

BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS
RULES COMMITTEE

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS").

- Date: Monday, March 21, 2016
- Time: Immediately Following Board of Dental Examiners Meeting
- Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
- Present: Candace Wada, D.D.S., Applications Committee Chair, Acting Rules Committee Chair
Garrett Ota, D.D.S., Dental Member
Earl Hasegawa, D.M.D., Dental Member
Mark Chun, D.M.D., Dental Member
Janet Primiano, R.D.H., Dental Hygiene Member
Rodney Ching, Public Member
James Kobashigawa, Executive Officer
Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer
Daniel Jacob, Deputy Attorney General
Lisa Kalani, Secretary
- Excused: Paul Guevara, D.M.D., M.D.S., Rules Committee Chair,
- Guests: Diane Brucato, RDH, EF, BS, FAADH, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association ("HDHA")
Loren Leibling, Hawaii Dental Association ("HDA")
Sheila Kitamura, Kapiolani Community College
Gerraine Hignite, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association ("HDHA")
- Call to Order: Acting Rules Committee Chair Wada called the meeting to order at 10:27 a.m.

Discussion on Possible Amendments to Chapter 79, Hawaii Administrative Rules (“HAR”)

- a. Continuing education credits for dentists who train student dental assistants and hygienists

The Committee reviewed the Final Practicum Evaluation of Student from the Kapiolani Community College, Dental Assisting Program, and a copy of the power point presentation of Module Two: Relationship-centered learning: Effective/therapeutic communication, also from the Practicum Evaluation of Student from the Kapiolani Community College, Dental Assisting Program.

Ms. Kitamura stated this is a proposal similar to what Mr. Leibling had proposed, by awarding CE credits to dentist who participate in training dental assistants and dental hygienists. She wanted to propose a cap of eight (8) CE’s per biennium. In addition, still in development, is a two (2) credit online training course for the dentist who participates as a clinical instructor. The plan is also to broaden it so they can award CE’s to the dentists who train dental assistants for their Certified Dental Assistant’s (“CDA”) requirement. There are some CDA’s in the community, and although they are not recognized by the state, they are still required to do CE’s to maintain their certification. It is not an easy task, the dentist has to thoughtfully not only train the assistant but complete the evaluation at the end of the training period. Because of the CODA standards, the students have to complete three hundred (300) hours of clinical externship training, and they primarily do those hours at general dentist practice offices. Ms. Kitamura stated if this proposal is something the Committee would consider, she would like for this to be for CODA accredited programs only and not proprietary schools.

Mr. Ching asked if these dentists are paid to train?

Ms. Kitamura replied no, these are completely voluntary. They do it because they really care about educating dental assistants.

Mr. Kobashigawa asked if this is only externship training, no didactic?

Ms. Kitamura replied yes only externship, no didactic.

It was moved by Dr. Chun, seconded by Dr. Ota and unanimously carried to recommend granting a maximum of eight (8) CE hours to dentists who train student dental assistants and dental hygienists.

Ms. Matsushima stated she wants to point out that this is a little different than what Mr. Leibling had proposed.

Mr. Leibling stated yes, HDA is proposing a cap of eight (8) credits hours per biennium with each class taught earning two (2) credits. This would apply to live lectures, workshops, live webinars and hands-on presentations.

Acting Rules Committee Chair Wada called for a motion regarding the HDA proposal.

It was moved by Dr. Hasegawa, seconded by Dr. Ota and unanimously carried to recommend a cap of eight (8) credits hours per biennium to providers with each class taught earning two (2) credits. This would apply to live lectures, workshops, live webinars and hands-on presentations.

Ms. Brucato asked if that could also be extended to dental hygienist who lecture?

Ms. Matsushima replied yes, it would be based on the approved sponsor.

Mr. Jacob clarified, the Committee is recommending a cap of eight (8) CE hours for the dentist and dental hygienist to be applied equally.

Acting Rules Committee Chair Wada replied yes.

After further discussion the Committee asked if Mr. Leibling and Ms. Kitamura could draft the proposed language in the rules, and the Committee can review the proposed language at its next meeting.

Mr. Leibling and Ms. Kitamura both stated they will work together to

propose the language in the rules for the Committee's consideration.

Dr. Ota stated he would like to ask at this time to propose adding Veteran's Administration Healthcare System as an approved sponsor for CE's?

Ms. Matsushima stated that the Committee can propose Dr. Ota's recommendation to the Board as well as consider military training.

Ms. Primiano stated when she was reviewing CE courses, she came across licensees who completed inter-active courses on the computer. Could the Board consider accepting those courses?

Ms. Matsushima stated she believes the Board did previously accept courses that were live, inter-active webinars. The only issue the Board may have with that is if all their courses taken were on the computer.

Dr. Ota stated also with the addition of the six (6) ethics hours required, the Committee should consider increasing the number of hours for online or non-clinical course hours allowed from eight (8) hours to fourteen (14) hours.

Mr. Leibling stated the HDA is committed to making sure all of its members have access to this. However, they are not planning on any live classes. All HDA members will have access via the internet in a non-inter-active way. In addition, members who do not want to use the internet, will be able to complete it by mail correspondence.

Dr. Hasegawa stated now with the requirements for anesthesia requiring PALS and ACLS, he would also like to ask the Committee to consider adding that as a way to obtain CE course hours. He stated he will prepare a draft for the Committee to review at the next meeting.

Mr. Leibling stated in the proposed rules that are moving now, the Board will be requiring Healthcare Provider CPR which is eight (8) hours. The Committee may want to consider changing the four (4) hours given for CPR to eight (8) hours.

Mr. Jacob stated regarding §16-79-69.1 Allowable duties and training for a dental assistant, he provided language to add (17) apply fluoride in a manner deemed appropriate by the ADA in a unit dose or an amount pre-measured by the supervising dentist. Also regarding §16-79-69.5 Prohibited duties of dental assistants he changed the language to read: A dental assistant shall not perform the following intra-oral functions or any other activity deemed to be irreversible as to cause change in the affected hard or soft tissues and is permanent or may require reconstructive or corrective procedures; and then have (1) through (14) listed. He also wants to remind the Committee that should SB3085 pass and become law, it would invalidate any of the rule changes that are now being proposed to §16-79-69.1 and §16-79-69.5.

Mr. Leibling asked if the Board has taken a position to the language in SB3085.

Mr. Kobashigawa stated the Board has submitted testimony in opposition to SB3085.

The following agenda item was moved as the next order of business:

Executive Session:

At 11:40 a.m., it was moved by Dr. Ota, seconded by Dr. Chun, and unanimously carried to enter into executive session pursuant to HRS §§ 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4) to consult with the Board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities. Guests were excused from the meeting room

At 12:02 p.m., it was moved by Dr. Chun, seconded by Dr. Ota, and unanimously carried to move out of executive session.

The following agenda item was moved as the next order of business:

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss, Acting Rules Committee Chair Wada adjourned the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Sandra Matsushima
Sandra Matsushima
Executive Officer

/s/ Lisa Kalani
Lisa Kalani, Secretary

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- Minutes approved as is.
 Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.