



Defensive Driving Board

Arizona State Courts Building
1501 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007
Hearing Room 109

Thursday, April 16, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Approved Regular Meeting Minutes

MEMBER ATTENDANCE:

Present:

Telephonically Present:

Absent:

Hon. Maria Brewer
Walter (Jack) Weberg
Thomas L. Davis
Margaret Stephens-Reed
William Riedel
Johnny Tse
Kevin Frei
Hon. Mayra Galindo
Victoria Reuss

OTHER ATTENDEES:

AOC Staff:

Mark Wilson
Jennifer Ashley

Guests:

Angelic Craig
Alex
Pedro Eribes

CALL TO ORDER

Called to Order By: Hon. Maria Brewer

Time: 10:00 a.m.

1) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding the regular session minutes for the meeting of February 10, 2020.

Individual Addressing the Board: Hon. Maria Brewer

Discussion: None

Motion: Consideration of and motion to accept the regular session minutes of the February 10, 2020 meeting.

Motion Proposals: First William Riedel
Second Victoria Reuss

Motion Results: Pass

2) PENDING COMPLAINTS:

2-A: Update regarding the status of pending complaints.

Individual Addressing the Board: Michelle Martinez

Discussion: As of April 9, 2020, there are currently 34 open complaints.

Motion: Informational item only. No vote required.

3) INITIAL CERTIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY:

3-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending application for initial defensive driving instructor certification for Pedro Eribes, Jr.

Individual Addressing the Board: Wil Castro

Discussion: Due to the recent nature of his revocation (less than a year from his application date), relevance to the profession and repeated violations, Division staff recommends Pedro Eribes Jr. be denied initial defensive driving instructor certification pursuant to ACJA § 7-201(E)(2)(c)(2)(b)(ii) for committing dishonesty in business matters pertaining to the advertisement of courses when proper contracts were not in place and inappropriately issuing, signing and providing traffic survival course completions to individuals; ACJA § 7-201(E)(2)(c)(2)(b)(iii) for conduct showing the applicant is incompetent or a source of injury and loss to the public due to his history of repeated offenses; and ACJA § 7-201(E)(2)(c)(2)(b)(vi) and (vii) for disciplinary action taken against his TSS license and the underlying conduct which is relevant to the certification sought.

Motion: Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Walter (Jack) Weberg
Second Johnny Tse

Motion Results: Pass

3-B: *Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending applications for additional modality certification for Jacob's Driving School LLC.*

Individual Addressing the Board: Chris DeWitt

Discussion: Division staff has performed a review of the school's application and ADM curriculum.

It is recommended that the current certification for Jacob's Driving School be amended to include the additional ADM modality.

Motion: Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Walter (Jack) Weberg
Second Johnny Tse

Motion Results: Pass

4) RENEWAL CERTIFICATION APPLICATIONS:

4-A: *Review, discussion and possible action regarding pending renewal application for Jennifer Adkinson.*

Individual Addressing the Board: Wil Castro

Discussion: It is recommended renewal of standard defensive driving instructor certification be granted to Jennifer Adkinson.

Motion: Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Walter (Jack) Weberg
Second Victoria Reuss

Motion Results: Pass

5) CERTIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY:

5-A: Review, discussion and possible action regarding request for school name changes for the following defensive driving schools:

1. Ticket Dismissal of Arizona/#095

Individual Addressing the Board: Chris DeWitt

Discussion: The Division has received the necessary documentation and recommends the Board approve the requested name change from Ticket Dismissal of Arizona to Express Arizona Defensive Driving School.

Motion: Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation.

Motion Proposals: First Walter (Jack) Weberg
Second Johnny Tse

Motion Results: Pass

5-A: 2. Discount Defensive Driving School Online/#421

Individual Addressing the Board: Chris DeWitt

Discussion: The Division has received the necessary documentation and recommends the Board approve the requested name change from Discount Defensive Driving School Online to Highway Defensive Driving.

Motion: Consideration of and motion to accept staff's recommendation

Motion Proposals: First Walter (Jack) Weberg
Second William Riedel

Motion Results: Pass

6) CERTIFICATION AND ELIGIBILITY:

6-A: *Discussion regarding pandemic impact to defensive driving schools.*

Individual Addressing the Board: Mark Wilson

Discussion: Questions on if Driving Schools can host classes using Zoom. Division Staff will look into this matter.

Motion: Informational item only. No vote required.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Individuals Addressing the Board: None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Move to adjourn.

Motion Proposals: First Walter (Jack) Weberg
Second William Riedel

Motion Results: Pass

Time: 10:25 a.m.

Initials: JA