Specialist
		<b>Others</b>	Eric Nelson, Board Prosecutor
		<b>Present:</b>	

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Debra Thompson.

**Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 12/01/2025 minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

**Introductions**

Division staff and Board members introduced themselves.

**DIVISION BUSINESS**

**Respectful Workplace Training:** A respectful workplace training was presented to the Board.

**Financial Update:** Ms. Earl presented the Board’s financial report for the second quarter of FY2026, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$47,047.00 as of December 31, 2025.

**2026 Legislative Session Overview:** Ms. Earl presented to the Board the 2026 legislative update. DOPL is proposing four pieces of executive agency legislation: H0505 Universal Discipline; H0496 Board merger of the Board of Podiatry into the Idaho State Board of Medicine; H0495 Board merger of the Board of Dentistry into the Idaho State Board of Dentistry; and H0497 Idaho Controlled Substances Act.

Ms. Earl also presented two bills that affect the Board: H0513, Cosmetology License Qualifications, and H0547, Barber and Cosmetology Services Act. Additionally, she discussed H0514, Barber and Cosmetology Services, which has been passed and signed into law by the Governor, effective July 1, 2026.

Mr. Price informed the Board that the proposed rule changes passed the Senate but have been postponed indefinitely by the House Business Committee.

**Public Comment:** No public comments were made.

## **BOARD BUSINESS**

**Atarashii Apprentice Program Waiver:** The Atarashii Apprentice Program is a federally registered apprenticeship training program in cosmetology, barbering, esthetics, manicuring, and hair design.

Jessee Skittrall-Lemons, President and CEO of the Atarashii Apprentice Program, was available to address questions from the Board and to request that applications submitted with Atarashii certification satisfy the licensure requirements established by the State of Idaho.

A motion was made and seconded to issue a declaratory ruling stating that graduates from the Atarashii Apprenticeship Program would be eligible to sit for examination and to be issued licensure, but that instructors must be licensed and that the Board would not waive that practice requirement. The motion carried unanimously.

**Licensing Report:** Mr. Harris presented the licensing report.

### **Executive Session**

A motion was made and seconded to enter executive session under Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law, Idaho Code § 74-106(9). The purpose of the executive session was to discuss documents related to a licensee's fitness to obtain or retain a license or registration. The vote was: Ms. Thompson, aye; Mr. Grimsman, aye; Ms. High, aye; Mr. Evans, aye; Ms. Abel, aye, and Ms. Rucker, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to exit executive session. The motion carried unanimously. No decisions were made in executive session.

### **Discipline**

A motion was made and seconded to close case number 1881893 with an advisory letter. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize negotiation of an agreement in lieu of discipline with the terms discussed in executive session for case number 1878217 and to authorize the Executive Officer to approve on behalf of the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to authorize the prosecuting attorney to negotiate a Stipulation and Consent Order in case numbers 1899934, 1956422, 1889126, 1919634, 1872555, and 1968976 with the terms discussed in executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Final Order in case numbers 1422270 and 1694811 and to allow the Board chair to sign on behalf of the Board. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Applications**

A motion was made and seconded to approve application 1781428 for conditional licensure based on Idaho Code § 67-9411(3). The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to revoke conditional licensure for B-240446 and 6061970 based on Idaho Code § 67-9411(3). The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to approve application 1891400 for examination. The motion carried unanimously.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM.

The next meeting is on 06/15/2026.

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