

CONFERENCE CALL MEETING MINUTES
OF THE
BOARD OF DENTISTRY

March 13, 2019

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Dentistry was called to order at 11:32 a.m. by Dennis Anderson, DDS, Chairperson, in Conference Room LU#1, Nebraska State Office Building, located at 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. The Agenda was sent to the Board members and other interested parties prior to the meeting. The following members answered the roll call:

Dennis Anderson, DDS, Chairperson (via telephone)
Cynthia Gaskill, RDH, Secretary (via telephone)
Yoshiharu Ameku, DDS (via telephone)
Charles Bauer, DDS (via telephone)
Dean Cope, DDS (via telephone)
John Thomas, DMD (via telephone)

Absent: Lisa Kucera, RDH, Vice-Chairperson
Mary Sneckenberg
David Blaha, DDS
Gregory Thomas, JD

Also present were: Jesse Cushman, Program Manager; and Vonda Apking, Health Licensing Coordinator.

Anderson 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

Cope moved, seconded by Bauer to adopt the Agenda with the ability for the Chairperson to rearrange as necessary. Voting aye: Ameku, Anderson, Bauer, Cope, Gaskill, J. Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: Kucera, Sneckenberg, Blaha, G. Thomas. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF COURSE(S) FOR THE EXPANDED SCOPE FUNCTIONS

The Board members suggested that asking Iowa Western Community College Dental Hygiene program how many administrations of nitrous oxide dental hygiene students are require to administer during their nitrous oxide course. The Board will then review again before making their recommendation.

Cope moved, seconded by Ameku, to approve the redesigned Central Community College Dental Hygiene programs expanded scope functions course that includes Interim Therapeutic Restorations, Writing Prescriptions for Mouth Rinses and Fluoride Products, Monitoring, Administration and Titrating Nitrous Oxide, and Making Minor Denture Adjustments. Voting aye: Ameku, Anderson, Bauer, Cope, Gaskill, J. Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: Kucera, Sneckenberg, Blaha, G. Thomas. Motion carried.

The Board recommended tabling the request to approve Concorde Career College Dental Hygiene programs expanded scope functions course.

Staff will bring a list of approved expanded scope function courses to the April Board meeting.

REVIEW DRAFT REGULATIONS AND APPROVAL

172 NAC 54

The Board recommended tabling 172 ANC 54 for research on what other states have for advertising. Ameku moved, seconded by Gaskill, to recommend tabling 172 NAC 54 for research into what other states require for dental advertising. Voting aye: Ameku, Anderson, Bauer, Cope, Gaskill, J. Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: Kucera, Sneckenberg, Blaha, G. Thomas. Motion carried.

172 NAC 55

The Board recommended adding language about infection control and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines for dental offices. Cope moved, seconded by J. Thomas, to approve 172 NAC 55 with the recommended suggest of adding language about infection control and the CDC guidelines for dental offices. Voting aye: Ameku, Anderson, Bauer, Cope, Gaskill, J. Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: Kucera, Sneckenberg, Blaha, G. Thomas. Motion carried.

Teresa Hampton, DHHS Attorney, joined the meeting at 11:56 a.m.

172 NAC 58

Cushman mentioned that the Board needs to identify what score is needed or the method of scoring for each examination that is required for licensure. The Board discussed some typographical errors. J. Thomas moved, seconded by Gaskill, to approve 172 NAC 58 with suggested changes. Voting aye: Ameku, Anderson, Bauer, Cope, Gaskill, J. Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: Kucera, Sneckenberg, Blaha, G. Thomas. Motion carried.

172 NAC 56

The Board suggested making definitions regarding the classifications similar across Chapters 53, 56, and 57; adding the American Dental Associations (ADA) Code of Ethics to unprofessional conduct, add language to unprofessional conduct for failing to check the expanded function work of either a dental assistant or dental hygienist. The Board discussed making the language used in the unprofessional conduct section similar across Chapters 53, 56, and 57. Gaskill moved, seconded by J. Thomas, to approve 172 NAC 56 with all suggested changes. Voting aye: Ameku, Anderson, Bauer, Cope, Gaskill, J. Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: Kucera, Sneckenberg, Blaha, G. Thomas. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Ameku moved, seconded by J. Thomas, to adjourn the meeting at 1:13 p.m. Voting aye: Ameku, Anderson, Bauer, Cope, Gaskill, J. Thomas. Voting nay: None. Absent: Kucera, Sneckenberg, Blaha, G. Thomas. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

(signature on file with the Department)

Cynthia Gaskill, RDH, Secretary
Board of Dentistry