

Dental Examiners Emergency Meeting Minutes

Dental Examiners Board Oct 14, 2022 at 3:15 PM EDT @ Zoom

Attendance

Members Present (Remote):

John Girald, Puneet Kochhar, Howard Ludington, Jay Patel, Muhenad Samaan

Members Absent:

Roger Achong, Virginia Kapetanakis Moore, Lisa Scott, Linda Tatarczuch

Guests Present:

Mike Porter

Guests Present (Remote):

Eric Goulet, Myra Nikitas, Sheri Phillips, Lauren Warner, Jenna Wilson

I. Call to order

Puneet Kochhar called the emergency meeting to order at 3:19PM. The Board performed a rollcall attendance and Board member attendees confirmed they were alone in the room at their remote attendance location.

Puneet Kochhar announced that the matter before the Board for the emergency meeting was allegations pursuant to the Dental practice of Marina Eugene Becker, DMD, Lic #03448.

II. Non-Public Session

Motion:

to enter non-public session at 3:21PM 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) & (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Motion moved by Howard Luddington and motion seconded by Jay Patel. Passed by unanimous roll call vote.

III. Resume Public Session

Puneet Kochhar announced the Board was back in public session at 3:53PM.

IV. Seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session

The Board votes 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.

Motion:

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.

Motion moved by Puneet Kochhar and motion seconded by Jay Patel. Passed.

Motion:

to 1.) emergently suspend the dental license of Marina Eugeen Becker, DMD, Lic. No. 03448, pursuant to RSA 317-A:18-b, due to evidence that Dr. Becker poses an imminent threat and danger to the public's health, safety, and welfare; 2.) schedule a hearing on the matter to occur at 2:30PM on Friday, October 28, 2022; 3.) authorize Attorney Nikolas Frye of OPLC Legal Unit to act as the Board's presiding officer at the hearing; and, 4.) appoint OPLC Enforcment Division staff as hearing counsel.

Motion moved by Howard Ludington and motion seconded by Muhenad Samaan. Passed unanimously by rollcall vote.

V. Adjournment

Puneet Kochar adjourned the meeting at 3:58PM.