



Board of Dental Examiners Public Meeting

Dental Examiners Board

Monday, October 7, 2024 at 8:30 AM EDT to Monday, October 7, 2024 at 2:00 PM EDT

Attendance: Puneet Kochhar, DMD – President (PK), Virginia Kapetanakis Moore, RDH – Vice President (VM) Mark D. Abel, DMD, MD (MA), H.J. Ludington, DDS, MsD (HL), Daniel H. De Tolla, DDS, MD (DD), Roger Achong, DMD, MS (RA), Jay Patel, DMD (JP).

Absent: Linda Tatarczuch, MSW (LT) & Angela Boyle RDH (AB).

JP left at 2:25PM

HL left at 2:50PM

Staff: Carson Hansford – Board Administrator, Elizabeth Eaton, Esq. – Board Counsel.

The Board took breaks from 10:50AM to 11:03AM & 12:37 PM to 1:05PM

Minutes:

I. Call to Order

VM called the meeting to order at 8:32 am

II. Approval of Public Minutes

Motion: Upon a motion by HL and a second by MA the Board voted to approve the minutes as presented; unanimous.

III. Heather Kelley to Speak About iPad Program- 9:00AM

Heather talked about the iPad program the need for the office to have the iPad program. The Board agreed they would try it out, expressing the need for a keyboard with the iPad.

IV. Bethany Cottrell to Speak About PLC 400's - 9:00AM

Bethany talked about the PLC 400's and the move for the inspections to be under licensing rather than enforcement.

V. Rules Review with Tina Kelley- 9:30 AM

A. DEN 100

1. Final Proposal

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by HL the Board voted to accept as presented; unanimous.

B. Den 500

1. Final Proposal

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by JP the Board voted to accept as presented; unanimous.

C. DEN 304

1. Final Proposal

The Board worked with Tina on the rules and will vote to file the final proposal at an upcoming meeting.

2. Public Comment with Board Responses

3. Applications Related to DEN 304

D. DEN 400 Various

1. Initial Proposal

The Board would like this to be put back on the agenda for November, no votes were taken.

E. Rules Tracker

Board Noted.

VI. Required Reporting

A. Public Health Reporting

1. Children's Dental Network Salem

Motion: Upon a motion by HL and a second by MA the Board voted to accept; unanimous.

2. Merrimack County Nursing Home

Motion: Upon a motion by HL and a second by MA the Board voted to accept; unanimous.

B. Student Reporting

1. Farrah Ross & Nicholas Hoehn

Motion: Upon a motion by MA and a second by HL the Board voted to accept; unanimous.

C. Anesthetists Performing in Dental Offices

Motion: Upon a motion by HL and a second by DD the Board voted to accept; unanimous.

VII. Legislative Topics

A. Legislative Update - Board Counsel, Elizabeth Eaton

1. Hygiene Anesthesia Permit RSA Change

Board Counsel talked about the progress of this legislation.

2. DMD or DDS for Dentist Licensure RSA Change

Board Counsel talked about the progress of this legislation.

3. HB 1095

Clean up bill for the office which failed to be attached to HB 2 (2022).

4. SB 369

Makes changes to OPLC processes 7-day agenda postings, 14-day notification of meetings.

5. HB 518

Changes to the hearings process.

VIII. OPLC and/or Board Administration Update

A. CRDT CARE Program

Motion: Upon a motion by HL and a second by DD the Board voted to recommend that they come in and present to the Board; unanimous.

IX. Licensure

A. Active Licenses 8.30.24 through 09.27.24

Informational No Action Needed

Board Noted.

X. Committee Reports

A. ASEC

The next ASEC will be in two weeks, the third Tuesday of the month.

B. Hygiene

Nothing to report and the Board did not assign anything for the committee to look at.

XI. Non-Public Session(s)

1st Non-Public Session:

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by JP the Board voted to enter into non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3 II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges via roll call *Roll Call: 7-0-0*

2nd Non-Public Session:

Motion: Upon a motion by JP and a second by PK the Board voted to enter into non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3 II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges via roll call *Roll Call: 7-0-0*

3rd Non-Public Session:

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by RA the Board voted to enter into non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3 II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges via roll call *Roll Call: 7-0-0*

XII. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

1st Non-Public Session:

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by HL the Board voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective. via roll call vote: *Roll Call: 7-0-0*

2nd Non-Public Session:

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by JP the Board voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective. via roll call vote: *Roll Call: 7-0-0*

3rd Non-Public Session:

Motion: Upon a motion by PK and a second by MA the Board voted to seal the minutes of the non-public session to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective. via roll call vote: *Roll Call: 5-0-0*

XIII. Adjourn Meeting -

The Board Adjourned at 3:59PM