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DELAWARE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

SEPTEMBER 22, 2005 MEETING

AS APPROVED October 13, 2005

The Delaware Board of Dental Examiners held a meeting on Thursday, September 22, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in Conference Room A, second floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

Members present: Thomas W. Mercer, DMD, Professional Member, President
Robert P. Marier, DDS, Professional Member, Secretary
Kimberly A. Hickman-Bowen, RDH, MA, Professional Member
Robert R. Hoopes, DDS, Professional Member
John M. Kirby, Public Member
Wanda G. Smith, DDS, Professional Member
David S. Williams, DMD, Professional Member
Fay S. Rust, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member
Debora Mause, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member
William H. Daisey, Public Member
Laura Leary, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member

Absent: Angela Beranek, Public Member

Also Present: James Collins, Director, Division of Professional Regulations
Melissa Wheatley, Administrative Specialist II
Dr. Lawrence Giordano, DDS, Anesthesia Committee
Dr. Ray Petrunich, DDS, Anesthesia Committee

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Mercer called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Hickman-Bowen, seconded by Mr. Kirby, to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2005 meeting as corrected. The motion was passed unanimously.

JANUARY 2006 DATES FOR THE DENTAL AND DENTAL HYGIENE EXAMINATIONS

The Board requested that the Dental Board Examination be scheduled for January 5 and 6, 2005. The requested date for the Dental Hygiene Board Examination is January 6, 2006. Both examinations will be held at the Dental Clinic at Delaware Technical & Community College in Wilmington.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE CREDENTIALING COMMITTEE

The board accepted the recommendation of the Credentialing Committee to grant licensure to Douglas Ditty, DMD, Peter Patellis, DMD, Christopher Fortin, DMD, Jeffrey Cooper, DMD, Gregory Dearing, DMD, Robert Christy, DMD, Trevor Scheff, DMD, Parham Farhi, DMD, Veena Reedy, DMD, Marissa Schnelle, DDS, Navid Asgari, DMD and Mark Wiczorek, DMD as dentists.

The board accepted the recommendation of the Credentialing Committee to grant licensure to Elizabeth Allen, RDH, Ashley Brown, RDH, Wendy Droter, RDH, Tanya Hutchinson, RDH, Donnalee McGhee, RDH, Lindsey Nichols, RDH, Ellyn O'Connell, RDH, Amy Toulson, RDH, Kristen Temple, RDH, Pamela Parent, RDH, Kara McIntyre, RDH, Adrienne Salvatore, RDH, Angela Simpson, RDH, Kelly Reynolds, RDH, Daisy Scarborough, RDH, Kimberly Bonavita, RDH, Lindsay White, RDH, Elizabeth Rucinski, RDH, Lisa Papaleo, RDH, Lauren Gliniak, RDH, Jacqueline Lloyd, RDH and Kristen Taub, RDH as dental hygienists

CLOSED INVESTIGATIONS

- Complaint #09-08-05 – Dr. Williams – Concurred
- Complaint #09-09-05 – Dr. Marier – Concurred

RECOMMENDATION FROM THE ANESTHESIA ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO GRANT RESTRICTED ANESTHESIA PERMIT II LICENSURE TO TAURANCE BISHOP, DDS, JAY HARRIS, DMD AND KEITH NGUYEN, DMD

Dr. Mercer reported that the Anesthesia Committee made a recommendation to approve Dr. Taurance Bishop, Dr. Jay Harris and Dr. Keith Nguyen a Restricted Anesthesia II Permits. Dr. Hoopes made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daisey, to accept the recommendation of the Anesthesia Advisory Committee. The motion was passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF APPLICATION FOR DENTAL HYGIENE LICENSURE BY RECIPROCITY –

Ms. Hickman-Bowen motioned, seconded by Ms. Mause, to accept Teresa Erb for dental hygiene licensure by reciprocity, contingent upon her successful passing of the Delaware Dental Jurisprudence exam. The motion was passed unanimously.

Ms. Hickman-Bowen motioned, seconded by Ms. Rust, to accept Valerie A. Tillman for dental hygiene licensure by reciprocity, contingent upon her successful passing of the Delaware Dental Jurisprudence exam. The motion was passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM CHRISTINA M. HARRIS, RDH ON LATE LICENSURE RENEWAL

The Board reviewed and discussed the request from Christina M. Harris, RDH to consider the lapsed period of her license as inactive and allow her to late renew her dental hygiene license. The Board determined that the request could not be honored because the Board did not have inactive as a license status option and the Board does not have provision that allows for late renewal. Ms. Harris will need to apply for licensure by reciprocity if she has a valid license in another jurisdiction or by examination if she does not.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ADA REGARDING CPR CERTIFICATION

The Board reviewed correspondence from the ADA alerting the Board aware of several CPR courses are being offered online, without hands-on skills validation. Dr. Williams noted that upon review of the statute and rules & regulations, the only area where specific CPR certification courses are listed is in the Anesthesia Regulations. The Anesthesia Regulations require American Heart Association or American Red Cross certification. Dr. Giordano suggested the Board apply this standard to all licensees. Dr. Mercer questioned whether a regulation change is sufficient to accomplish this or does it require a statute change. The Board tabled discussion of this topic until they can further discuss this with the Deputy Attorney General.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE ANESTHESIA COMMITTEE REGARDING ANESTHESIA REGULATIONS

Dr. Giordano introduced Dr. Petrunich as his successor as chairperson of the Anesthesia Committee. The Board reviewed documentation provided by Dr. Giordano regarding inspection and continuing education rules adopted by the American Association of Oral Maxillofacial Surgeons. Ms. Hickman-Bowen made a motion, seconded by Dr. Williams, to require six-year inspections for permit locations. Dr. Marier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Williams, to accept the suggestion of the Anesthesia Committee to require 12 hours of continuing education for Unrestricted Permit holders and 6 hours of continuing education for Restricted I permit holders.

Both motions were passed unanimously. The Board will seek advice from the Deputy Attorney General as to what is needed to include these requirements into practice.

DENTIST PRESCRIPTION REQUIREMENTS

Dr. Mercer discussed the requirement that all dental prescriptions must state "Brand Name Drug Required" on the prescription pad if the dentist wants a specific drug dispensed. Mr. Collins stated that it is important the prescription pad is in the correct format. Ms. Wheatley will forward a copy of the required format to all members of the board.

NOMINATION OF BOARD OFFICERS

Dr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daisey, to nominate Dr. Smith for Board Secretary. Dr. Marier made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daisey to close nominations. The motion was passed unanimously.

Dr. Hoopes made a motion, seconded by Dr. Williams to nominate Dr. Marier for Board President. Dr. Williams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Daisey, to close nominations. The motion was passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM VICTORIA TSIMBERG

The Board reviewed correspondence from Victoria Tsimberg requesting consideration of her education and internship in lieu of general practice residency, as qualification for the Dental Examination. Dr. Williams made a motion, tabled by Mr. Daisey, to table this discussion until the Board received documentation from Ms. Tsimberg's college on their intern program. The motion was passed unanimously.

SCHEDULED NEXT MEETING

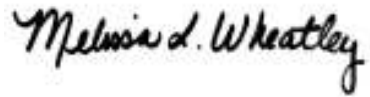
The Board will hold their next meeting on Thursday, October 13, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the second floor conference room A of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Ms. Hickman-Bowen, seconded by Mr. Kirby, to adjourn. The motion was passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Melissa L. Wheatley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'M' and a long, sweeping underline.

Melissa L. Wheatley, Administrative Specialist II
Delaware Board of Dental Examiners