

GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY
Board Meeting
2 Peachtree St., N.W., 36th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303
May 5, 2017
10:00 a.m.

The following Board members were present:

Dr. Bert Yeargan, President
Dr. Tom Godfrey, Vice-President
Dr. Richard Bennett
Ms. Becky Bynum
Dr. Tracy Gay
Dr. Greg Goggans
Ms. Wendy Johnson
Dr. Dale Mayfield
Dr. Antwan Treadway

Staff present:

Tanja Battle, Executive Director
Bryon Thernes, Assistant Attorney General
Ryan McNeil, Chief Investigator
Anil Foreman, Attorney
Brandi Howell, Business Support Analyst I

Visitors:

Charles Craig, GDHA
Heather Breeden, GDA
Margie Miller, AU
Ryan Loke, PDS
John Watson, ADSO
James E. Barron, GDS
Chris Haugen, SDA

Dr. Yeargan established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

Open Session

Introduction of Visitors

Dr. Yeargan welcomed the visitors.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Bynum made a motion to approve the Public and Executive Session minutes for April 7, 2017 meeting and April 28, 2017 Conference Call. Dr. Gay seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Licenses to Ratify

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

Correspondence from Dr. Geoffrey W. Sheen

The Board considered this correspondence regarding referrals. Dr. Godfrey made a motion to direct staff to respond to Dr. Sheen by stating, that he is required to keep the patient records for no less than a period of ten (10) years from the date of the patient's last office visit, per Board Rule 150-8-.01. However, if the patient does not proceed with treatment or return for a treatment presentation, he is not obligated to treat the patient if there is an emergency months after the exam. Dr. Mayfield seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Correspondence from Corliss Norman-Williamson, Augusta University

The Board considered this correspondence regarding faculty practice licenses. In her inquiry, Ms. Norman-Williamson asked the following questions: How many years of training is required for a faculty practice license and does the training have to be from a CODA accredited program? Do residency and fellowship training in the US qualify towards obtaining a faculty practice license? Specifically, training from a Canadian CODA accredited program. What tests are required for a faculty practice license? Dr. Treadway made a motion to direct staff to respond to Ms. Norman-Williamson by stating at least two (2) years of successful completion from a CODA approved postdoctoral specialty program are required to obtain a faculty practice license. Residency and fellowship training in the US qualify towards obtaining a faculty practice license if there is successful completion of the program and certification of such by the Dean. Lastly, completion of a clinical license examination is not required to obtain a restricted faculty license. Dr. Bennett seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

General – Dr. Bert Yeargan

No report.

CE Audit Committee Report – Dr. Richard Bennett

No report.

Conscious Sedation/General Anesthesia Committee Report – Dr. Antwan Treadway

No report.

Credentials Committee Report – Dr. Greg Goggans

No report.

Dental Hygiene Committee Report – Ms. Rebecca Bynum

No report.

Examination Committee Report – Dr. Steve Holcomb

No report.

Investigative Committee Report – Dr. Bert Yeargan

No report.

Legislative Committee Report – Dr. Greg Goggans

No report.

Licensure Overview Committee Report – Dr. Tracy Gay

No report.

Rules Committee Report – Dr. Tom Godfrey

Dr. Godfrey reported that the Rules Committee would convene following the full Board meeting.

Education Committee Report – Dr. Tom Godfrey

No report.

Long Range Planning Committee Report – Dr. Steve Holcomb

No report.

CRDTS Steering Committee – Dr. Logan Nalley

No report.

IP Committee Report – Dr. Richard Bennett

No report.

EDDA Review Committee – Dr. Greg Goggans

No report.

Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Tanja Battle

Addiction Program Criteria: Ms. Battle stated that periodically the Board receives requests from treatment providers that would like to be approved providers for the Board. She stated that in the past, there have not been any criteria used in making those determinations. The document provided for the Board was developed for the Board of Pharmacy. She asked the board members to please review if they had not had a chance to do so yet. The Board requested to table this matter to allow additional time for consideration.

Correspondence from Katelynn Rogers: Ms. Battle reported that she briefly discussed this correspondence with Dr. Goggans as it pertains to expanded functions. The certificate obtained by Ms. Tharp merely says “Dental Assisting” and does not outline specific functions. Dr. Godfrey made a motion to direct staff to respond to Ms. Rogers by requesting she obtain a syllabus from the school stating what she is trained in and once received, forward the information to the EDDA Committee for review. Dr. Mayfield seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Exam Review Committee (ERC) Representative: Ms. Battle requested the Board vote on a representative for Georgia to replace Dr. Nalley, who is timing out. Dr. Bennett made a motion to nominate Dr. Yeargan as the ERC Representative for Georgia. Dr. Mayfield seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Attorney General’s Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes

No report.

Miscellaneous

2015 Dentist Workforce Report: The Board viewed this correspondence for informational purposes only.

Dr. Tracy Gay made a motion and Dr. Richard Bennett 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. Tracy Gay, Dr. Tom Godfrey, Dr. Greg Goggans, Ms. Wendy Johnson, Dr. Dale Mayfield, Dr. Antwan Treadway, and Dr. Bert Yeargan.

Executive Session

Licensure Overview Committee Appointments/Discussion Cases:

- C.M.W.
- K.M.D.
- D.G.H.
- J.S.W.
- J.G.W.

Applications

- A.B.C.

- J.W.J.
- S.L.J.
- S.M.D.
- W.L.P.
- Y.C.O.
- C.L.T.
- C.E.T.
- N.R.W.
- B.F.
- P.N.P.
- K.L.L.
- S.J.D.
- D.D.B.
- T.D.R.
- B.L.R.
- H.M.C.
- J.L.A.
- T.R.P.
- S.S.T.
- N.J.
- C.C.N.
- C.M.F.
- C.D.C.
- D.A.
- E.R.F.
- M.S.G.
- R.D.S.
- S.C.M.
- Y.C.T.
- Y.T.
- R.M.W.
- P.A.P.
- S.N.

Appearance

- M.B.

Correspondences

- S.M.
- D.R.L.
- T.T.

Investigative Committee Report

Report presented:

- DENT160430
- DENT160452
- DENT170233

- DENT170092
- DENT170256
- DENT170257
- DENT150395
- DENT160176
- DENT160193
- DENT150255
- DENT150222
- DENT160320
- DENT170139
- DENT170141
- DENT170168
- DENT170169
- DENT170184
- DENT170186
- DENT170192
- DENT170198
- DENT170211
- DENT170223
- DENT170144
- DENT170048
- DENT170027
- DENT150311
- DENT150352
- DENT150392
- DENT160410
- DENT170120
- DENT160169
- DENT170043
- DENT170130
- DENT170151
- DENT170172
- DENT170207
- DENT170208
- DENT170209
- DENT170227
- DENT170231
- DENT170232
- DENT150182
- DENT160169
- DENT150352
- DENT150392
- DENT160410
- DENT170120
- DENT170266
- DENT150197

Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Tanja Battle

- No report.

Attorney General’s Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes

Mr. Thernes presented the following consent orders for acceptance:

- A.M.G.
- J.S.J
- A.D.M.

Legal Services – Ms. Anil Foreman

- No report.

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

Open Session

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

Licensure Overview Committee Appointments/Discussion Cases:

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| • C.M.W. | Request to terminate consent order | Approved request |
| • K.M.D. | Request to terminate consent order | Approved request |
| • D.G.H. | Dentist Credentials Applicant | Approved application |
| • J.S.W. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • J.G.W. | Request to terminate consent order | Approved request |

Applications

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| • A.B.C. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • J.W.J. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • S.L.J. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • S.M.D. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • W.L.P. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • Y.C.O. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • C.L.T. | Dental Hygiene Exam Applicant | Schedule to meet with the Licensure Overview Committee |
| • C.E.T. | Dental Hygiene Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • N.R.W. | Dental Hygiene Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • B.F. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • P.N.P. | Dentist Exam Applicant | Approved application |
| • K.L.L. | Dentist Credentials Applicant | Table pending receipt of additional information |
| • S.J.D. | Dentist Credentials Applicant | Approved application |
| • D.D.B. | Dentist Credentials Applicant | Table pending receipt of additional information |
| • T.D.R. | Dental Hygiene Credentials | Approved application |
| • B.L.R. | Dental Hygiene Reinstatement | Approved application |
| • H.M.C. | Dental Hygiene Reinstatement | Table pending receipt of additional information |
| • J.L.A. | Dental Hygiene Reinstatement | Approved application |

- T.R.P. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Approved application
- S.S.T. Dental Hygiene Reinstatement Approved application
- N.J. Dental Faculty Applicant Approved application
- C.C.N. Dental Faculty Applicant Approved application
- C.M.F. Public Health Applicant Approved application
- C.D.C. Conscious Sedation Applicant Approved extension of provisional permit and reschedule for evaluation
- D.A. General Anesthesia Applicant Approved application
- E.R.F. Enteral/Inhalation Conscious Sedation Approved application
- M.S.G. Conscious Sedation Applicant Approved evaluation
- R.D.S. Conscious Sedation Applicant Approved for provisional permit
- S.C.M. Conscious Sedation Applicant Approved for provisional permit
- Y.C.T. Conscious Sedation Applicant Table pending receipt of additional information
- Y.T. Conscious Sedation Applicant Approved evaluation
- R.M.W. Conscious Sedation Applicant Approved evaluation
- P.A.P. Inactive Status Applicant Approved application
- S.N. Volunteer Applicant Approved application

Appearance

- M.B. Denied DH Credentials Uphold denial

Correspondences

- S.M. Request to withdraw denied application Denied request
- D.R.L. Request to lift practice restriction Approved request
- T.T. Request to substitute exam results Denied request

Investigative Committee Report

Report presented:

Complaint Number	Allegations	Recommendation
DENT160430	Quality of care/substandard practice	Accept voluntary surrender
DENT160452	Fraud	Accept voluntary surrender
DENT170233	Arrest, conviction, and pleas	Accept voluntary surrender
DENT170092	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170256	Billing	Close with a letter of concern
DENT170257	Unprofessional conduct	Close with no action
DENT150395	Unlicensed practice	Close with no action
DENT160176	Unlicensed practice	Close with no action
DENT160193	Other	Close with no action
DENT150255	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT150222	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT160320	Arrest, conviction, and pleas	Close with no action
DENT170139	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with letter of concern
DENT170141	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170168	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170169	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170184	Records release	Close with a letter of concern

DENT170186	Other	Close with no action
DENT170192	Arrest, conviction, and pleas	Close with no action
DENT170198	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170211	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170223	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with a letter of concern
DENT170144	Review of records before release	Release file except for green sheet and two emails
DENT170048	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170027		
DENT150311	Quality of care/substandard practice	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT150352	Quality of care/substandard practice	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT150392	Morbidity and mortality	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT160410	Quality of care/substandard practice	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT170120	Morbidity and mortality	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT170027	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT160169	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170043	Billing	Close with no action
DENT170130	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170151	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with a letter of concern
DENT170172	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170207	Other	Close with no action
DENT170208	Malpractice	Close with no action
DENT170209	Malpractice	Close with no action
DENT170227	Morbidity and mortality	Close with no action
DENT170231	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with a letter of concern
DENT170232	Billing	Close with no action
DENT150182	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with a letter of concern
DENT160169	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT150352	Quality of care/substandard practice	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT150392	Morbidity and mortality	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT160410	Quality of care/substandard practice	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT170120	Morbidity and mortality	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT170266	Other	Close with no action
DENT150197	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action

Executive Director’s Report – Ms. Tanja Battle

- No report.

Attorney General’s Report – Mr. Bryon Thernes

Mr. Thernes presented the following consent orders for acceptance:

- A.M.G. Private Consent Order accepted
- J.S.J Public Consent Order accepted
- A.D.M. Public Consent Order accepted

Legal Services – Ms. Anil Foreman

- No report.

Ms. Bynum seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

With no further business, the Board meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Georgia Board of Dentistry will be held on Friday, June 2, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Community Health's office located at 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., 36th Floor, Atlanta, GA 30303.

Minutes recorded by Brandi Howell, Business Support Analyst I
Minutes edited by Tanja D. Battle, Executive Director