

**GEORGIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY**  
**Board Meeting**  
**October 10, 2003**

A meeting of the Georgia Board of Dentistry was held on Friday, October 10, 2003, at the Capitol Education Center, 180 Central Avenue, in Atlanta, Georgia.

**The following Board members were present:**

Dr. Logan Nalley, Jr., President  
Ms. Tunde Anday, RDH  
Dr. Clyde Andrews  
Dr. Clark Carroll  
Dr. C. Christopher McFarland  
Dr. Peter Trager  
Dr. Willis J. Walker, Jr.  
Dr. Carol Wolff

**Others Present:**

Mollie Fleeman, Division Director  
Tachunta A. Thomas, Asst. Div. Dir.  
Anita O. Martin, Executive Director  
Susan S. Hewett, Board Secretary  
Allyson Krause, Assistant Attorney  
General  
Cheryl Haynes, GDHA  
Martha Phillips, GDA  
Nancy Sikes, GDHA  
Cas Robinson, GDHA  
Chip Hodge, Attorney General  
Office Intern  
Curt Thompson, Ga. House of  
Representatives

Dr. Nalley, Board President, established that a quorum was present, and the meeting scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. was **called to order** at 9:04 a.m.

**Minutes:** Dr. Walker made a motion, Dr. Trager seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the minutes for the September 12, 2003 meeting.

**CE Audit Committee:** Ms. Anday and Dr. Walker will be assisting with the CE audit review for license renewal which is scheduled for November 21, 2003 and December 19, 2003.

**Conscious Sedation/General Anesthesia Committee:** **No report** due to absence of Dr. Broadfoot; however, Dr. Nalley advised that the committee will be reviewing and giving further consideration to the possibility of issuing conscious sedation/general anesthesia facility permits.

**Credentialing Committee:** Dr. Trager presented proposed credentialing legislation which was reviewed for **informational purposes only**.

**Dental Hygiene Sub-Committee:** Ms. Anday had no report for presentation.

Dr. McFarland addressed the representatives from the Georgia Dental Hygienists' Association regarding its sponsorship of a recent event which involved taking impressions of teeth on young children. Ms. Haynes, a representative of the GDHA, advised the Board that this was a community service event on behalf of the Ident-A-Kid program. She further announced that the purpose of the event was to provide parents with educational information and afford parents the opportunity to have impressions made of their children's teeth. The Board expressed concerns because Georgia law requires dental hygienists to carry out such duties under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist.

Dr. Wolff made a motion, Dr. McFarland seconded and the Board voted that any future programs of this nature must:

- be pre-approved by the Board;

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- not entail the taking of impressions unless carried out under the direct supervision of a dentist; however the distribution of information for educational purposes is allowable; and
- must include the presence of licensed dental faculty if dental hygiene students are in attendance and providing assistance.

**Examination Committee:** Dr. McFarland announced that examination assignments have not yet been finalized, but should be made available to everyone by Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.

**GENERAL:**

**Correspondence from GDHA regarding Rules for Dental Hygienists:** The Board reviewed the information received from GDHA as **informational only**.

**Correspondence from ADA regarding 2004 Accreditation Site Visit for the Medical College of Georgia: Dr. Carol Wolff** volunteered to serve as the Board representative at the Dental Accreditation's 2004 on-site evaluation of the School of Dentistry, Medical College of Georgia on November 30 through December 2, 2004.

**Correspondence from Andrea Butler regarding expanded duties course from Florida:** Dr. Walker made a motion, Ms. Anday seconded and the Board voted to **approve** Ms. Butler's expanded duties course certificate, subject to the limited functions authorized in Rule 150-9-.02.

**Correspondence from Kimberly Harris-Daugherty regarding expanded duties course from Florida Community College at Jacksonville:** Dr. Walker made a motion, Ms. Anday seconded and the Board voted to **approve** Ms. Harris-Daugherty's expanded duties course certificate, subject to the limited functions authorized in Rule 150-9-.02.

**Correspondence from DeWeise Collins Wright regarding expanded duties certificate from Indiana:** Dr. Trager made a motion, Dr. Carroll seconded and the Board voted to notify Ms. Wright that **additional information is required** before her request will be considered for approval.

**Correspondence from Ashley Locke regarding expanded duties course from the University of North Carolina:** Dr. Trager made a motion, Dr. Carroll seconded and the Board voted to notify Ms. Locke that **additional information is required** before her request will be considered for approval.

**Correspondence from Sharnn A. Shephard, DDS regarding the waiver of continuing education requirements:** Dr. Andrews made a motion, Dr. Trager seconded and the Board voted to **approve** a waiver of the 2002/2003 continuing education requirements.

**Legislative Committee:** Dr. Walker made a motion, Dr. Carroll seconded and the Board voted to **approve** that the report be received for **informational purposes**. The proposed legislative changes are to be reviewed and voted upon at a later date.

**Licensure Overview Committee:** Dr. Walker made a motion, Dr. Wolff seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the proposed C.E. remediation plan submitted by T.C.S., DMD.

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**Rules Committee:**

**Rule 150-3-.09 Requirements for Continuing Education for Dentists:** Dr. Walker made a motion, Dr. Carroll seconded and the Board voted to **approve posting** of the rule.

Rule 150-3-.09.

(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 licenses 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. 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).

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(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 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, ~~or~~ the American Heart Association, the American Safety and Health Institute, or the National Safety Council;

(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 and its affiliate associations and societies.

(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.

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(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.**

(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 designated in Rule [150-3-.09\(2\)](#) as being sponsored or approved by recognized organizations will be considered for credit pursuant to this subsection of the rule. Pre-doctoral courses taught by a dentist 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 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

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(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.

Authority O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11-7, 43-11-8(a)(2), 43-11-46(c), and 43-11-46.1

**Rule 150-5-.04 CPR Requirements for Dental Hygienists:** Dr. Walker made a motion, Dr. Wolff seconded and the Board voted to **approve posting** of the rule.

150-5-.04

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, ~~or~~ the American Red Cross, the American Safety and Health Institute, or the National Safety Council. 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.

Authority O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11-7, 43-11-8, AND 43-11-73(c)

**Rule 150-5-.05 Requirements for Continuing Education for Dental Hygienists:** Dr. Walker made a motion, Dr. Wolff seconded and the Board voted to **approve posting** of the rule.

**Rule 150-5-.05.**

- (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

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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;

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(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, or the National Safety Council may be used to satisfy continuing education requirements per renewal period.

(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.**

(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;



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(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:

(i) Documentation from an approved provider verifying that the dental hygienist 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 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 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.

Authority O.C.G.A. §§ 43-11-7, 43-11-8, 43-11-73(c), and 43-11-73.1

The Board voted that the formulation and adoption of these 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 applicable laws as provided by the Attorney General's office.

The board also voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of the applicable laws to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. §50-13-4(3)(A)(B)(C)(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 in the field of Dentistry.

**Executive Director's Open Session:** Tachunta Thomas announced that she has been promoted to Assistant Division Director of the Healthcare Sections, and introduced Anita Martin as the new Executive Director of the Dentistry Board.

Division Director, Mollie Fleeman, was in attendance to provide the Board with information regarding the restructuring activities of the PLB Division. Dr. Trager motioned, Dr. Andrews seconded and the Board voted to **request a meeting with**

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**Cathy Cox**, Secretary of State regarding their concerns with the impact of restructuring on the dental board's ability to carry out its responsibility to protect the public.

Dr. Walker expressed sincere thanks from the Board to Ms. Thomas for the job she has performed in serving as the Executive Director of the Dentistry Board, and wished her the best as she begins her new position.

**Attorney General's Report:**

**Correspondence from Melvin Goldstein regarding Dr. Edward Trimmier:** Dr. Carroll made a motion, Dr. Walker seconded and the Board voted to **deny** the request to modify the consent order dated September 12, 2003.

Ms. Krause reported on the following cases still **open** in her office:

- **Dr. Henry Salama** – Initial decision on OSHA Hearing pending
- **Dr Mark Dravis** – Initial decision pending
- **Dr. Felix Sibley** – Hearing scheduled in Superior Court

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

**Correspondence from Hinson Mosley, State Representative, regarding dental hygienists' regulations:** Dr. Carroll made a motion, Dr. Walker seconded and the Board voted to have Dr. McFarland draft a letter of response to Representative Mosley.

**Correspondence from Cathy Cox, Secretary of State regarding budget issues:** Viewed as **informational only**.

Dr. Wolff made a motion, Dr. Walker seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A §43-1-19(h)(2) and §43-1-2(k) 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 those present who included Ms. Anday, Dr. Andrews, Dr. Carroll, 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 Report:**

Dr. McFarland made a motion, Ms. Anday seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the following recommendations made by the Licensure Overview Committee.

- **L.A.L., RDH:** Reinstate license
- **M.M., DMD:** Terminate probation
- **J.A.N., DDS:** Reinstate license upon completion of 40 hours of continuing education hands-on refresher course
- **H.L.C., RDH:** Deny reinstatement of license pending completion of additional requirements
- **P.P.H., RDH:** Reinstate license upon completion of a 7-hour refresher Course

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**Ratify Licensee Candidates:** Dr. McFarland made a motion, Dr. Wolff seconded and the Board voted to **ratify** the following list of applications for licensure issued through October 8, 2003:

<b>License Number</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Licence Type</b>
DN012842	Habas, Brian Joseph	Dentist
DN012843	Coates, Paula L.	Dentist
DN012844	Griggs, Gerald A.	Dentist
DN012845	Redwine, Erin M.	Dentist
DN012846	Atkinson, Erik Scott	Dentist
DN012847	Shikh, Satpal K.	Dentist
DN012848	Mansouri, Michael S.	Dentist
DN012849	Tavakkoli, Kamran	Dentist
DN012850	Nam, Sangwoo	Dentist
DN012851	Rezaei-Amiri, Azita	Dentist
DN012852	Nguyen, Marina T.	Dentist
DH009081	McKewen, Judy Gale	Dental Hygienist
DH009082	Simons, Jill	Dental Hygienist
DH009083	Layne, Cassie C.	Dental Hygienist
DH009084	Garske, Kathleen M.	Dental Hygienist
DH009085	Tankersley, Kathy A.	Dental Hygienist
DH009086	Pippin, Sheri Lynn	Dental Hygienist
DH009087	Gine, Mary M.	Dental Hygienist
DH009088	McDaniel, Tracie L.	Dental Hygienist
DH009089	Brandenburg, Amanda L.	Dental Hygienist
DH009090	Fowler, Virginia L.	Dental Hygienist
DH009091	Patel, Bhavna K.	Dental Hygienist
DH009092	Hall, Katie M.	Dental Hygienist
DH009093	Patel, Tamanna D.	Dental Hygienist
DH009094	Stone, Kenisha	Dental Hygienist
DH009095	Patel, Purvi C.	Dental Hygienist
DH009096	Sanders, Shelli Ann	Dental Hygienist
DH009097	Steele, Jamyce	Dental Hygienist
DH009098	Harlan, Rebecca Ann	Dental Hygienist
	<b>Reinstatement Applications Issued</b>	
DN11961	Marsh, Richard	Dentist

**Applications/Licensure:**

**S.P., Dental Applicant:** Ms. Anday made a motion, Dr. McFarland seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the application for licensure.

**D.C.L., Dental Applicant:** Dr. Carroll made a motion, Dr. Wolff seconded and the Board voted to **require** the applicant to take a **40 hour pre-approved, hands-on program in prosthetics**. The Board will consider licensure once proof of completion of the required class is received.

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**U.P.O., Dental Applicant:** Dr. McFarland made a motion, Dr. Wolff seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the application for licensure.

**C.K.L., Dental Reinstatement Applicant:** Dr. Trager made a motion, Dr. Wolff seconded and the Board voted to **deny** reinstatement of license.

**S.G., DMD:** Dr. Wolff made a motion, Dr. Andrews seconded and the Board voted to **require** the applicant to **complete a 40 hour hands-on continuing education course in operative dentistry** before approving for licensure.

**Investigative Report:** Dr. McFarland made a motion, Dr. Andrews seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the investigative report.

<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	<b>CASE NUMBER</b>
CLOSE	37-01-02-00044
CLOSE	DENT 03-0205
CLOSE	DENT 04-0004
CLOSE	DENT 04-0010
CLOSE	DENT 04-0014
CLOSE	DENT 04-0019
CLOSE	DENT 04-0046
CLOSE	DENT 04-0052
CLOSE	DENT 04-0062
CLOSE	DENT 04-0078
CLOSE W/LOC	DENT 03-0148
CLOSE W/LOC	DENT 03-0196
CLOSE W/LOC	DENT 04-0044
LIFT PROBATION	37-01-94-0183
LIFT PROBATION	37-01-98-0023
REFER TO AG	37-01-02-00046
REFER TO AG	37-01-02-00147

**Attorney General's Report:** Dr. Wolff made a motion, Dr. Andrews seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the following recommendations regarding cases reported on by the Board Attorney.

- **R.S.M., DMD:** Accept Private Consent Order
- **M.G.L., DMD:** Accept Private Order terminating probation
- **Peter M. Darty, DDS:** Accept Public Order terminating probation
- **Curtis O. Hayslip, DMD:** Accept Public Order terminating probation

The next Board meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2003 at 9:00 A.M.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:12 P.M.

**Minutes recorded by:** Susan S. Hewett, Board Secretary

**Minutes edited by:** Anita O. Martin, Executive Director and  
Tachunta Thomas, Assistant Division Director of  
Healthcare Professions

**Board President:** Logan Nalley, D.M.D.

**Division Director:** Mollie Fleeman

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