

The Georgia Board of Dentistry

Minutes

March 7, 2003

A meeting of the Georgia Board of Dentistry was held on Friday, March 7, 2003 at the Professional Licensing Boards Office, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The Following Board Members were Present:

Dr. Logan Nalley, Jr., Vice President
Tunde Anday, RDH
Dr. Clyde Andrews
Dr. Clark Carroll
Dr. Henry Cook
Mr. Charles McDougald
Dr. C. Christopher McFarland
Dr. Peter Trager
Dr. Jimmy Walker, Jr.
Dr. Carol Wolff

Others Present:

Tachunta A. Thomas, Executive Director
Raymonia T. Mathis, Board Secretary
Allyson Krause, Assistant Attorney General
Bob Vedder, GDA
Martha Phillips, GDA
J. J. Hamben, GDHA

Dr. Nalley, Vice President, established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. Dr. Cook made a motion to accept the minutes for the February 14, 2003 Board meeting. Dr. Walker seconded the motion with a request to include in the minutes that the Board participated in SRTA calibration exercises. The motion carried unanimously.

Dental Hygiene Sub-Committee

Ms. Anday announced that she would not be attending the AADE Meeting in Chicago due to the new travel restrictions by the Secretary of State's Office. She stated she was very concerned about the travel/budgetary issue adversely impacting the ability of dental board members to attend meetings where peers share vital information that protects the public welfare. Dr. Nalley announced that he would also not be able to attend due to a scheduling conflict. Volunteers were sought to attend in his place. Dr. Trager made a motion that the Board express its concerns in writing to Secretary of State Cathy Cox about travel/budgetary issues. Dr. Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Examination Committee

CPT Thomas R. Chandler, DDS – Request for waiver of SRTA Exam – The Board voted to send correspondence to CPT. Chandler advising him that the Board does not license by credentials, therefore his request has been denied.

Legislative Committee

Dr. McFarland announced that House Bills 284, 352, 430, 442, and Senate Bill 162 were introduced. He stated that Resolution 228 was introduced which resulted in the withdrawal of HB 430. Dr. Walker made a motion to send a letter of support to Representative Heckstall. Dr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Dr. Walker also made a motion to send a letter of concern to distributors, malls, and dental supply companies about unlicensed practice activities after passage of HR 228. Dr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Carroll made a motion for the President to form a committee to gather information on the pros and cons of the Dental Board becoming autonomous. Dr. Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Drs. Andrews, Carroll, and Wolff were appointed to the committee.

Ms. Phillips announced that Sen. Don Thomas introduced SB179 regarding the electronic transfer of prescriptions. The Board asked Ms. Krause to research the issue of dentists delegating the task of phoning in prescriptions or refills to dental auxiliaries.

Licensure Overview Committee

The Board approved the written policy on voiding incomplete applications after one year.

Rules Committee

Rule 150-5-.03 (Supervision of Dental Hygienists) - Dr. Trager made a motion to approve for posting. Ms. Anday seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director's Open Session

Ms. Thomas gave an operations and statistic report on licenses issued, disciplinary actions, and complaints.

Miscellaneous

Dr. Walker announced that the MCG Search Committee selected Dr. Connie Drisko as the new Dean of the School of Dentistry. Ms. Thomas announced that Dr. Drisko is on the agenda to attend the May 22, 2003 board meeting in Augusta.

The Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O. C. G. A. §43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports, and the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were Ms. Anday, Dr. Andrews, Dr. Carroll, Dr. Cook, Dr. McFarland, Dr. Nalley, Dr. Trager, Dr. Walker, and Dr. Wolff. The Board concluded executive session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Licensure Overview Committee

Robert V. Schmidt, DDS – Termination of Probation – Dr. Walker made a motion to approve. Dr. Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Licenses to Be Ratified

The following applications were presented for ratification:

REINSTATEMENTS

License #	Name
DH006652	Kelly M. Menoche, RDH

DENTISTS

License # Name
DN012702 Patrick M. Van Derhei
DN012703 Thomas Jackson
DN012704 Tracee V. Chatman

DENTAL HYGIENISTS

License # Name
DH008848 Karla Thompson
DH008849 Nena Ansari

CONSCIOUS SEDATION PERMIT

DNCS000182 Monica D. McIntyre
DNCS000183 Judith L. Christianson

DENTAL FACULTY

DNF000312 Robert S. Levering
DNF000313 Ahmed H. Khocht
DNF000314 Joseph Sanker

Dr. Trager made a motion to ratify applications for licensure. Dr. Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Applications/Licensure

D. A. S., DDS – Dental Applicant – Dr. Cooke made a motion to approve. Dr. Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

C. M., DDS – Dental Applicant – Dr. Cooke made a motion to approve. Dr. Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Investigative Report

2003 MCG Externship Dentists – Dr. Trager made a motion to approve. Dr. Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Kimberly Y. Robinson, RDH - Voluntary Cease and Desist Order – Dr. Trager made a motion to approve. Dr. Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>	<u>CASE NUMBER</u>
CLOSE	37-01-01-00214
CLOSE	37-01-02-00005
CLOSE	DENT 02-0206
CLOSE	DENT 02-0224
CLOSE	DENT 03-0032
CLOSE	DENT 02-0071
CLOSE w/LOC RECOMMEND S/D TAKE RISK MANAGEMENT COURSE	37-01-02-00126

CLOSE w/LOC	DENT 03-0001
REFER TO A.G.	DENT 02-0223
REFER FOR CRIMINAL PROSECUTION	DENT 02-0236

Dr. Trager made a motion to approve the recommendations of the Investigative Committee as listed in the Investigative Report. Dr. Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director’s Report

R. M. S., DDS – 2nd Appeal of Licensure Denial – Dr. Trager made a motion to return materials sent by applicant and affirm previous decision to deny. Dr. Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Attorney General’s Report

Thomas P. Garrison, Jr., DDS – Public Consent Order – Dr. Carroll made a motion to accept the consent order. Dr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

K. D.M., RDH – Private Consent Order – Dr. Carroll made a motion to accept the consent order. Dr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

James B. Whitesell, DDS – Public Consent Order – Dr. Carroll made a motion to accept the consent order. Dr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Pamela S. Mounts, RDH – Consent Order Reinstating License – Dr. Carroll made a motion to accept the consent order. Dr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mark J. Mokas, DDS – Consent Order – Dr. Carroll made a motion to accept the consent order. Dr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

R. T., DDS – Consent Order – Dr. Carroll made a motion to refer to the Attorney General’s Office for revocation. Dr. Wolff seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Miscellaneous

Dr. Wolff made a motion for the Board to submit a letter to Dr. Holcomb setting forth the following positions on SRTA issues:

- Only allow SRTA examiners to participate in SRTA exams
- Board of Directors should have an agreement with other States to allow the SRTA exam to be taken in the State
- A state can be allowed to belong to SRTA and any other testing agency
- West Virginia should not have official examiners at SRTA exams.

Dr. Walker seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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