

**GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY**  
**Committee Meeting**  
**2 Peachtree St., N.W., 36<sup>th</sup> Floor**  
**Atlanta, GA 30303**  
**June 2, 2017**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**The following Board members were present:**

Dr. Bert Yeargan, President  
Ms. Becky Bynum  
Ms. Wendy Johnson (*via conference call*)  
Dr. Steve Holcomb  
Dr. Logan Nalley  
Dr. Antwan Treadway

**Staff present:**

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

**Visitors:**

Dr. Kevin Frazier, Dental College of GA  
Pam Wilkes, Help A Child Smile  
James E. Barron, GDS  
Heather Breeden, GDA  
Dennis LaGanza, ADSO  
Lewis Massey, ADSO  
Kendra McKune, GDHA  
Valerie Dangler-Ferro, GDHA  
TJ Kaplan, PDS

Dr. Yeargan established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

**Introduction of Visitors**

Dr. Yeargan welcomed the visitors.

**Public Hearing**

Dr. Yeargan called the public hearing to order at 10:03 a.m.

**Rule 150-2-.02 Complaints**

No comments or written responses were received.

**Rule 150-3-.01 Examination for Dental Licensure**

No comments or written responses were received.

Dr. Nalley made a motion to adopt Rule 150-2-.02 Complaints and Rule 150-3-.01 Examination for Dental Licensure. Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

The hearing adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Ms. Johnson, who participated via conference call, left the call at 10:05 a.m. Due to a lack of a quorum, Dr. Yeargan declared the meeting as a committee meeting.

**Approval of Minutes**

Dr. Nalley made a motion to approve the Public and Executive Session minutes for the May 5, 2017 meeting and the Public and Executive Session minutes as amended for the May 30, 2017 conference call. Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Licenses to Ratify**

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

**Petition for Rule Variance from Dr. Kylie Lewis**

Dr. Holcomb made a motion to deny the rule variance petition. Dr. Treadway seconded and the Committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

**Correspondence from John Dennis**

The Committee considered this correspondence requesting to speak to the Board about the safety issues of using capnography during sedation. The Committee directed staff to schedule Mr. Dennis to conduct the presentation before the Sedation Committee. Dr. Treadway, Chair of the Sedation Committee, requested Mr. Dennis provide information on the product to the Committee prior to his scheduled appearance.

**Correspondence from Stephanie Wall**

The Committee considered this correspondence requesting clarification regarding the wording “eligible for graduation” as stated in Rule 150-9-.02(2)(b). The Committee directed staff to respond to Ms. Wall by stating in regards to eligibility for graduation, the Board does not make that determination. That determination should be made by the school/administration.

**Correspondence from Dr. Michael Sigler**

The Committee considered this correspondence regarding teledentistry regulations. The Committee directed staff to respond to Dr. Sigler by stating that the Board is currently working to promulgate rules regarding teledentistry.

**Correspondence from Jeremy Thompson**

The Committee considered this correspondence regarding sending an impression directly to a customer and inquiring as to whether or not a dentist must be on staff in order to do so. The Committee directed staff to respond by stating that a Georgia licensed dentist needs to make the impression and write the prescription. Additionally, the Committee suggested Mr. Thompson refer to Rules 150-14-.01 and 150-14-.02 for more information.

**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**

Dr. Holcomb asked if the Board had appointed a new ERC representative. Ms. Battle responded that the Board appointed Dr. Yeargan as the ERC representative at its previous meeting. Dr. Holcomb requested board staff contact CRDTS staff to notify them of the change.

**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**

No report.

**Education Committee Report – Dr. Tom Godfrey**

No report.

**Long Range Planning Committee Report – Dr. Steve Holcomb**

Dr. Holcomb reported that he believes the Board is doing its due diligence with moving forward with teledentistry.

**CRDTS Steering Committee – Dr. Logan Nalley**

Dr. Nalley reported that he is unable to attend the next CRDTS Steering Committee and that Dr. Yeargan will attend in his place. Dr. Nalley requested board staff contact CRDTS staff to notify them that Dr. Yeargan will be attending the meeting as the Georgia representative.

**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 asked the committee members if they had a chance review this information as it had been tabled since the Board’s previous meeting. Dr. Holcomb made a motion to add language stating “*Monitoring physician should be subject to the approval of the Board*”. Dr. Nalley seconded and the Committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Ms. Battle stated that the form will be amended to reflect this information and will be presented to the Board at its July meeting.

Graduates: Ms. Battle reported that the board office has received a huge influx of applications and phone calls from recent graduates. She stated that any review of applications on Sharepoint would be greatly appreciated.

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

No report.

**Miscellaneous**

Dental Screening Request from Valerie Dangler-Ferro, DH011881: Dr. Treadway made a motion to approve the request. Ms. Bynum seconded and the Committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Notice of Annual CRDTS Meeting: The Committee viewed this correspondence for informational purposes only.

Nominations for President and Vice-President: Dr. Nalley made a motion to nominate Dr. Godfrey for President and Dr. Goggans for Vice-President. Dr. Holcomb seconded and the Committee voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Dr. Steve Holcomb made a motion and Dr. Logan Nalley seconded and the Committee 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 Ms. Becky Bynum, Dr. Steve Holcomb, Dr. Logan Nalley, Dr. Antwan Treadway, and Dr. Bert Yeargan.

**Executive Session**

**Licensure Overview Committee Appointments/Discussion Cases:**

- C.L.T.
- J.S.B.

**Applications**

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

### **Correspondences**

- C.M.F.
- R.K.
- M.W.

### **Investigative Committee Report**

Report presented:

- DENT160410
- DENT160225
- DENT150160
- DENT150191
- DENT150209
- DENT150265
- DENT150272
- DENT150365
- DENT150367
- DENT150371
- DENT150388
- DENT160218
- DENT160267
- DENT160271
- DENT170170
- DENT170171
- DENT170205
- DENT170238
- DENT170241
- DENT170295
- DENT170293
- DENT150381
- DENT170089
- DENT170091
- DENT140137
- DENT170228

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

- P.S.
- M.E.R.

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

- No report.

### **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

Ms. Johnson re-joined the meeting via conference call at 11:53 a.m. Dr. Yeargan declared that a quorum of the full Board was present.

Dr. Holcomb made a motion to approve all recommendations made by the Committee in Open Session and all recommendations made by the Committee based on deliberations in Executive Session as follows:

### Licensure Overview Committee Appointments/Discussion Cases:

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|----------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| • C.L.T. | Dental Hygiene Exam Applicant      | Approved application |
| • J.S.B. | Request to terminate probation     | Approved request     |
| • J.R.R. | Request to terminate consent order | Approved request     |

### Applications

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|----------|-------------------------------|--|
| • G.M.   | Dental Hygiene Exam Applicant | Approved application                                   |
| • F.T.C. | Dental Exam Applicant         | Denied application                                     |
| • A.E.R. | Dental Exam Applicant         | Approved application                                   |
| • W.K.S. | Dental Exam Applicant         | Approved application                                   |
| • N.O.   | Dental Exam Applicant         | Approved application                                   |
| • D.R.C. | Dental Exam Applicant         | Approved application                                   |
| • J.C.   | Dental Exam Applicant         | Approved application                                   |
| • V.T.D. | Dental Exam Applicant         | Approved application                                   |
| • C.D.B. | Dental Hygiene Credentials    | Approved application                                   |
| • K.R.J. | Dental Hygiene Credentials    | Approved application                                   |
| • N.W.   | Dental Credentials Applicant  | Approved application                                   |
| • J.W.G. | Dental Credentials Applicant  | Table pending receipt of additional information        |
| • D.D.B. | Dental Credentials Applicant  | Schedule to meet with the Licensure Overview Committee |
| • S.M.P. | Dental Hygiene Reinstatement  | Refer to Legal Services                                |
| • S.E.C. | Dental Hygiene Reinstatement  | Table pending receipt of additional information        |
| • M.M.V. | Dental Hygiene Reinstatement  | Approved application                                   |
| • P.O.E. | Dental Hygiene Reinstatement  | Refer to Legal Services                                |
| • G.A.H. | Dental Faculty Applicant      | Approved application                                   |
| • M.R.H. | Dental Faculty Applicant      | Approved application                                   |
| • R.E.H. | Dental Faculty Applicant      | Approved application                                   |
| • F.A.F. | Dental Faculty Applicant      | Approved application                                   |
| • A.M.   | Conscious Sedation Applicant  | Approved for provisional permit                        |
| • W.L.   | Enteral/Inhalation Applicant  | Approved application                                   |

### Correspondences

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| • C.M.F. | Correspondence regarding Public Health licensure | The Committee directed staff to respond to licensee by stating a public health license was issued to the individual based on the fact the individual met the requirements for such. |
| • R.K.   | Correspondence regarding Faculty licensure       | The Committee viewed this correspondence for informational purposes only.   |
| • M.W.   | Correspondence regarding the                     | The Committee viewed this correspondence  |

**Investigative Committee Report**

Report presented:

<b>Complaint Number</b>	<b>Allegations</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
DENT160410	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT160225	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT150160	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT150191	Unlicensed practice	Close with a letter of concern
DENT150209	Unprofessional conduct	Close with no action
DENT150265	Self-report/licensee	Close with no action
DENT150272	Other	Close with no action
DENT150365	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with a letter of concern
DENT150367	Unprofessional conduct	Close with a letter of concern
DENT150371	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT150388	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with a letter of concern
DENT160218	Malpractice	Close with no action
DENT160267	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT160271	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170170	Unprofessional conduct	Close with no action
DENT170171	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170205	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170238	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170241	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170295	Unprofessional conduct	Close with a letter of concern
DENT170293	Records release	Close with no action
DENT150381	Quality of care/substandard practice	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT170089	Quality of care/substandard practice	Refer to the Department of Law
DENT170091	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT140137	Quality of care/substandard practice	Close with no action
DENT170228	Unsanitary conditions	Close with a letter of concern

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

- P.S. Dental Exam Applicant Approved application
- M.E.R. Dental Exam Applicant Approved application

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

- No report.

**Legal Services – Ms. Anil Foreman**

- No report.

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

With no further business, the Board meeting adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the Georgia Board of Dentistry will be held on Friday, July 7, 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