

**GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY**  
**Conference Call**  
**April 18, 2014**  
**2 Peachtree St., N.W., 36<sup>th</sup> Floor**  
**Atlanta, GA**  
**12:00 p.m.**

**The following Board members were present:**

Dr. Richard Bennett  
Dr. Logan Nalley  
Ms. Becky Bynum  
Dr. Randy Daniel  
Ms. Connie Engel  
Dr. Tracy Gay  
Dr. Tom Godfrey  
Dr. Steve Holcomb  
Dr. Antwan Treadway  
Dr. Bert Yeargan

**Staff present:**

Tanja Battle, Executive Director  
Bryon Thernes, Asst Attorney General  
Anil Foreman, Legal Officer  
Brandi Howell, Bus Operations Specialist

**Visitors:**

Melana McClatchey, GDA  
Greg Leathers

**Open Session**

Dr. Bennett established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

**Introduction of Visitors**

Dr. Bennett welcomed the visitors.

**Approval of Minutes**

Dr. Holcomb made a motion to approve the Public and Executive Session minutes for the March 14, 2014 meeting. Ms. Bynum seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Ratifications**

Dr. Yeargan made a motion to ratify the list of issued licenses. Dr. Gay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Petition for Rule Waiver – Johnny L. Miller**

Dr. Nalley made a motion to deny the rule waiver petition. Dr. Daniel seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Petition for Rule Waiver – Michelle L. Henry**

Dr. Nalley made a motion to deny the rule waiver petition. Dr. Yeargan seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Petition for Rule Waiver – Rishad Shaikh**

Dr. Nalley made a motion to deny the rule waiver petition. Dr. Daniel seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Correspondence from Pamela J. Coats**

The Board considered this correspondence from Ms. Coats regarding eligibility to sit for the EDDA examination. The Board recommended tabling this matter pending additional information from Ms. Coats.

**Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Tanja Battle**

No report.

**Attorney General’s Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes**

No report.

**Miscellaneous**

Ms. Battle discussed the revised dental hygiene by examination application. The question asking “*Since graduating from hygiene school and passing the clinical examination, has there been a gap in clinical experience in excess of three years?*” was added to the application. Dr. Holcomb made a motion to approve the application with the recommended language. Dr. Nalley seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Dr. Bert Yeargan made a motion and Dr. Steve Holcomb seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2), §43-11-47(h) and §43-1-2(k) to deliberate and receive information on applications, investigative reports, and the Assistant Attorney General’s report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Dr. Richard Bennett, Ms. Becky Bynum, Dr. Randy Daniel, Ms. Connie Engel, Dr. Tracy Gay, Dr. Tom Godfrey, Dr. Steve Holcomb, Dr. Logan Nalley, Dr. Antwan Treadway, and Dr. Bert Yeargan.

**Executive Session**

**Licensure Overview Committee Recommendations from April 11, 2014**

- A.C.R.
- C.C.C.
- A.M.
- O.T.O.
- H.P.W.
- K.L.M.
- R.P.L.
- T.W.S.
- A.T.
- E.J.G.

**Applications**

- D.E.T.
- Y.D.L.
- C.B.L.
- S.T.F.
- G.L.N.
- J.G.
- R.S.
- B.L.A.
- R.K.
- H.V.
- S.K.A.

**Investigative Committee Report**

Report presented:

- DENT090102 & DENT130021

- S.E.W.
- DENT090230
- DENT130111
- DENT130088
- DENT130031
- DENT140213
- DENT120147
- DENT140139 & DENT140140
- DENT130086
- DENT140153
- DENT140100
- DENT140120

**Correspondences**

- Correspondence from E.H.G.
- Correspondence from J.K.V.
- Correspondence from C.T.

**Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Tanja Battle**

- E.S.
- S.N.P.

**Attorney General’s Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes**

Mr. Thernes discussed the following:

- C.D.
- M.W.
- J.C.

Mr. Thernes presented the following consent orders for acceptance:

- J.W.
- R.R.
- N.C.
- P.J.M.

No votes were taken in Executive Session. Dr. Bennett declared the meeting back in Open Session.

<b>Open Session</b>
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Dr. Nalley made a motion to approve all recommendations based on deliberations in Executive Session as follows:

**Licensure Overview Committee Recommendations from April 11, 2014**

- |           |                                |                      |
|-----------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| • A.C. R. | Renewal pending                | Approved for renewal |
| • C.C.C.  | Request to lift suspension     | Tabled               |
| • A.M.    | Request to lift suspension     | Tabled               |
| • O.T.O.  | Dental Exam Applicant          | Approved application |
| • H.P.W.  | Renewal pending                | Tabled               |
| • K.L.M.  | Request to terminate probation | Approved request     |

- R.P.L. Renewal pending Approved for renewal
- T.W.S. Renewal pending Refer to the Attorney General's office
- A.T. Dental Credentials Applicant Denied application
- E.J.G. Request to terminate C.O. Approved request

### **Applications**

- D.E.T. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Schedule to meet with the Licensure Overview Committee
- Y.D.L. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Refer to the Attorney General's office
- C.B.L. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Schedule to meet with the Licensure Overview Committee
- S.T.F. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Denied application
- G.L.N. Dental Credentials Applicant Approved application
- J.G. Dental Credentials Applicant Denied application
- R.S. Dental Exam Applicant Denied application
- B.L.A. Dental Exam Applicant Denied application
- R.K. Dental Exam Applicant Tabled
- H.V. Inactive Status Approved application
- S.K.A. Inactive Status Approved application

### **Investigative Committee Report**

Recommendations made by the Investigative Committee on March 28, 2014:

<b>Complaint number</b>	<b>Allegations</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
DENT090102 & 130021 S.E.W.	Billing/Fraud/Misrepresentation Sanctions in KY	Refer to A G Close
DENT090230	Quality of Care	Refer to A G
DENT130111	ULP	Closed w/C & D
DENT130088	MMPR - Quality of Care	Refer to A G
DENT130031	Quality of Care	Close
DENT140213	MMPR - Substandard Care	Close
DENT120147	Quality of Care	Close - w/Mit Letter
DENT140139 & 140140	Quality of Care	Refer to A G
DENT130086	Quality of Care	Close - w/Mit Letter
DENT140153	Impaired & Substance Abuse	Refer to A G
DENT140100	Billing/Fraud	Close
DENT140120	MMPR	Close

### **Correspondences**

- Correspondence from E.H.G.: Approved request for a refund of the duplicate license fee.
- Correspondence from J.K.V.: Denied request for a waiver of the late renewal fee.
- Correspondence from C.T.: Approved request to sit for the CRDTS examination a fourth time.

### **Executive Director's Report – Ms. Tanja Battle**

- E.S. Correspondence No action taken
- S.N.P. Dental Hygiene Credentials Denied application

**Attorney General's Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes**

Mr. Thernes discussed the following:

- C.D. No action taken
- M.W. Denied request
- J.C. No action taken

Mr. Thernes presented the following consent orders for acceptance:

- J.W. Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt of the original
- R.R. Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt of the original
- N.C. Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt of the original
- P.J.M. Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt of the original

Dr. Daniel seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

The next scheduled meeting of the Georgia Board of Dentistry will be held via conference call on Wednesday, May 21, 2014, at 12:30 p.m. at the Department of Community Health's office located at 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303.

The Board meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Brandi P. Howell, Business Operations Specialist  
Minutes edited by Tanja D. Battle, Executive Director