

BOARD OF DENTISTRY
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING¹

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, September 16, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: Staphe Fujimoto, D.D.S., Chair, Dental Member
Pearl Arrington, R.D.H., Dental Hygiene Member
Mark Chun, D.M.D., Dental Member
Dennis Nagata, D.D.S., Dental Member
Garrett Ota, D.D.S., Dental Member
Joy B. Y. Shimabuku, Public Member
Sharon Tanaka, Public Member
George Wessberg, D.D.S., Dental Member
Joyce Yamada, R.D.H., Dental Hygiene Member
Christopher Leong, Esq., Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")
Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer ("EO")
Jennifer Fong, Secretary

Excused: Earl Hasegawa, D.D.S., Vice Chair, Dental Member

Guests: Danny Cup Choy, Hawaii Public Policy Advocates ("HPPA")
Sheila Kitamura, Kapiolani Community College
Gayle Chang, Hawaii Dental Hygienists Association ("HDHA")
Ellie Miyashiro, HDHA
Joseph P. Mayer, Jr.
Jessica Chang, HDHA/HMSA Dental

1. Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Fujimoto called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

¹ Comments from the public were solicited on each agenda item. If no public comments were given, the solicitation for and lack of public comment are not explicitly stated in these minutes.

Chair Fujimoto welcomed DAG Leong, who is covering the meeting for Supervising DAG Bryan Yee.

At 9:03 a.m., Dr. Wessberg arrived.

At this time, Chair Fujimoto announced the Board's procedural format for agenda matters and stated that the meeting will end no later than 1:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes of July 22, 2019: Chair Fujimoto asked the Board members if there were any comments or concerns regarding the Board meeting minutes of July 22, 2019. EO Matsushima stated that Vice Chair Hasegawa requested the following change to be made to page 17 (underlined material to be added):

Under "4. Old Business", the second and third paragraphs should read:

"Vice Chair Hasegawa stated that there was also a question regarding the remote storage of oxygen. He asked if there must be an audible alarm if the tank is in the same room, but secured in a closet or cabinet visible and immediately accessible to the operating personnel.

After some discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that if remote gas storage is used, an audible or visible low oxygen pressure warning device is mandatory. Oxygen tanks that are secured in a closet or cabinet, but in the same room and are directly visible and immediately accessible to the operating personnel are not considered remotely stored."

Chair Fujimoto asked if there were any other corrections to the minutes.

There being no further discussion or amendments to the minutes, Dr. Wessberg voted to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2019 meeting as amended. It was seconded by Ms. Tanaka, voted on and unanimously carried.

Chair Fujimoto called for a motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes of July 22, 2019.

It was moved by Dr. Wessberg, seconded by Ms. Shimabuku, and unanimously carried to approve the July 22, 2019 Executive Session Minutes as circulated.

3. Old Business: a. Approval of Additional Anesthesia Inspection Volunteers

After some discussion, it was moved by Dr. Wessberg, seconded by Ms. Shimabuku, and unanimously carried to approve the following licensees as volunteer inspectors as long as their Hawaii permit to administer deep sedation/general anesthesia and/or moderate sedation is current, valid and in good standing:

- Wayne S. Atebara (DT 1530)
- Michael E. Clarke (DT 1439)

4. New Business: a. Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO") Dentistry Advisory Committee Effective January 1, 2020 and Addendum to RICO's Dentistry Advisory Committee List

EO Matsushima reminded the Board that the names of the Advisory Committee members are confidential.

Chair Fujimoto asked the Board members if they had all had a chance to review the list.

Upon confirmation that they had not, Chair Fujimoto announced that further discussion on this matter would be deferred to later in the meeting in order to allow all Board members to review the list.

For Informational Purposes Only

b. Matters Related to the American Association of Dental Boards ("AADB") and the American Board of Dental Administrators ("AADA")

- AADB Board Action Reports for April, May, June and July 2019

A copy of the above-referenced information was circulated to the Board members for their review.

None of the AADB Board Action Reports included any sanctions from the Board.

c. Matters Related to the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc. ("ADEX")

- The Report of the 15th Annual ADEX Meeting 2019
- Bylaws – Approved at the 8-10-19 Meeting

A copy of the above-referenced information was circulated to the Board members for their review.

d. Matters Related to the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. ("CRDTS")

- CRDTS Workshop and Annual Meeting, August 23-24, 2019, Kansas City, MO

A copy of EO Matsushima's written evaluation was circulated to the Board members for their review.

- Summary of Changes 2020 CRDTS Dental Examinations
- The CRDTS Report – Summer 2019

A copy of the above-referenced publications were circulated to the Board members for their review.

e. Matters Related to the Commission on Dental Accreditation ("CODA")

- CODA Communicator: Summer/Fall 2019

A copy of the above-referenced publication was circulated to the Board members for their review.

5. Executive Officer's Report on Matters Related to the Board of Dentistry:

a. 2020 Board Meeting Dates

A copy of the above-referenced meeting dates was circulated to the Board members for their review.

EO Matsushima reported that the meeting schedule will be posted on the Board's website once the meeting rooms have been finalized.

b. DCCA Disciplinary Actions – June 2019 and July 2019

A listing of DCCA Disciplinary Actions from June and July 2019 was circulated to the members for their information.

There were no sanctions from the Board in the listing.

c. Civil Beat article "This Dental Care program for Kids Doesn't Require a Trip to the Dentist"

A copy of the above-referenced article was circulated to the Board members for their review.

d. Phone Scam Calls Targeting Licensed Professionals Reported

A copy of the above-referenced press release was circulated to the Board members for their review.

EO Matsushima gave a brief overview of the press release which states that phone scammers are targeting licensed professionals with false threats of investigation. DCCA received reports that an individual impersonating a state official has contacted at least two licensees stating that their professional licenses are under investigation by the Hawaii Medical Board. To add credibility to the fraudulent calls, the perpetrators utilized caller ID spoofing to make it seem that the calls were coming from the Hawaii Medical Board. She noted that none of the Professional & Vocational Licensing (“PVL”) Division’s boards and programs contact the general public on matters relating to formal investigations.

6. Applications: a. Ratifications

It was moved by Ms. Shimabuku, seconded by Dr. Nagata, and unanimously carried to ratify approval of the following dentist licenses:

- Approved Dentist License

DT 2821 KURTIS K KOMETANI
DT 2822 KAMIL NOWACKI
DT 2823 LEANN SKORONSKI
DT 2824 EDDY GIANG
DT 2825 ALEXANDER J VERGA
DT 2826 KRISTEN C TODOKI
DT 2827 SHUO YAN
DT 2828 JUSTIN F CHING
DT 2829 JUSTIN R MONTENEGRO
DT 2830 JASMIN E DE GUZMAN
DT 2831 JEFFREY M ELLIS
DT 2832 SUMMER M ARNOLD

It was moved by Ms. Shimabuku, seconded by Dr. Wessberg, and unanimously carried to ratify approval of the following dental hygienist licenses:

- Approved Dental Hygienist License

DH 2212 JAMES B RUIZ
DH 2213 MIRIAM FREIRE
DH 2214 ANANTHANA NORRAKET
DH 2215 JULIE E BAKER
DH 2216 DANIELLE R FOXWELL
DH 2217 BRITNEY C TUMANENG
DH 2218 CHELSEY A PAGUIRIGAN

DH 2219 KAREN C MARTIN
DH 2220 KASMINE J WINSTON
DH 2221 MACKENZIE E FISHER

It was moved by Dr. Wessberg, seconded by Ms. Shimabuku, and unanimously carried to ratify approval of the following applications for certification in the administration of intra-oral block anesthesia:

- Approved Certification in the Administration of Intra-Oral Block Anesthesia

DH 2200 AMBER D LUKIN
DH 2212 JAMES B RUIZ
DH 2214 ANANTHANA NORRAKET
DH 2215 JULIE E BAKER
DH 2217 BRITNEY C TUMANENG

It was moved by Dr. Wessberg, seconded by Ms. Shimabuku, and unanimously carried to ratify approval of the following community service dentist license:

- Approved Community Service License – Dentist

CSDT 101 SUSAN STROMMER (WEST HAWAII
COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER)

Chair Fujimoto asked the Board members if they had all had a chance to review the applications on the agenda.

Upon determining that they had not, Chair Fujimoto announced that further discussion on the following matters would be deferred to later in the meeting in order to allow Board members to review the applications:

- 6. Applications, b. Application for License – Dentist, 1) Jisu Kim
- 6. Application, b. Application for License – Dentist, 2) Cheryl Lee
- 6. Application, c. Application for License – Dental Hygienist, 1) Hillary Spencer
- 6. Application, c. Application for License – Dental Hygienist, 2) Debbie Tranmer

- 6. Application, c. Application for License – Dental Hygienist, 3) Geraldine Vadnais
- 6. Application, d. Review of Continuing Education (“CE”) Courses for Compliance of the CE Renewal Requirement, 1) Steven Rubisch, D.D.S. (DT-1012)

Recess: At 9:23 a.m., Chair Fujimoto called for a recess.

Reconvene: At 10:00 a.m., the Board reconvened their meeting.

At this time, Chair Fujimoto announced he was taking the agenda out of order to return to the deferred matters.

4. New Business: a. Regulated Industries Complaints Office (“RICO”) Dentistry Advisory Committee Effective January 1, 2020 and Addendum to RICO’s Dentistry Advisory Committee List

It was moved by Ms. Shimabuku, seconded by Dr. Wessberg, and unanimously carried to approve those licensees on RICO’s Dentistry Advisory Committee list, and Addendum language for the 2020 term, effective January 1, 2020.

6. Applications: c. Application for License – Dental Hygienist

- 1) Hillary Spencer

Chair Fujimoto asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding this application.

There being none, upon a motion by Dr. Wessberg, seconded by Dr. Chun, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Spencer’s application for a dental hygienist license.

- 2) Debbie Tranmer

Chair Fujimoto asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding this application.

There being none, upon a motion by Ms. Arrington, seconded by Dr. Ota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Tranmer’s application for a dental hygienist license.

3) Geraldine Vadnais

Chair Fujimoto asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding this application.

There being none, upon a motion by Ms. Shimabuku, seconded by Dr. Wessberg, it was voted on and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Vadnais' application for a dental hygienist license.

b. Review of Continuing Education ("CE") Courses for Compliance of the CE Renewal Requirement

1) Steven Rubisch, D.D.S. (DT-1012)

EO Matsushima noted that Dr. Rubisch was audited after the 2017 renewal. He did not submit the required CE documentation and was subsequently referred to RICO. Dr. Rubisch has since submitted CE documents to RICO. The Board needs to review the documents to determine if they are acceptable.

Chair Fujimoto asked if there were any comments or questions regarding Dr. Rubisch's CE documentation.

There being none, upon a motion by Ms. Shimabuku, seconded by Dr. Nagata, it was voted on and unanimously carried to accept Dr. Rubisch's CE documents to fulfill the requirements of the 2017 renewal audit.

Executive Session:

At 10:04 a.m., upon a motion by Dr. Ota, seconded by Ms. Shimabuku, it was voted on and unanimously carried to move into executive session pursuant to HRS § 92-5(a)(1) and (4), "To consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional or vocational licenses cited in section 26-9 or both;" and "To consult with the board's attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities" for the following agenda items:

- 6. Applications, b. Application for License – Dentist, 1) Jisu Kim
- 6. Application, b. Application for License – Dentist, 2) Cheryl Lee

Guests were excused from the meeting room.

At 10:35 a.m., it was moved by Dr. Ota, seconded by Ms. Shimabuku, and unanimously carried to move out of executive session.

6. Applications: b. Application for License – Dentist

1) Jisu Kim

Upon a motion by Dr. Nagata, seconded by Dr. Ota, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Dr. Kim's application pending submission of additional information.

2) Cheryl Lee

Upon a motion by Dr. Ota, seconded by Dr. Nagata, it was voted on and unanimously carried to defer Dr. Lee's application pending submission of additional information.

The Board returned to its regular order of business.

7. Next Board Meeting: Chair Fujimoto announced the next meeting as:

Monday, November 18, 2019
9:00 a.m.
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

8. Adjournment: It was moved by Ms. Shimabuku, seconded by Ms. Arrington, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Sandra Matsushima

/s/ Jennifer Fong

Sandra Matsushima
Executive Officer

Jennifer Fong
Secretary

SM:jaf

9/24/19

[] Minutes approved as is.

[] Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.