

GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY
Board Meeting
June 13, 2014
2 Peachtree St., N.W., 36th Floor
Atlanta, GA
9:30 a.m.

The following Board members were present:

Dr. Richard Bennett
Dr. Logan Nalley
Dr. Randy Daniel
Ms. Connie Engel
Dr. Tracy Gay
Dr. Tom Godfrey (*departed @ 10:05 a.m.*)
Dr. Greg Goggans
Dr. Steve Holcomb
Dr. Antwan Treadway
Dr. Bert Yeargan

Staff present:

Tanja Battle, Executive Director
Bryon Thernes, Asst Attorney General
Brandi Howell, Bus Operations Specialist

Visitors:

Melana McClatchey, GDA
Jessica DuBois, GDA
Wendy Blond, GDHA
Dr. Carol Wooden, AGD
Leslie Stav, Fortis College
Aranne Preston, Fortis College
Jasmine Stanley, Fortis College
Elena Acosta, Fortis College
Wendy Acosta, Fortis College
Catina Larson, Fortis College
LaShaundra Ruby, Fortis College
Colette Meikle, Fortis College
Dr. Donnie Brown, GDA

Open Session

Dr. Bennett established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Introduction of Visitors

Dr. Bennett welcomed the visitors.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Nalley made a motion to approve the Public and Executive Session minutes for the May 21, 2014 conference call. Dr. Gay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Rules Committee Report

Dr. Godfrey made a motion to table discussion on Rule 150-8-.01 Unprofessional Conduct. He stated that he will email a draft of the amended rule to each board member to review prior to the next meeting. Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Dr. Godfrey made a motion to table discussion on Rule 150-8-.02 Fee Splitting. He stated that he will email a draft of the amended rule to each board member to review prior to the next meeting. Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Dr. Godfrey made a motion to repeal Rule 150-2-.03 ADA Directory and Rule 150-2-.04 Procedural Rules. Dr. Nalley seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

In the same motion, the Board voted to post the following rules:

150-3-.06 Duplicate Licenses. Amended.

(1) Duplicate licenses will be issued in accordance with the fee schedule set forth in Rule 150-12-.01.
(2) ~~Upon receipt of proper proof that the original dental or dental hygiene license was lost or destroyed, the Board will issue a duplicate license, which will be marked as a "replacement" license, showing the date of issuance of the original license. Said replacement license shall be signed by the entire Board on the date that the duplicate is issued.~~

150-3-.07 Inactive Licensure Status. Amended

(1) A licensee may apply for inactive licensure status under the following conditions:-
(a) A dentist or dental hygienist who holds an active license in the state of Georgia may apply to the Board for inactive status by submitting the required for m and paying the proper fee
(b) A licensee granted inactive status is exempt from the payment of the biennia l renewal fee and continuing education requirement.
(c) A person holding an inactive license may not practice dentistry or dental hygiene in this state.
(d) A dentist or dental hygienist holding an inactive license may apply for reinstatement by following the Board's reinstatement policy.
(2) For the purposes of O.C.G.A. §43-11-47(a)(7)(A), a licensee on inactive status is not licensed to practice dentistry in Georgia.

150-3-.08 CPR Requirements for Dentists

Dentists shall maintain at all times during licensure and shall furnish to the Board, upon request, current certification in one and two rescuer CPR and management of obstructed airway for adults, children and infants as taught by the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, American Safety & Health Institute, the National Safety Council, ~~or EMS Safety Services-, or other such agencies approved by the Board.~~ Current certification is also a condition for license renewal. Failure to maintain current CPR certification may serve as grounds to deny the renewal of a license and may also result in disciplinary action against the licensee. In response to an audit request, a dentist shall be required to produce proof of CPR certification during the biennium for which the audit is being conducted.

150-4-.01 Investigations. Amended.

(1) The Board shall promptly conduct investigations to determine whether violations of the rules and laws governing the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene have occurred. Disciplinary proceedings may be initiated by the Board upon its own motion or upon receipt of a ~~signed,~~ written complaint.
(2) Any matter pertaining to an investigation shall be kept in confidence by the Board until such matter is made part of a public document, ~~or is~~ introduced as evidence at a hearing, or is provided to a law enforcement agency or another lawful licensing authority of this state or any other state upon inquiry by said agency or authority under to O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-19(h)(2), 43-1-20. Upon the revocation or suspension of a license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene, notice may be released to the press and other news media.
(3) The Board, in its discretion, may schedule an interview with a licensee as a part of its investigation of a matter. Notice of the date, time and location of the interview shall be provided to the dentist or hygienist along with information apprising him or her of the subject matter of the allegations to be discussed.

150-5-.04 CPR Requirements for Dental Hygienists

Dental hygienists shall maintain at all times during licensure and furnish to the Board, upon request, current certification in one and two rescuer CPR and management of obstructed airway for adults, children and infants as taught by the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, the American Safety and Health Institute, the National Safety Council, ~~or EMS Safety Services-, or other such agencies approved by the Board.~~ Current certification is a condition for license renewal. Failure to

maintain current CPR certification may serve as grounds to deny the renewal of a license and may also result in disciplinary action against the licensee. In response to an audit request, a dental hygienist shall be required to produce proof of CPR certification during the biennium for which the audit is being conducted.

150-7-.04 Dental Provisional Licensure by Credentials.

- (1) For purposes of this rule “State” includes Washington D.C. and all U.S. territories.
- (2) “Provisional Licensure by Credentials” means a license to practice dentistry in the State of Georgia granted to individuals licensed to practice dentistry in another state who have not met all of the requirements for a regular dental license but who have met equivalent requirements for the practice of dentistry as set forth in O.C.G.A. § 43-11-41 and by board rule.
- (3) “Full Time Clinical Practice” means a minimum of 1,000 hours for each twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the date of the application in the hands-on treatment of patients. Training programs do not qualify as full time clinical practice.
- (4) “Active Dental License” is defined as an unencumbered license held by an individual without restrictions.
- (5) “Full Time Clinical Faculty Practice” means a minimum of 1,000 hours for each twelve (12) month period immediately preceding the date of the application in the teaching of clinical dental skills at an ADA-accredited dental school/program. Training programs do not qualify as full time clinical faculty practice.
- (6) Only those applicants licensed and currently engaged in full time clinical practice as defined in subsection (3) of this rule in a state that has a credentialing law similar to the licensure by credentials law in Georgia will be considered by the board for a provisional license by credentials. Applicants from states not issuing licenses by credentials are ineligible.
- (7) The board may, in its discretion, grant a provisional license by credentials to dentists licensed in another state who do not hold a Georgia license to practice dentistry.
- (8) As set forth in O.C.G.A. § 43-11-41, an applicant for a provisional license by credentials must also meet the following requirements:
 - (a) Must have an active dental license in good standing from another state.
 - (b) Must have received a doctor of dental surgery (D.D.S.) degree or a doctor of dental medicine (D.M.D.) degree from a dental school approved by the board and accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association (A.D.A.) or its successor agency.
 - (c) Applicants must have been in full time clinical practice, as defined in subsection (3) of this rule; full time faculty as defined in subsection (5) of this rule; or a combination of both for each of the five years immediately preceding the date of the application.
 - (d) Candidates with any felony convictions are not eligible. Candidates convicted of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude or dealing with the administering, dispensing or taking of drugs including, but not limited to controlled substances, are not eligible.
 - (e) Those applicants who have received a doctoral degree in dentistry from a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, or its successor agency, must provide the following in order to complete their application:
 1. Certified copy of the applicant’s testing results showing passage of all sections with a score of 75 or higher or its equivalent score on a clinical examination administered by the board or a testing agency designated and approved by the board.
 - (i) After a fourth failure of one or more sections of any clinical examination, no further attempts will be recognized by the board for licensure by credentials in Georgia.
 2. Show passage with a score of 75 or higher on a jurisprudence examination on the laws and rules governing the practice of dentistry in the State of Georgia. Such examination shall be administered in the English language.
 3. Proof of current CPR certification;
 4. Copies of any and all National Practitioner’s Data Bank reports pertaining to the applicant;

5. Official transcripts under seal from a school or university from which the applicant received his/her doctorate in dentistry;
6. National Board scores showing passage of all sections of the examination with a score of 75 or higher;
7. Verification of licensure from all states where the applicant has ever held or currently holds a license to practice dentistry; and
8. Furnish a background check. The applicant shall be responsible for all fees associated with the performance of a background check.

9. In accordance with O.C.G.A. §50-36-1, all applicants applying for licensure must submit an Affidavit Regarding Citizenship and submit a copy of secure and verifiable documentation supporting the Affidavit with his or her application.

(9) Those applicants who have received a doctoral degree in dentistry from a dental school not accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, or its successor agency, in addition to the information required in subsection (8)(a), (c), (d) and (e) of this rule must also provide the following in order to complete their application:

(a) Proof of successful completion at an ADA-accredited dental school approved by the board of the last two years of a pre-doctoral program as a full-time student under identical conditions required of other full time students, including, without limitation, class attendance, timing and manner of testing, clinical skills participation, etc., and leading to receipt of the doctor of dental surgery (D.D.S.) or doctor of dental medicine (D.M.D.) degree; and

(b) Certification by the dean of the accredited dental school where ~~such~~ the applicant took the required supplementary program was taken specified in O.C.G.A. § 43-11-40(a) setting forth that the applicant that the candidate has achieved the same level of didactic and clinical competency as expected of a graduate of the school.

(10) A certification letter from a dental board or regional testing agency of a passing score of 75 or higher on each section of a clinical licensure examination substantially equivalent to the clinical licensure examination required in Georgia and which was administrated by the dental board or its designated testing agency. A certification letter from the applicants' dental school is not acceptable.

(a) Such certification shall state that the examination included procedures performed on human subjects as part of the assessment of clinical competencies and shall have included evaluations in the following areas:

1. periodontics, human subject clinical abilities testing;
2. endodontics, clinical abilities testing;
3. posterior class II amalgam or posterior class II composite preparation and restoration, human subject clinical abilities testing;
4. anterior class III composite preparation and restoration, human subject clinical abilities testing;
5. crown preparation, clinical abilities testing;
6. prosthetics, written or clinical abilities testing;
7. oral diagnosis, written or clinical abilities testing; and
8. oral surgery, written or clinical abilities testing.

(b) In addition to the foregoing requirements to be eligible for licensure consideration by credentials, a license examination after January 1, 1998 shall include:

1. anonymity between candidates and examination raters;
2. standardization and calibration of raters; and
3. a mechanism for post exam analysis.

(c) After a fourth failure of one or more sections of any clinical examination, no further attempts will be recognized by the board for licensure by credentials in Georgia.

(d) All applicants must show passage of a jurisprudence examination on the laws and rules governing the practice of dentistry in the State of Georgia. Such examinations shall be administered in the English language.

(11) Within the first two (2) years of being granted a provisional license by credentials, applicant must establish full-time clinical practice which is defined in subsection (2) of this rule or the license will be automatically revoked.

(12) Active duty military dentists on federal installations are exempt from the state of practice requirement as contained in subsection (6) of this rule as long the applicant has an active license in an acceptable state and meets all other requirements as set forth in this rule.

(13) Contract employees on Georgia federal installations are exempt from the state of practice requirement as contained in subsection (6) of this rule as long the applicant has an active license in an acceptable state and meets all other requirements as set forth in this rule.

(14) These exempt applicants must provide a letter from the supervising authority/commanding officer at the federal installation. Such letter must include but not be limited to the applicants' general service record, any complaint or disciplinary action as well as continuing education the credentialing candidate may have obtained.

(15) For the first five biennial renewal periods, the holder of a dental provisional license by credentials must attest to the fact that he or she has maintained full time clinical practice in the State of Georgia as defined in subsection (3) of this rule.

(16) The Board shall have the authority to refuse to grant a provisional license by credentials to an applicant, or to revoke the provisional license by credentials to a dentist licensed by the Board, or to discipline a dentist holding a provisional license by credentials in accordance with the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 43-11-47.

150-12-.02 Bad Checks

(1) It is the policy of the Board of Dentistry to pursue its legal remedies under O.C.G.A. § 16-9-20 when a bad check is issued in payment of examination, license or renewal fees, application fees, or similar fees, and to take such other action as is outlined in 150-12 and regulations. Any person issuing a bad check will be subject to the service charge as provided in O.C.G.A. § 16-9-20 (a)(2).

(2) If an applicant for licensure by credentials issues a bad check to cover required licensure fees, such applicant shall not be issued a license until the applicant has paid the appropriate fees and the service charge. If a license is issued prior to determining that the applicant issued a bad check, such license will be deemed to have been issued in error and deemed not current unless the applicant pays the licensure fees and service charge within ten (10) days after the applicant has received a notice mailed by certified or registered mail. The applicant must pay the licensure fees and the service charge by cashier's check or money order.

(3) If a licensee attempts to renew a license by the issuance of a bad check, the license will not be renewed until the licensee pays all fees due including any applicable late renewal fees plus the service charge. If the license is renewed and reissued to the licensee prior to determination that the licensee issued a bad check, the licensee will be notified by certified or registered mail that the renewed license will be deemed not current unless the licensee remits all fees due for renewal plus the service charge within ten (10) days after receipt of notice. The licensee must pay the fees and service charge by cashier's check or money order.

150-13-.02 Deep Sedation/General Anesthesia Permits.

(1) The educational requirements for a permit to use deep sedation/ general anesthesia in Georgia shall be equal to those set forth in O.C.G.A. § 43-11-21.1.

(2) The following guidelines shall apply to the administration of deep sedation/general anesthesia in the dental office or a site approved by the Board:

(a) When administration of deep sedation/general anesthesia is provided by another qualified dentist holding a current (Georgia) deep sedation/general anesthesia permit or by a physician anesthesiologist, the operating dentist and the staff must be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the basic life support level given by a board-approved sponsor with an update not to exceed two years per board Rules 150-3-.08, 150-3-.09, 150-5-.04, and 150-5-.05.

(b) When a certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) is permitted to function under the direction and responsibility of a dentist, administration of deep sedation/general anesthesia by a CRNA shall require the operating dentist to have completed training in deep sedation/general anesthesia, commensurate with these guidelines.

(c) A dentist administering deep sedation/general anesthesia must document current successful completion of an advanced cardiac life support (ACLS) course (or an appropriate equivalent).

(d) All staff must be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the basic life support level given by a board-approved sponsor with an update not to exceed two years per board Rules 150-3-.08, 150-3-.09, 150-5-.04, and 150-5-.05.

(3) In all areas in which this level of anesthesia is being conducted, the dentist shall maintain a properly equipped facility for the administration of deep sedation/general anesthesia, staffed with appropriately trained and supervised personnel. The facility must have equipment capable of delivering positive pressure oxygen ventilation, a pulse oximeter, the ability to monitor end tidal CO₂, suction equipment that allows aspiration of the oral and pharyngeal cavity, an operating table or chair that allows for the patient to be positioned to maintain an airway, a firm platform for cardiopulmonary resuscitation, a fail-safe inhalation system if nitrous oxide/oxygen is used, equipment to continuously monitor blood pressure and heart rate and rhythm, EKG monitor, appropriate emergency drugs per ACLS protocol including reversal agents for narcotics and/or benzodiazepines depending on which is actually utilized, a manual or automatic external defibrillator, and a recovery area with available oxygen and suction. All of the aforementioned equipment and supplies must be stationary and not subject to transfer from one facility to another. The applicant must submit verification that the facility meets the above requirements and shall be subject to an on-site inspection.

(a) The dentist must be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the basic and advanced levels and all immediate support personnel who provide direct hands-on patient care must be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the basic life support level given by a board approved provider with an update not to exceed two years. While any deep sedation/general anesthesia procedure is underway, a minimum of two immediate support personnel certified in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation must be present.

(4) The Georgia Board of Dentistry shall be given a written thirty (30) day advance notification of the relocation of a facility, the addition of a facility or significant changes in the facility. Changes in the method of administration of deep sedation/general anesthesia should also be brought to the attention of the Board. The permit holder shall be subject to an on-site inspection.

(5) The dentist must take four (4) hours of continuing education every two (2) years in pharmacology, anesthesia, emergency medicine or sedation as part of the forty (40) hour requirement for license renewal to maintain certification for the deep sedation/general anesthesia permit. Certification of this continuing education must be submitted at renewal.

(6) Permit fees: As shown in the schedule of fees adopted by the Board.

(7) Renewal fees: As shown in the schedule of fees adopted by the Board.

(8) Late renewal fees: As shown in the schedule of fees adopted by the Board.

150-5-.05 Requirements for Continuing Education for Dental Hygienists

(1) Dental hygienists licensed to practice in the state of Georgia shall maintain and furnish to the Board, upon request, official documentation of having completed a minimum of twenty-two (22) hours of continuing education during each biennium. Official documentation shall be defined as documentation from an approved provider that verifies a licensee's attendance at a particular continuing education course. Official documentation of course attendance must be maintained by a dental hygienist for at least three (3) years following the end of the biennium during which the course was taken.

(a) Compliance with all continuing education requirements is a condition for license renewal. Failure to complete all hours of mandatory continuing education shall serve as grounds to deny the renewal of a license and may also result in disciplinary action being taken against a licensee.

(b) Upon its own motion, the Board may at any time randomly select a percentage of actively licensed dental hygienists for the purpose of auditing their compliance with the continuing education

requirements of the Board. Those licensees selected for an audit shall submit official documentation of their compliance within thirty (30) days of receipt of the audit letter. Failure to respond to an audit request in a timely manner shall be grounds for disciplinary action against a licensee.

(c) The continuing education requirements shall apply within the first biennium that a dental hygienist is licensed in Georgia. However, in order to meet the continuing education requirements during the first biennium, a newly licensed dental hygienist may submit as their continuing education hours proof of dental hygiene coursework taken within the previous two (2) years of the date of the renewal application from a university or other institution accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. Following the first biennium that a dental hygienist is licensed in Georgia such licensees shall comply with the continuing education requirements set forth in Rule 150-5-.05(2) and (3).

(d) The continuing education requirements shall not apply to dental hygienists who are on inactive status.

(2) Coursework, including home study courses, sponsored or approved by any organization recognized under Rule 150-3-.09(2) will be accepted.

(3) Course content:

(a) All courses must reflect the professional needs of the hygienist providing quality dental health care to the public;

(b) At least fifteen (15) hours of the minimum requirement must be scientific courses in the actual delivery of dental services to the patient or to the community;

(c) Four (4) credit hours for successful completion of the CPR course required by Georgia law offered by the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, the American Safety and Health Institute, the National Safety Council, ~~or~~ EMS Safety Services, or other such agencies approved by the Board may be used to satisfy continuing education requirements per renewal period.

(d) Up to eight (8) hours of continuing education per year may be obtained by assisting the Board with administering the clinical licensing examination or by assisting the Board with investigations of licensees. These hours shall be approved by the Continuing Education Committee of the Georgia Board of Dentistry and need not be sponsored by any agency or organization listed in 150-3-.09(2).

(e) Up to five (5) hours of continuing education per biennium may be obtained by teaching dental hygiene at any ADA-approved educational facility. These hours shall be awarded, in writing, by the course director at the facility and approved by the Continuing Education Committee of the Georgia Board of Dentistry.

(f) Up to five (5) hours of continuing education per biennium may be obtained by providing, uncompensated dental hygiene care at a public agency or institution, not for profit agency, not for profit institution, nonprofit corporation or not for profit association which provides dental hygiene services to indigent patients.

(g) Up to ten (10) hours of continuing education per biennium may be obtained by members of the Georgia Board of Dentistry for member service, where one continuing education hour is credited for each five hours of Board service provided.

(4) Criteria for receiving credit for attending an approved continuing education course:

(a) Credit hours are not retroactive or cumulative. All credit hours must be received during the two (2) year period to which they are applied; and

(b) One credit hour for each hour of course attendance will be allowed;

(c) Only twelve hours of credit will be accepted per calendar day;

(d) Effective January 1, 2008, at least eleven (11) of the required twenty-two (22) hours of credit must be acquired in person at an on-site course or seminar; you are not allowed to acquire all CE hours through on-line courses, electronic means, journal studies, etc.

(5) Criteria for receiving credit for teaching an approved continuing education course:

(a) Credit hours for teaching an approved course must be obtained and used during the biennium that the approved course is taught;

(b) A dental hygienist that teaches an approved continuing education course is eligible to receive two (2) credit hours for each hour of coursework that he or she presents at a particular course. Credit will be

given for teaching a particular course on one occasion only. A maximum of five (5) credit hours per biennium may be obtained by a dental hygienist by whom an approved continuing education course is taught;

(c) Only continuing education course designated in Rule 150-5.05(2) as being sponsored or approved by recognized organizations will be considered for credit pursuant to this subsection of the rule. Courses taught by a dental hygienist prior to or a part of the process of obtaining his or her R.D.H. shall not be eligible for consideration pursuant to this provision of the rule;

(d) In the event that an audit is conducted of the continuing education hours of a dental hygienist who has taught a course approved by a recognized organization, the following shall be required to document the dental hygienist's role in presenting a continuing education course:

1. Documentation from an approved provider verifying that the dental hygienist presented an approved continuing education course;
2. Documentation from an approved provider reflecting the content of the course;
3. Documentation from an approved provider specifying the list of materials used as part of the course; and
4. Documentation from an approved provider verifying the hours earned and the dates and times that the course in question was given.

(e) In the event that an approved continuing education course is taught by more than one dental hygienist, continuing education credit will be given for those portions of course work in which the dental hygienist is directly involved and primarily responsible for the preparation and presentation thereof. Continuing education credit will not be available to a dental hygienist whose participation in preparing and presenting an approved course is not readily identifiable.

(6) Criteria for receiving credit for providing uncompensated indigent dental hygiene care.

(a) Up to five (5) hours of continuing education per biennium may be obtained by providing uncompensated dental hygiene care at a public agency or institution, not for profit agency, not for profit institution, nonprofit corporation or not for profit association which provides dental hygiene services to indigent patients.

(b) Dental hygienists may receive one hour of continuing education for every four hours of indigent dental hygiene care the dental hygienist provides, up to five (5) hours. Such continuing education credits will be applied toward the dental hygienist's clinical courses.

(c) All credit hours must be received during the two (2) year renewal period;

(d) Dental hygienists shall at all times be required to meet the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing practice in Georgia;

(e) The Board shall have the right to request the following:

1. Documentation from the organization indicating that the dental hygienist provided the services;
2. Documentation from the organization that it provided medical and/or dental hygiene services to the indigent and/or those making up the underserved populations;
3. Notarized verifications from the organization documenting the dental hygienist agreement not to receive compensation for the services provided;
4. Documentation from the organization detailing the actual number of hours spent providing said services; and
5. Documentation from the dental hygienist and/or organization verifying the services provided.

150-3-.09 Continuing Education for Dentists

(1) Dentists licensed to practice in the state of Georgia shall maintain and furnish to the Board, upon request, official documentation of having completed a minimum of forty (40) hours of continuing education during each biennium. Official documentation shall be defined as documentation from an approved provider that verifies a licensee's attendance at a particular continuing education course. Official documentation of course attendance must be maintained by a dentist for at least three (3) years following the end of the biennium during which the course was taken.

- (a) Compliance with all continuing education requirements is a condition for license renewal. Failure to complete all hours of mandatory continuing education shall serve as grounds to deny the renewal of a license and may also result in disciplinary action being taken against a licensee.
- (b) Upon its own motion, the Board may at any time randomly select a percentage of actively licensed dentists for the purpose of auditing their compliance with the continuing education requirements of the Board. Those licensees selected for an audit shall submit official documentation of their compliance within thirty (30) days of receipt of the audit letter. Failure to respond to an audit request in a timely manner shall be grounds for disciplinary action against a licensee.
- (c) The continuing education requirements shall not apply to dentists whose licenses are on inactive status.
- (d) The continuing education requirements shall apply within the first biennium that a dentist is licensed in Georgia. However, in order to meet the continuing education requirements during the first biennium, a newly licensed dentist may submit as their continuing education hours proof of dental coursework taken within the previous two (2) years of the date of the renewal application from a university or other institution accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, or its successor agency. Following the first biennium that a dentist is licensed in Georgia such licensees shall comply with the continuing education requirements set forth in Rule 150-3-.09(2) and (3).
- (2) Coursework, including home study courses, sponsored or approved by the following recognized organizations will be accepted:
- (a) American Dental Association/American Dental Hygienists association, and their affiliate associations and societies;
- (b) Academy of General Dentistry;
- (c) National Dental Association and its affiliate societies;
- (d) Colleges, and universities and institutions with programs in dentistry and dental hygiene that are accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association when the professional continuing education course is held under the auspices of the school of dentistry or school of dental hygiene;
- (e) CPR courses offered by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, the American Safety and Health Institute, the National Safety Council, ~~or~~ EMS Safety Services, or other such agencies approved by the Board.
- (f) National and State Associations and/or societies of all specialties in dentistry recognized under Georgia law;
- (g) Veterans Administration Dental Department;
- (h) Armed Forces Dental Department;
- (i) Georgia Department of Human Resources;
- (j) American Medical Association, the National Medical Association and its affiliate associations and societies;
- (k) Hospitals accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospital Organizations (JCAHO).
- (3) Course content:
- (a) All courses must reflect the professional needs of the dentist in providing quality dental health care to the public;
- (b) At least thirty (30) hours of the minimum requirement shall be clinical courses in the actual delivery of dental services to the patient or to the community;
- (c) Four (4) credit hours for successful completion of the CPR course required by Georgia law may be used to satisfy continuing education requirements per renewal period;
- (d) Up to fifteen (15) hours of continuing education per year may be obtained by assisting the Board with administering the clinical licensing examination. These hours shall be approved by the Continuing Education Committee of the Georgia Board of Dentistry and need not be sponsored by any agency listed in 150-3-.09(2);
- (e) Eight (8) hours per biennium may be obtained by assisting the board with investigations of licensees. This may include consultant review on behalf of the Georgia Board of Dentistry and peer reviews completed by committees of the Georgia Dental Association but shall be limited to two (2) hours for

each case reviewed. These hours shall be approved by the Continuing Education Committee of the Georgia Board of Dentistry and need not be sponsored by any agency listed in 150-3-.09(2);

(f) Up to ten (10) hours of continuing education per year may be obtained by teaching clinical dentistry or dental hygiene at any ADA-approved educational facility. These hours shall be awarded in writing by the course director at the facility and approved by the Continuing Education Committee of the Georgia Board of Dentistry;

(g) Up to ten (10) hours of continuing education per biennium may be obtained by providing, uncompensated dental care at a public agency or institution, not for profit agency, not for profit institution, nonprofit corporation or not for profit association which provides dentistry services to indigent patients;

(h) Up to ten (10) hours of continuing education per biennium may be obtained by members of the Georgia Board of Dentistry for member service, where one continuing education hour is credited for each five hours of Board service provided.

(4) Criteria for receiving credit for attending an approved continuing education course:

(a) Credit hours are not retroactive or cumulative. All credit hours must be received during the two (2) year period to which they are applied;

(b) One credit hour for each hour of course attendance will be allowed;

(c) Only twelve hours of credit will be accepted per calendar day;

(d) Effective January 1, 2008, at least twenty (20) of the required forty (40) hours of credit must be acquired in person at an on-site course or seminar; you are not allowed to acquire all CE hours through on-line courses, electronic means, journal studies, etc.

(5) Criteria for receiving credit for teaching an approved continuing education course:

(a) Credit hours for teaching an approved course must be obtained and used during the biennium that the approved course is taught;

(b) A dentist who teaches an approved continuing education course is eligible to receive two (2) credit hours for each hour of course work that he or she presents at a particular course. Credit will be given for teaching a particular course on one occasion. A maximum of ten (10) credit hours per biennium may be obtained by a dentist by whom an approved continuing education course is taught;

(c) Only continuing education courses sponsored by organizations designated in Rule 150-3-.09(2) will be considered for credit pursuant to this subsection of the rule.

(d) In the event that an audit is conducted of the continuing education hours of a dentist who has taught a course approved by a recognized organization, the following information shall be required to document the dentist's role in presenting a continuing education course:

(i) Documentation from an approved provider verifying that the dentist presented an approved continuing education course;

(ii) Documentation from an approved provider reflecting the content of the course;

(iii) Documentation from an approved provider specifying the list of materials used as a part of the course; and

(iv) Documentation from an approved provider verifying the hours earned and the dates and times that the course in question was given.

(e) In the event that an approved continuing education course is taught by more than one dentist, continuing education credit will be given for those portions of course work for which the dentist is directly involved and primarily responsible for the preparation and presentation thereof. Continuing education credit will not be available to a dentist whose participation in preparing and presenting an approved course is not readily identifiable.

(6) Criteria for receiving credit for providing uncompensated indigent dental care.

(a) Up to ten (10) hours of continuing education per biennium may be obtained by providing, uncompensated dental care at a public agency or institution, not for profit agency, not for profit institution, nonprofit corporation or not for profit association which provides dentistry services to indigent patients.

- (b) Dentists may receive one hour of continuing education for every four hours of indigent dental care the dentist provides, up to ten (10) hours. Such continuing education credits will be applied toward the dentist's clinical courses.
- (c) All credit hours must be received during the two (2) year renewal period;
- (d) All appropriate medical/dental records must be kept;
- (e) Dentists shall at all times be required to meet the minimal standards of acceptable and prevailing dental practice in Georgia;
- (f) The Board shall have the right to request the following:
1. Documentation from the organization indicating that the dentist provided the dental services;
 2. Documentation from the organization that it provided medical and/or dental services to the indigent and/or those making up the underserved populations;
 3. Notarized verifications from the organization documenting the dentist's agreement not to receive compensation for the services provided;
 4. Documentation from the organization detailing the actual number of hours spent providing said services; and
 5. Documentation from the dentist and/or organization verifying the services provided.
- (7) Effective January 1, 2012, dentists may receive continuing education credit for dental coursework taken during a residency program from a university or other institution accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association. Such coursework must have been taken during the current license renewal period.
- (1) Submission of a copy of the certificate of completion of program showing dates of completion is sufficient proof of coursework.
- (2) One (1) credit hour equals one (1) continuing education credit.

150-3-.04 Applications. Amended

- (1) An applicant for dental licensure must provide the board with the following items: Those applicants who have received a doctoral degree in dentistry from a dental school accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, or its successor agency, if any, must provide the following in order to complete their application.
- (a) Certified copy of the applicant's testing results showing passage of all sections with a score of 75 or higher on a clinical examination administered by the board or a testing agency designated and approved by the board.
- (b) Proof of current CPR certification;
- (c) Copies of any and all National Practitioner's Data Bank reports pertaining to the applicant;
- (d) An official transcript under seal issued by the appropriate authority (along with a verified translation into English, if necessary), from the school or university from which the applicant received his or her doctoral degree in dentistry;
- (e) National Board Scores verifying passage of all parts with a minimal acceptable grade of 75.
- (f) Verification of licensure from all states where the applicant has ever held or currently holds a license to practice dentistry. Such license shall be unencumbered by past, present or pending disciplinary action.
- (g) Furnish a criminal background check. The applicant shall be responsible for all fees associated with the performance of a background check.
- (2) In addition to the requirements in Section (1), those applicants who have received a doctoral degree in dentistry from a dental school not accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, or its successor agency, if any, must provide the following in order to complete their application.
- (a) Proof of successful completion at an ADA-accredited dental school approved by the board of the last two years of a pre-doctoral program as a full-time student under identical conditions required of other full time students, including, without limitation, class attendance, timing and manner of testing, clinical skills participation, etc., and receipt of the doctor of dental surgery (D.D.S.) or doctor of dental medicine (D.M.D.) degree; and

(b) A certification from the dean of the accredited dental school where the applicant took the required supplementary program specified in O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-11-40(a)(1)(A), 43-11-40(a)(1)(A) and (B) setting forth that the applicant has achieved the same level of didactic and clinical competency as expected of a graduate of the dental school.

(c) An official transcript under seal from the accredited dental school showing all courses taken during the supplementary program required pursuant to O.C.G.A. Sec. 43-11-40(a)(1)(A).

(3) All applicants must show passage of all sections with a score of 75 or higher on a clinical examination administered by the board or testing agency designated and approved by the board and a jurisprudence examination on the laws and rules governing the practice of dentistry in the State of Georgia. Such examinations shall be administered in the English language.

(4) In accordance with O.C.G.A. §50-36-1, all applicants applying for licensure must submit an Affidavit Regarding Citizenship and submit a copy of secure and verifiable documentation supporting the Affidavit with his or her application.

A motion was made by Dr. Nalley, seconded by Dr. Yeargan, and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of these new rules does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rules cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the relevant code sections.

In the same motion, the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of the relevant code sections to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the field of Dentistry.

Dr. Godfrey made a motion to post Rule 150-13-.01 Conscious Sedation Permits. Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion, with the exception of Dr. Treadway and Dr. Daniel, who opposed the motion.

150-13-.01 Conscious Sedation Permits.

(1) When the intent is minimal sedation (anxiolysis), which is defined as a minimally depressed level of consciousness that retains the patient's ability to independently and continuously maintain an airway with unaffected ventilatory and cardiovascular function and respond *normally* to tactile and verbal stimulation, a permit for conscious sedation is not required.

(a) When the intent is minimal sedation for adults, the initial dosing is no more than the maximum recommended dose (MRD) of a drug that can be prescribed for unmonitored home use. Nitrous oxide/oxygen may be used in combination with a single enteral drug in minimal sedation. For adults, supplemental dosing that may be necessary for prolonged procedures should not exceed one-half of the initial drug dose and should not be administered until the dentist has determined that the clinical half-life of the initial dosing has passed. The total aggregate dose must not exceed 1.5x the MRD on the day of treatment.

(b) The use of preoperative sedatives for children (age 12 and under) except in extraordinary situations must be avoided due to the risk of unobserved respiratory obstruction during transport by untrained individuals. Children can become moderately sedated despite the intended level of minimal sedation. Should this occur, the guidelines for moderate sedation apply. For children, the American Dental Association supports the use of the American Academy of Pediatrics/American Academy of Pediatric Dentists Guidelines for Monitoring and Management of Pediatric Patients During and After Sedation for Diagnostic and Therapeutic Procedures.

(2) No dentist shall administer conscious sedation at the moderate level in Georgia in accordance with the definition of conscious sedation as defined by O.C.G.A. 43-11-1 unless such dentist possesses a permit based on a credentials review. The permits issued are Moderate Enteral Conscious Sedation or Moderate Parenteral Conscious Sedation.

(3) Moderate Conscious Sedation is defined as a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which patients respond *purposefully* to verbal commands, either alone or accompanied by light tactile stimulation. No interventions are required to maintain a patent airway, and spontaneous ventilation is adequate. Cardiovascular function is usually maintained.

(4) Moderate Enteral Conscious Sedation is any technique of administration in which the drugs are absorbed through the gastrointestinal tract or oral mucosa, i.e. oral, rectal, and sublingual.

(a) To obtain a Moderate Enteral Conscious Sedation Permit for adults, a dentist must provide certification of the following:

1. Completion of an ADA-accredited postdoctoral training program, which affords comprehensive training necessary to administer and manage moderate enteral conscious sedation; or
2. Completion of a continuing education course of a board approved organization, which consists of a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours of didactic instruction plus management of at least ten (10) adult case experiences which provides competency in moderate enteral conscious sedation which may include simulated cases.

(b) To obtain a Moderate Enteral Conscious Sedation Permit for pediatric patients (age 12 and under) a dentist must provide certification of a continuing education course of a board approved organization in pediatric sedation including twenty-four (24) hours of pediatric-specific instruction after adult training and ten (10) pediatric patient experiences to include supervised administration of sedation of at least five (5) patients; or completion of an ADA-accredited postdoctoral training program that provides pediatric sedation experience commensurate with these guidelines.

(5) Moderate Parenteral Conscious Sedation is any technique utilizing multiple sedation modalities, including intravenous, enteral, parenteral, and inhalation.

(a) To obtain a Moderate Parenteral Conscious Sedation Permit for adults, a dentist must provide certification of the following:

- (1) Completion of an ADA-accredited postdoctoral training program, which affords comprehensive training to administer and manage moderate parenteral conscious sedation; or
- (2) Completion of a continuing education course of a board approved organization consisting of a minimum of sixty (60) hours of didactic instruction plus management of at least twenty (20) patients, which provides competency in moderate parenteral conscious sedation.

(b) To obtain a Moderate Parenteral Conscious Sedation Permit for pediatric patients (age 12 and under) a dentist must provide certification of a continuing education course of a board approved organization in pediatric sedation including not less than sixty (60) hours didactic and supervised administration of sedation of twenty (20) patients; or completion of an ADA-accredited postdoctoral training program that provides pediatric sedation experience commensurate with these guidelines.

(6) The dentist issued a permit in either Moderate Enteral Conscious Sedation or Moderate Parenteral Conscious Sedation shall maintain a properly equipped facility for the administration of such sedation, staffed with appropriately trained and supervised personnel. The facility must have equipment capable of delivering positive pressure oxygen ventilation, a pulse oximeter, suction equipment that allows aspiration of the oral and pharyngeal cavities, an operating table or chair that allows for the patient to be positioned to maintain an airway, a firm platform for cardiopulmonary resuscitation, a fail-safe inhalation system if nitrous oxide/oxygen is used, equipment necessary to establish intravascular access, equipment to continuously monitor blood pressure and heart rate, appropriate emergency drugs per ACLS or PALS protocol including reversal agents for narcotics and/or benzodiazepines depending on which is utilized, a manual or automatic external defibrillator, and a recovery area with available oxygen and suction. All of the aforementioned equipment, drugs, and supplies must be stationary and not subject to transfer from one facility to another. The applicant must submit verification that the facility meets the above requirements and shall be subject to an on-site inspection. The dentist and all immediate support personnel must be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the basic life support healthcare provider level given by a board approved sponsor with update not to exceed two years per board rules 150-3-.08, 150-3-.09, 150-5-.04, 150-5-.05. Additionally, the dentist must have current certification in advanced cardiovascular life support (ACLS) for adult permits or pediatric advanced life support (PALS) for

pediatric permits or an appropriate dental sedation/anesthesia emergency management course as approved by the board. For intravenous sedation, an EKG and End Tidal CO₂ shall be monitored.

(a) The dentist must take four (4) hours of continuing education every two (2) years in pharmacology, anesthesia, emergency medicine or sedation, as part of the 40 hour requirement for license renewal, to maintain certification for the Enteral and/or Parenteral Conscious Sedation Permits. Certification of this continuing education must be submitted at renewal.

(b) The Georgia Board of Dentistry shall be given a written, thirty (30) day advance notification of the relocation of a facility, the addition of a facility or significant change to the facility.

(c) When a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) is permitted to function under the direction and responsibility of a dentist for the administration of conscious sedation, the operating dentist must have completed training and hold a valid conscious sedation permit issued by the board that incorporates the level and mode of sedation administered by the CRNA.

(d) The dentist must be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the basic and advanced levels and all immediate support personnel who provide direct hands-on patient care must be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the basic life support level given by a board approved provider with an update not to exceed two years. While any conscious sedation procedure is underway, a minimum of two support personnel certified in basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation must be present.

(7) The requirements as set forth in this rule apply to all new permit applicants upon its effective date. Current, active sedation permit holders are grandfathered for educational requirements and will have until December 31, 2011 to comply with facility requirements including monitoring and emergency equipment, drugs, and supplies, and periodic emergency training requirements for the dentist and all immediate support personnel.

(8) Permit fees: As shown in the schedule of fees adopted by the Board of Dentistry.

(9) Renewal Fees: As shown in the schedule of fees adopted by the Board of Dentistry.

(10) Late Renewal Fees: As shown in the schedule of fees adopted by the Board of Dentistry.

A motion was made by Dr. Holcomb, seconded by Ms. Engel, and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of this new rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the relevant code sections.

In the same motion, the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of the relevant code sections to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of this rule will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the field of Dentistry.

Introduction of New Board Member

Dr. Bennett introduced Dr. Greg Goggans to the Board.

Ratifications

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

Petition for Rule Waiver – Jill O'Donnell

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

Correspondence from Dr. Lloyd Darby, III

The Board considered this correspondence requesting permission for a hygienist to work under indirect supervision. Dr. Holcomb made a motion to table the request. Dr. Goggans seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion

Correspondence from Dr. David Brantley and Dr. John Spratling

The Board considered this correspondence requesting to utilize Pediatric Dental Anesthesia Associates (PDAA) for deep sedation cases under IV sedation. The Board recommended tabling this matter for further consideration until the July meeting.

Dr. Logan Nalley made a motion and Dr. Antwan Treadway 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, Dr. Randy Daniel, Ms. Connie Engel, Dr. Tracy Gay, Dr. Greg Goggans, Dr. Steve Holcomb, Dr. Logan Nalley, Dr. Antwan Treadway and Dr. Bert Yeargan.

Executive Session

Appearance

- G.N.

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

Open Session

Correspondence from Dr. Lloyd Darby, III

Dr. Holcomb requested the Board discuss this correspondence further as he does not know if this would fit into the category of an approved facility under the Board’s current rule. Dr. Nalley made a motion to deny the request as the facility does not meet the requirements of Board Rule 150-5-.03(b). Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Correspondence from Dr. David Brantley and Dr. John Spratling

The Board discussed this correspondence further and recommended referring this matter to the Rules Committee to develop language that would allow the Board to have oversight into the facilities that utilize the services of an anesthesiologist. Mr. Thernes stated he is going to research whether a dentist is required to have a sedation permit in an approved facility in order to have an MD in that office.

Correspondence from Roger Seelbach

The Board considered this correspondence requesting Mr. Seelbach’s Expanded Functions Certification be recognized by the Board. The Board directed staff to respond to Mr. Seelbach by stating that the Board does not register or license dental assistants and to please refer to Rule 150-9-.02. In addition, approved programs from Florida are acceptable but ultimately, it is the supervising dentist’s responsibility to assess whether or not someone’s credentials are sufficient for expanded duties.

Correspondence from Dr. Carly Thomas

The Board considered this correspondence requesting clarification in the rule concerning equipment that must be stationary and not subject to transfer from one facility to another. Dr. Thomas points out that the application states that some of this equipment, specifically the defibrillator and EKG are optional. The Board directed staff to respond to Dr. Thomas by stating that she needs to follow what is currently in the rules. The Board also requested the Sedation Committee carefully review the application to ensure that both are consistent.

Correspondence from Alpesh Patel

The Board considered this correspondence requesting to know if it is legal to have a contest that asks patients to submit Google/Yelp reviews, and each review enters the individual into a drawing for a prize. The Board directed staff to respond by stating that it would not be a violation of the law or board rules to do so.

Correspondence from Rachel Sedlack-Prittie

The Board considered this correspondence regarding the CRDTS examination. The Board directed staff to respond by stating that there is ample opportunity for an applicant to take the CRDTS examination at various locations.

Correspondence from Abby Jones, FISH Dental Clinic

The Board considered this correspondence requesting to know how FISH Dental Clinic can become an “approved dental facility”. The Board directed staff to respond by stating that the parameters for what constitutes an “approved facility” are listed in the law and rule. Specifically, refer to Board Rule 150-5-.03(b), which states that the requirement of direct supervision shall not apply to the performance of dental hygiene services at approved dental facilities of the Department of Public Health, county boards of health, or the Department of Corrections.

Correspondence from Nancy H. DeMott

The Board considered this dental screening request. Dr. Nalley made a motion to approve the request. Dr. Yeargan seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

General – Dr. Richard Bennett

Dr. Yeargan made a motion to appoint Dr. Jonathan S. Dubin as consultant for the Investigative Committee. Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Dr. Yeargan made a motion to appoint Dr. Stephen Wilhoite as consultant for the Investigative Committee. Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

CE Audit Committee Report – Dr. Richard Bennett

No report.

Conscious Sedation/General Anesthesia Committee Report – Dr. Randy Daniel

No report.

Credentialing Committee Report

Dr. Holcomb made a motion to appoint Dr. Goggans as Chair of the Credentials Committee and the Legislative Committee. Dr. Yeargan seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Dental Hygiene Committee Report – Ms. Rebecca Bynum

Dr. Holcomb reported that there has been discussion about specifics for a Dental Hygiene Advisory Committee. Dr. Holcomb stated that, in speaking with Ms. Blond, GDHA, he told her that he and Ms. Bynum would discuss this further and make a recommendation to the Board.

Examination Committee Report – Dr. Logan Nalley

Dr. Nalley reported that Georgia Regents University (GRU) held an exam the weekend of May 17th. He did not think there were many Georgia candidates.

Dr. Nalley reported that the annual CRDTS meeting is coming up in August and today is the last day to register. He stated that if anyone has not registered yet and is interested in doing so, to complete an application and fax it in today. Ms. Howell will email the form to the Board.

Investigative Committee Report – Dr. Bert Yeargan

No report.

Legislative Committee Report – Dr. Steve Holcomb

No report.

Licensure Overview Committee Report – Dr. Tracy Gay

No report.

Education Committee Report – Dr. Tom Godfrey

Dr. Holcomb reported that Dr. Nancy Young has been very appreciative for the Board taking time to help with understanding the exam process including logistics and calibration.

Long Range Planning Committee Report – Dr. Steve Holcomb

Dr. Holcomb reported that a list of issues with recommendations has been submitted to Dr. Bennett for his review and future discussion.

CRDTS Steering Committee – Dr. Logan Nalley

Dr. Nalley reported that the CRDTS Steering Committee meets again in two weeks. He stated that if anyone had any issues that he/she would like for Dr. Nalley to bring to the Committee, to please let him know.

Dr. Nalley further reported that Kimber Cobb is now the Acting Executive Director.

IP Committee Report – Dr. Richard Bennett

No report.

Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Tanja Battle

Ms. Battle reported that we are wrapping up with renewals. There are currently 202 dental hygienists and 71 dentists in “Active-Renewal Pending” status.

Ms. Battle further reported that online applications are now live for dental hygienists. Ms. Battle stated that this was one of the services that the Board had at the Secretary of State’s office that has now been brought to completion.

Ms. Battle stated that the Board is now a member of the American Association of Dental Boards (AADB). There is a conference scheduled in Texas and if any Board members want to attend, to please let her know.

Ms. Battle stated that staff has tried reaching out to the American Association of Dental Administrators (AADA) by phone and email and they are not being very responsive. Dr. Holcomb suggested Ms. Battle contact Ms. Lilly Reitz.

Attorney General’s Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes

No report.

Officer Elections

Dr. Nalley made a motion to elect Dr. Steve Holcomb as Vice-President of the full Board. Dr. Gay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Dr. Holcomb made a motion to elect Dr. Logan Nalley as President of the full Board. Ms. Engel seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Dr. Logan Nalley made a motion and Dr. Bert Yeargan 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, Dr. Randy Daniel, Ms. Connie Engel, Dr. Tracy Gay, Dr. Greg Goggans, Dr. Steve Holcomb, Dr. Logan Nalley, Dr. Antwan Treadway and Dr. Bert Yeargan.

Executive Session

Licensure Overview Committee Appointments/Discussion Cases

- G.W.P.
- L.D.M.
- C.B.L.
- D.E.T.
- D.G.H.
- R.R.R.
- D.B.C.
- J.A.C.
- R.D.G.
- D.L.L.

Applications

- B.J.T.
- D.J.S.
- S.B.A.
- R.A.B.
- T.M.R.J.
- R.K.

Investigative Committee Report

Report presented:

- DENT130087
- DENT120010
- DENT130230
- DENT120096
- DENT120031
- DENT100272
- DENT120122
- DENT120133
- DENT120165
- DENT130124
- DENT140012
- DENT100248
- DENT140078
- DENT140096
- J. P. M.
- DENT130208
- DENT140023

- DENT140023
- DENT130143
- DENT140004
- DENT120099
- DENT090147
- DENT110178
- DENT110190
- DENT120049
- DENT140029
- DENT140081
- DENT120066
- I. D.
- DENT120045
- DENT120124

Correspondences

- Correspondence from G.C.S.
- Correspondence from C.L.B.
- Correspondence from D.J.L.
- Correspondence from K.O.B.
- Correspondence regarding J.G.
- Correspondence regarding S.C.
- Correspondence from D.R.

Executive Director's Report – Ms. Tanja Battle

- D.O.
- A.C.G.
- K.S.M.

Ms. Battle presented the following Voluntary Surrenders for acceptance:

- K.H.
- A.P.

Attorney General's Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes

Mr. Thernes presented the following consent orders for acceptance:

- H.P.W.
- C.C.C.
- A.M.
- B.L.H.
- K.L.
- K.C.
- A.K.

Mr. Thernes discussed the following individual:

- B.L.H.

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

Dr. Nalley made a motion to approve all recommendations based on deliberations in Executive Session as follows:

Appearance

- G.N. Denial upheld

Licensure Overview Committee Appointments/Discussion Cases

- G.W.P. Renewal pending Schedule to meet with the Licensure Overview Committee
- L.D.M. Dental Hygiene Credentials Approved application
- C.B.L. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Approved application
- D.E.T. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Refer to the Attorney General’s office
- D.G.H. Request to terminate probation Approved request
- R.R.R. Dental Exam Applicant Approved application
- D.B.C. Renewal pending Refer to the Attorney General’s office
- J.A.C. Request to terminate probation Approved request pending receipt of additional information
- R.D.G. Request to terminate consent order Table pending receipt of additional information
- D.L.L. Request to terminate consent order Approved request pending receipt of additional information

Applications

- B.J.T. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Approved application
- D.J.S. Dental Exam Applicant Approved application
- S.B.A. Dental Credentials Applicant Denied application
- R.A.B. Injectable Pharmacologics Approved application
- T.M.R.J. Injectable Pharmacologics Approved application
- R.K. Dental Exam Applicant Tabled

Investigative Committee Report

Report presented:

Complaint number	Allegations	Recommendations
DENT130087	Quality of Care	Refer to AG
DENT120010	Quality of Care	Close
DENT130230	Quality of Care	Close
DENT120096	Quality of Care	Close
DENT120031	Quality of Care	Close
DENT100272	Quality of Care	Close
DENT120122	MMPR	Close
DENT120133	Self-Report	Close
DENT120165	Quality of Care	Close
DENT130124	Quality of Care	Close
DENT140012	MMPR	Close
DENT100248	Quality of Care	Close
DENT140078	Quality of Care	Close

DENT140096	Quality of Care	Close
J. P. M.	False Advertising	Close
DENT130208	Quality of Care	Close w/LOC
DENT140023	Quality of Care	Close w/LOC
DENT140023	Quality of Care	Refer to AG Office
DENT130143	Quality of Care	Close - No Action
DENT140004	Quality of Care	Refer to AG Office
DENT120099	Quality of Care	Close - Flag License
DENT090147	Self-Report	Close - No Action
DENT110178	Over Px & Tx Plan	Close - No Action
DENT110190	Quality of Care	Close - No Action
DENT120049	Quality of Care	Close - No Action
DENT140029	Quality of Care	Close - No Action
DENT140081	Arrest, Conviction & Pleas	Flag License
DENT120066	Quality of Care	Refer to AG Office
I. D.	Up-Selling	Close w/LOC
DENT120045.	ULP	Close - No Action
DENT120124.	Unprofessional Conduct	Close - No Action

Correspondences

- Correspondence from G.C.S.: Approved request for an extension until 12/31/2014.
- Correspondence from C.L.B.: Denied request for a reduction of the late renewal fee.
- Correspondence from D.J.L.: Denied request for a reduction of the late renewal fee.
- Correspondence from K.O.B.: Denied request for a refund.
- Correspondence regarding J.G.: Upheld denial of credentials application.
- Correspondence regarding S.C.: Directed staff to notify individual that she may work as a Dental Assistant, but may not perform the duties of an Expanded Duties Dental Assistant without taking the appropriate course for such.
- Correspondence from D.R.: Directed staff to notify the individual that the use of ketamine and propofol would be outside the scope of her permit.

Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Tanja Battle

- D.O. Correspondence Refer to the Attorney General’s office
- A.C.G. Correspondence Refer to the Attorney General’s office
- K.S.M. Correspondence Approved for renewal

Ms. Battle presented the following Voluntary Surrenders for acceptance:

- K.H. Voluntary Surrender accepted
- A.P. Voluntary Surrender accepted

Attorney General’s Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes

Mr. Thernes presented the following consent orders for acceptance:

- H.P.W. Private Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt
- C.C.C. Public Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt
- A.M. Public Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt

- receipt
- B.L.H. Private Consent Order accepted
- K.L. Public Consent Order accepted
- K.C. Public Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt
- A.K. Public Consent Order to be accepted and signed with express permission upon receipt

Mr. Thernes discussed the following individual:

- B.L.H. Refer to the Attorney General's office

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

The next scheduled meeting of the Georgia Board of Dentistry will be held on Friday, July 18, 2014, at 9:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health's office located at 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 36th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303.

The Board meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Brandi P. Howell, Business Operations Specialist

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