Rules Committee Meeting		
The following Committee members were present:	Others Present:	
Dr. Becky Carlon Dr. Clyde Andrews Dr. Thomas Godfrey Dr. Barry Stacey	Mr. Reagan Dean, Board Attorney Ms. Anita Martin, Executive Director Ms. Elizabeth Appley Bs. Becky Bynum Dr. Clark Carroll Dr. Stephen Holcomb Dr. Elizabeth Lense Ms. Melana McClatchey Dr. Logan Nalley Ms. Carol Smith Ms. Susan Cremering Mr. Andre Thomas	

The Rules Committee meeting was called to order at 8:23 a.m.

Input was provided from all committee members, the Board Attorney and the public present at the rules committee meeting. The Board states it does not have the legal authority to post Board Rule 150-5-.03 Supervision of Dental Hygienists as currently drafted.

Revisions were made to the proposed Board Rule 150-5-.03.

Dr. Godfrey made a motion that the committee provide the amended rule for the Board's consideration to vote to post at the board meeting today. Dr. Carlon seconded the motion and the committee voted to provide the following rule for the Board's consideration and a vote to post at its meeting today.

150-5-.03 Supervision of Dental Hygienists.

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(2) Direct supervision as it pertains to procedures delegated to a dental hygienist shall mean that a dentist licensed in Georgia is in the dental office or treatment facility, personally diagnoses the condition to be treated, personally authorizes the procedures and remains in the dental office or

treatment facility while the procedures are being performed by the dental hygienist and, before dismissal of the patient, examines the patient.

(3) A dental hygienist shall perform his or her duties only under the direct supervision of a duly licensed dentist who is licensed to practice in the state of Georgia.

(a) The requirement of direct supervision shall not apply to the educational training of dental hygiene students at an institution approved by the Board and the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association (CODA ADA).

1. Dental hygiene programs shall follow the rules and standards as outlined in the CODA ADA standards.

(b) The requirement of direct supervision shall not apply to the performance of dental hygiene duties at approved dental facilities of the Department of Human Resources, Community Health, county boards of health, or the Department of Corrections.

1. In all instances of supervision of dental hygienists employed or under contract with approved dental facilities of the Department of Community Health, county boards of health, Department of Corrections, the dentist assumes responsibility for determining in the basis of diagnosis the specific treatment patients will receive and may only designate performance by dental hygienists of those treatments specifically identified in subsection (5)(a) through (g) of this rule. The application of fluoride varnish or fluoride rinse by a dental hygienist does not require an examination by a dentist.

2. Dental hygiene duties performed at approved dental facilities of the Department of Community Health, county boards of health, Department of Corrections shall be allowed under supervision. Supervision as it pertains to procedures delegated to a dental hygienist shall mean that the licensed dentist is not on the premises but has given written authorization for the treatment of the patient.

(c) The requirement of direct supervision shall not apply to the performance of dental hygienists providing dental screenings in settings which include schools, hospitals, and clinics and state, county, local, and federal public health programs. Other health fair settings must be pre-approved by the board.

(4) No dentist shall supervise more practicing dental hygienists than he or she can safely and reasonably supervise in order to ensure that the health, safety, and welfare of patients are protected.

(5) In addition to routine duties and the procedures of any of the operations or procedures Authorized in O.C.G.A. §43-11-74, the following activities may be performed by a dental Hygienist working under the direct supervision of a dentist:

(a) All the duties that are usually performed by a dental assistant pursuant to Title 43, Chapter 11, Article 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and Chapter 150-9 of the Rules of the Georgia Board of Dentistry, under the limitations and stipulations set forth in Title 43, Chapter 11, Article 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and Chapter 150-5 of the Rules of the

Georgia Board of Dentistry.

(b) Take and mount oral x-rays;

(c) Apply medications and/or solutions approved by the Board and prescribed by the dentist that can be applied by methods approved by the Board, be that by irrigation, tray, or insertion of bioresorbable materials;

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(e) Utilize techniques and materials necessary for the application of sealant(s) to pits of and fissures of teeth;

(f) Perform root planing and curettage with hand instruments; and

(g) Perform periodontal probing.

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The Rules Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

The following Board members were present:	Others Present:
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Dr. Clyde Andrews	Ms. Anita Martin, Executive Director
Dr. Richard Bennett, Jr.	Ms. Carol White, Board Support Specialist
Dr. Clark Carroll	Ms. Elizabeth Appley, GDHA
Dr. Isaac Hadley	Dr. Don Benton, GDA
Ms. Rebecca Bynum	Ms. Susan Knox Cremering, GRHH
Dr. Thomas Godfrey	Dr. Elizabeth Lense, Public Health
Dr. Stephan Holcomb	Ms. Melana McClatchey,GDA
Dr. Logan Nalley	Ms. Carol Smith, DCH
Ms. Elaine Richardson	Ms. Tina Titshaw, SDG
Dr. Barry Stacey	Ms. Pam Wilkes, GDS

Dr. Carlon established that a quorum was present and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m., was called to order at 10:20 a.m.

Dr. Carlon welcomed the visitors.

Open Session

Minutes from the April 22, 2010 Board meeting

• Dr. Hadley made a motion to approve as amended. Dr. Carroll seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Dental Hygiene Committee Report – Drs. Stephen Holcomb Becky Carlon and Ms. Becky Bynum

• Dr. Holcomb advised that Ms. Bynum will be observing an upcoming CRDTS examination.

Examination Report – Drs. Carroll, and Nalley.

- Dr. Nalley discussed with the Board Dental ERC and Dental Calibration met on April 29, 2011 through May 1, 2011. Dr. Nalley stated they completed the Mannequin and the CFE calibrations, and calibration on patient acceptability using new patient images.
- Dr. Holcomb advised that Dr. Bennett and Ms. Bynum will be observing an upcoming CRDTS examination.

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Rules Committee Report – Dr. Clyde Andrews.

Dr. Andrews stated the committee met this morning at 8:00 a.m. to discuss Board Rule 150-5-.03 – Supervision of Dental Hygienist. The committee recommended referring to the full board for a vote to post the following rule. Dr. Andrew made a motion to post, Dr. Holcomb seconded the motion and the Board voted to post as drafted. Dr. Andrews abstained from the vote.

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<u>Ratify Licenses Ratify Licenses</u> – Ms. Richardson made a motion to approve the ratified license		
list. Dr. Hadley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.		

	License	
Licensure Type	Number	Licensee Name
Dental Hygiene	DH-T000090	LeBreton, Sandra Nicole
Dental Hygiene	DH011189	Hughes, Holly Marie
Dental Hygiene	DH011190	Hardesty, Kimberlee Ann Gourley
Dental Hygiene	DH011191	Jones, Erika Findlay

Dental Hygiene	DH011192	Horton, Latisha Faye
Dental Hygiene	DH011193	Rueggeberg, Jessica Erin
Dental Hygiene	DH011194	Davis, Tina Rochelle
Dentistry	DN014230	Raymond, Richard Louis
Dentistry	DN014231	Williamson, Anjali Lunia
Dentistry	DN014232	Buckle, Eileen Matilda
Dentistry	DN014233	Mian, Alia A
Dentistry	DN014234	Waksor, Adam Tilahun
Dentistry	DN014235	Karapetian, Christine
Dentistry	DN014236	Lekht, Svetlana
Dentistry	DN014237	Echols, Justin Tellis
Dentistry	DN014238	Lala, Shilpa
Dentistry	DN014239	Kandalkar, Swati Mahendra
Conscious Sedation	DNCS000308	Barden, Page P
Conscious Sedation	DNCS000309	Barden, Page P
Conscious Sedation	DNCS000310	Mazzawi, John Mark
Enteral Inhalation	DNES000278	Howard, Jaha Ven Jari
Enteral Inhalation	DNES000279	Uetsuki, John Takayuki
General Anesthesia	DNGA000273	Huynh, Cang Trung
General Anesthesia	DNGA000274	Robles-Velez, Jennibeth

Rule Waiver Request from Sandeep Pathak, DMD, MD re: Board Rule 150-7-.04(6).

Dr. Carroll made a motion to approve the rule waiver request. Dr. Nalley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Correspondence from Sherry Wiggins, DH.

The Board viewed as informational.

Rule Waiver request from Jeffrey Alan Goldberg, DMD, re: Board Rule 150-3-.01.

Dr. Nalley made a motion to deny the rule waiver request. The Board only accepts the CRDTS examination for licensure. Dr. Holcomb seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rule Waiver Request from Christina A. Van Dam re: Board Rule 150-3-.01.

Dr. Nalley made a motion to deny the rule waiver request. The Board only accepts the CRDTS examination for licensure. Dr. Carroll seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

<u>General</u> – Dr. Rebecca Carlon

Dr. Stacey provided the Board with a statement on the scope of dental practice and the utilization of Botox and Derma-fillers. Dr. Holcomb made a motion to adopt the statement. Dr. Godfrey seconded the motion to adopt the position statement as follows:

The definition of "Dentistry" in O.C.G.A. 43-11-1.(6) states that a dentist can perform procedures for "....diseases, disorders, or conditions, or any combination thereof, of the oral cavity, maxillofacial area, or the adjacent and associated structures, or any combination thereof, and their impact on the human body provided by a dentist, within the scope of his or her education, training, and experience,". The scope of dentistry in the state of Georgia routinely includes the performance of both cosmetic and therapeutic procedures on both the hard and soft tissues of the head and neck area by licensed dentists, and is clearly considered within the standard practice of dentistry and is routinely taught in accredited dental schools, postgraduate general dentistry and dental specialty programs, and continuing education seminars.

In O.C.G.A. 43-11-17.(a)(1) the term "dental operation" is used. The term has previously been interpreted to mean "pertaining to a tooth or teeth". However, dentists practicing under their Georgia dental license routinely perform dental operations that may not involve teeth but do involve the oral cavity, maxillofacial area, or the adjacent and associated structures. "Dental operation" should correctly be interpreted to mean an "operation performed by a dentist" within the scope of his or her education, training, and experience.

It is the opinion of the members of the Georgia Board of Dentistry that the injection of Botox and dermal fillers to treat "conditions" in the head and neck area for cosmetic and/or therapeutic purposes is clearly within the scope of dentistry as defined in O.C.G.A 43-11-1. and 43-11-17. when performed by a dentist who can demonstrate the necessary education, training, and experience.

Executive Director's Open Session - Ms. Anita Martin

• Ms. Martin advised the Board that the application processing is current and should remain at thirty (30) working days during this major application and licensing period.

Attorney General's Open Session – Mr. Reagan Dean

- Mr. Dean provided the Board with a draft response to frank R. Recker, Esq. concerning Georgia's advertising regulations. Dr. Stacey made a motion to approve the letter Mr. Dean has drafted. Dr. Carroll seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Mr. Dean provided to the Board advice that notifications to local licensing jurisdictions is allowed under §O.C.G.A. 36-60-6(a). The Board decided that it would mail the letter to jurisdictions when a Cease and Desist is accepted, provide a hard copy of the Cease and Desist and specifically cite the business and individual involved in the matter.

• Mr. Dean reported on the on-going litigation between the FTC and the NC Board of Dentistry concerning teeth whitening. When a ruling is issued, Mr. Dean will report further to the Board.

11:00 Hearing

Dr. Carlon called the Hearing to order at 11:18 a.m. on Dr. William Keith Woods. Dr. Woods was not present at the Hearing.

Dr. Nalley made a motion for the Board to go into Executive session at 11:55 a.m, Dr. Hadley seconded and the motion carried.

Dr. Carlon declared the Board back into Open Session.

Dr. Holcomb made a motion for Revocation of Dr. Williams Keith Woods' license; Dr. Godfrey seconded and the Board voted unanimously.

The Hearing was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Executive Session

Dr. Holcomb made a motion, Dr. Nalley 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 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 Drs. Andrews, Bennett, Carroll, Godfrey, Hadley, Stacey, Ms. Richardson, and Ms. Bynum. The Board concluded the **Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and continue with the public session.

Applications/Licensure

R.R. – Reinstatement Dental Hygiene Application – The Board recommends requiring the refresher course.

Licensure Overview Committee –Dr. Isaac Hadley

J.J.H. – The Board recommends filing a Notice of Hearing for Revocation.

D.F. – The Board recommends staff contact to see if there are any pending issues on Dr. R. with the South Carolina Board. If there are, take matter back to the LOC. If there are no issues - approve.

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- A.R. The Board recommends referral to the Attorney General's office for an Impairment Consent Order.
- D.C. The Board recommends approval.

S.H. –The Board recommends approval upon completion of a refresher course and receipt of CE taken within the last two (2) renewal periods.

D.B. –The Board recommends referral to the Attorney General's office for a Standard Impairment Consent Order.

D.P.N. –The Board recommends approving the request to lift suspension but conditions of Consent Order remain.

N.L. – The Board recommends approval.

H.K. –The Board recommends approval.

M.J. –The Board recommends approval upon completion of refresher course and completion of the law examination.

J.E.C. – The Board recommends approving lifting the surgical practice restriction; all other conditions of the consent order remain in place.

D.F. – The Board recommends approval.

Investigative Committee Report – Dr. Logan Nalley, Jr.

• Approved

Attorney General's Report - Mr. Reagan Dean

- Mr. Dean provided to the Board for acceptance Consent Orders on Dr. Scott Wade Smith and Dr. Sunday Fawole.
- Mr. Dean provided to the Board for acceptance exam scores from Dr. Karen Cooper from December 2010.

Miscellaneous -

• Dr. Holcomb discussed the possible bias of a CRDTS examiner. The CRDTS EEAC reviewed the letter and was advised that the Board wished the examiner to be appropriately counseled and be allowed to continue examining in Georgia. This specific examiner is participating in an upcoming Georgia examination. If Board members or others observe the bias continuing; it needs to be reported to the Board.

- The Board further discussed the Florida examination issue.
- The June Board meeting will be a conference call. The LOC committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. and the Board conference call meeting will begin at 12:00 p.m.

Open Session

Dr. Hadley made a motion to accept the Attorney General's report. Ms. Richardson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Godfrey made a motion to accept the recommendations for the applications, Investigative Committee Report and the License Overview Committee Report. Dr. Holcomb seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Board meeting adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Minutes reviewed and edited by: Carol White, Board Support Specialist Anita O. Martin, Executive Director