

.MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF DENTISTRY

April 1, 2022

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Dentistry was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Dean Cope, DDS, Chairperson, in the Husker Room at the Hampton Inn & Suites, located at 7343 Husker Circle, Lincoln, Nebraska, 68504. The Agenda and Revised Agenda (revised more than 24 hours prior to the commencement of the meeting and posted/available for public inspection at the Board's office more than 24 hours prior to the meeting) were sent to the Board members and other interested parties prior to the meeting. The following members answered the roll call:

Dean Cope, DDS - Chairperson
Melanie Steckelberg, DDS, Vice-Chairperson
Michael J. O'Hara, JD, PhD – Secretary (via WebEx)
Yoshiharu Ameku, DDS
Lisa Kucera, RDH
Terrence Lanphier, DDS
Hannah Randell, RDH
Gene Giles, DDS
John Thomas, DMD
Lynlee Medhi

Also present were: Jesse Cushman, Program Manager; Vonda Apking, Health Licensing Coordinator; Lisa Anderson, Assistant Attorney General; Teresa Hampton, Department Attorney (via WebEx); and Jeff Newman, Investigator.

Cope announced that there is a copy of all the public documents being reviewed at this meeting available in the meeting room pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Kucera moved, seconded by Ameku, to adopt the Agenda with the ability for the Chairperson to rearrange as necessary. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Kucera, Lanphier, Medhi, O'Hara, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 7, 2022

Page 1: No changes.

Page 2: No changes

Page 3: Under EXPANDED SCOPE FUNCTION(S) COURE RE-APPROVAL PROCESS, line 1, after the word "syllabus" insert a comma and the following words "total number of course hours including lab and didactic,'.

Page 4: Under ELECTION OF OFFICERS, paragraph one, line 3, delete the word "was", and in paragraph 3, line 2 change the word "there" to "their".

Kucera moved, seconded by Lanphier, to approve the January 7, 2022 minutes as corrected. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Kucera, Lanphier, Medhi, O'Hara, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

CRDTS PRESENTATION ON TYPODONT TEETH

Dr. Sam Jacoby, President, and Dr. Mark Edwards, Director of Dental Examinations for CRDTS presented information regarding CRDTS uses of typodont teeth as part of their clinical examination. Dr. Jacoby explained that CRDTS has not had a patient-based examination since COVID started. He explained that he was not a proponent of manikin examinations but has seen some benefits to the simulated examinations and reminds everyone that both endodontics and fixed prosthodontic examinations have always used typodont teeth. There have been losses when using typodonts during examinations such as the periodontal head and neck evaluation which was replaced with an Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) on a tablet onsite at no charge and in restorative, the dental diagnosis and treatment planning there is a written examination at no cost. This examination includes at least 4-6 cases which includes dental health history, x-rays and/or CTs (if applicable) and providing a diagnosis and developing a treatment plan for endodontics and evaluates the candidate's ability to diagnose and treatment plan these cases correctly. The typodont teeth developed by CRDTS have enamel, dentin and decay that looks and feels the same as natural teeth. Taking a CRDTS simulated examination allows all candidates to be on a level playing field in a controlled environment since the CRDTS typodont teeth have standardized areas of decay and no modification requests are required. The candidates must use their own diagnostic and technical skill to prepare the teeth without the guidance of modification requests. The dental and dental hygiene periodontal examination is the same however the scaling points grading weight may change. CRDTS uses Brett Foley, PhD, Psychometrician from Alpine Testing Solutions. All examiners are calibrated at the exam site. CRDTS examination criteria are currently being used for remediation and can be customized per individual needs. CRDTS is also exploring virtual haptic technology which can be used to train and remediate students and deficient licensees. The CRDTS office in Topeka, Kansas is building an eight-chair simulated clinic which will be available by June 2022 for remediation and testing. Decatur, Alabama and Hastings, Nebraska hygiene programs have simulation clinics for their students. CRDTS has contracted with these schools to use their clinics as independent test sites. These simulation clinics could also be used for hands on continuing education. The Board thanked Dr. Jacoby and Dr. Edwards for the information they provided.

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Lynlee Medhi and Lisa Anderson introduced themselves to the Board members.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS AND APPLICATION REVIEW – CLOSED SESSION

Thomas moved, seconded by Ameku, to go into closed session at 10:15 a.m. for the purpose of review and discussion of investigative reports, licensure applications, and other confidential

information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Kucera, Lanphier, Medhi, O'Hara, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Kucera recused herself from the meeting at 11:19 a.m.
Kucera returned to the meeting at 11:31 a.m.
The Board returned to Open Session at 11:31 a.m.

LICENSURE APPLICATION(S)

Dental Application(s)

Steckelberg moved, seconded by Giles, to deny the dental licensure application of Meena Goel. Basis for the denial is misrepresentation of material facts in procuring a credential. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Kucera, Medhi, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Abstain: O'Hara. Absent: Lanphier. Motion carried.

Dental Hygiene Application(s)

Thomas moved, seconded by Giles, to recommend issuing a dental hygiene license to Rebecca Mahoney on probation for one year and it would include the probationary condition to abstain from alcohol. Basis of the probationary license is a recent alcohol related misdemeanor conviction. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Lanphier, Medhi, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Kucera, O'Hara. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Lanphier moved, seconded by Ameku, to recommend issuing a dental hygiene license to Kaylie Verdin Baldenergo on probation for one year. Basis of the probationary license is a recent alcohol related misdemeanor conviction and a recent diagnosis of alcohol abuse, mild. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Lanphier, Medhi, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Kucera, O'Hara. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Dental Assistant Application(s)

Kucera moved, seconded by Thomas, to recommend issuing a dental assistant license to Nicole Thomas. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Kucera, Lanphier, Medhi, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Abstain: O'Hara. Absent: None. Motion carried.

E-MAIL BALLOTS SINCE THE LAST MINUTES

Nothing to read into the record at this time.

APPROVAL OF EXPANDED FUNCTION COURSE(S)

Steckelberg moved, seconded by Randell, to approve the University of Minnesota's Expanded Functions: A Hands-on Training Course Program for Restorative I & II. This course is also approved for Cementing Prefab Fixed Prosthesis on Primary Teeth for Licensed Dental Assistants. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Kucera, Lanphier, Medhi, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Abstain: O'Hara. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Steckelberg moved, seconded by Thomas, to approve the University of Colorado's Expanded Function Dental Assistant (FEFDA) Level One Expanded Restorative Skills and EFDA Level Two: Advanced Restorative Skills for Dental Auxiliaries Courses to be eligible for both Restorative I & II. Both courses must be taken to be eligible for Nebraska's Restorative I and II permits. These courses are not eligible to be stand-alone courses. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Kucera, Lanphier, Medhi, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Abstain: O'Hara. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Steckelberg moved, seconded by Ameku, to approve the Case Western University's EFDA Program Restorative I & II course. Voting aye: Ameku, Cope, Giles, Kucera, Lanphier, Medhi, Randell, Steckelberg, Thomas. Voting nay: None. Abstain: O'Hara. Absent: None. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF EXPANDED SCOPE FUNCTION COURSE(S)

Nothing to discuss at this time.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Nothing to discuss at this time.

REGULATIONS UPDATE

Mr. Cushman explained that Chapters 53, 56, 57, and 58 are waiting to be scheduled for a second hearing.

CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR CURRENT RENEWAL PERIOD

Webinars that are interactive with the presenter are considered live continuing education and will be counted as such.

CDCA/WREB

Observation Report from Randell

Randall explained that the examination is a good examination overall. They use a different method of calibrating their examiners.

Website Criteria Concerns

Nothing discussed at this time.

Presentation on Update to Simulated Patient Examinations

Dr. Guy Champine presented information regarding the Simulated Patient clinical examinations by CDCA/WREB. CDCA/WREB administers a national uniform initial licensure examination with universal portability which increases fairness, uniform preparation, students do not have to worry about what examination to take, and schools will have an easier time hosting an

examination. Additional assessments are available to State Boards such as Restorative including for EFDAs and Dental Hygienists, Dental Therapy, Local Anesthesia (both didactic and/or clinical), Nitrous Oxide, Sedation, jurisprudence, and customized assessments based on State dental board's needs. CDCA/WREB uses CompeDont simulated teeth for their clinical Simulated Patient dental examinations and SimProDH for their Simulated Patient clinical dental hygiene examinations. Information was presented on exam performance and portability. The Board thanked Dr. Shampaine for the information provided.

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DISCUSSION ON COVID-19 ISSUES

Nothing to discuss at this time.

Next meeting is scheduled for July 22, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

(signature on file with the Department)

Michael J. O'Hara, JD, PhD, Secretary
Board of Dentistry