



Board of Dental Examiners Public Meeting Minutes
Dental Examiners Board
Monday, September 9, 2024

Attendance: Puneet Kochhar, DMD – President (PK), Virginia Kapetanakis Moore, RDH – Vice President (VM) Mark D. Abel, DMD, MD (MA) H.J. Ludington, DDS, MsD (HL), Linda Tatarczuch, MSW (LT) Daniel H. De Tolla, DDS, MD (DD).

Absent: Angela Boyle, Roger Achong, and Jay Patel

Staff: Carson Hansford – Board Administrator, Elizabeth Eaton, Esq. – Board Counsel.

Minutes:

I. Call to Order

PK called the meeting to order at 8:40 AM

II. Approval of Public Minutes

Motion: Upon a motion by HL and a second by PK the Board voted to approve the minutes from the last meeting as presented; unanimous.

III. DEN 100 & DEN 500 Public Hearing 9:00AM

The Board opened the hearing at 9:01am and closed the hearing at 9:23am

The record of public comment is held with the rules department within the OPLC.

A. Public comment sent before the hearing

1. DEN 100

IV. Rules With Tina Kelley

A. DEN 300 Various

The Board looked at DEN 300 with Tina Kelley.

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by MA the Board voted to accept the rule as amended and start rulemaking process; unanimous.

B. DEN 304 Comments

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by VM the Board voted to authorize MA and HL to attend and testify at the JLCAR DEN 304 hearing; unanimous.

C. DEN 400 rule making support

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by HL the Board voted to request rule making support with MA and HL being the points of contact for the office; unanimous.

D. Rules Tracker

V. Heather Kelley to Speak about iPad Pilot Program-9:30

Heather Kelley and Deanna Jurius spoke about who they are and talked about the new iPad program for Board members. The Board had a few questions and concerns, Heather will come back next month with answers to the questions.

VI. Required Reporting

A. Public Health Reporting

1. Sealing Smiles-Nashua School District

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by VM the Board voted to accept; unanimous.

2. Carried Away Concord NH- REVISION

Motion: Upon a motion by HL and a second by PK the Board voted to accept; unanimous.

B. Anesthetists Performing in Dental Offices

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by HL the Board voted to accept; unanimous.

VII. Legislative Topics

A. Legislative Update - Board Counsel, Elizabeth Eaton

SB 369: Counsel talked about the bill and its implications.

VIII. OPLC and/or Board Administration Update

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by VM the Board voted to have VM and JP to review the CE audit and report back with their recommendations; unanimous.

IX. Old Business

A. Compacts

VM talked about compacts, she talked about her prospective on CSG and AADB compacts. VM stated she leans toward the AADB compact.

Motion: Upon a motion by VM and a second by HL the Board voted to endorse the AADB compact; unanimous.

X. Licensure

A. Active Licenses 7.29.24 through 08.30.24

Informational No Action Needed

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by VM the Board voted to accept as written; unanimous. The Board asked that licensing list out states that endorsement applications are coming from.

XI. Committee Reports

A. ASEC

MA talked about how they met twice and what the committee has been up to. The committee is hoping to meet monthly for a few months then switch to quarterly.

B. Hygiene

Virginia spoke about the committee and the memo that was sent to the Board. PK wants to keep it direct not indirect supervision for hygienists performing anesthesia.

XII. Non-Public Session

Motion: Upon a motion by VM and a second by PK the Board voted to enter non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3 II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges; via Roll Call. Roll Call: 6-0-0

XIII. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Motion: Upon a motion by VM and a second by PK the Board voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective; via Roll Call. Roll Call: 6-0-0

XIV. Elections:

Motion: Upon a motion by HL and a second by LT the Board elected PK to be chair; unanimous.

Motion: Upon a motion by LT and a second by MA the Board elected VM to be vice chair; unanimous.

XV. Adjourn Meeting–

Board adjourned at 12:02PM