

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

**MINUTES OF MEETING<sup>1</sup>**

Date: January 26, 2026

Time: 10:17 a.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar  
<https://youtu.be/ZXd9cHNPinM>

Members Present: Andrew Tseu, D.D.S., J.D., Chair, Dental Member  
Paul Guevara, D.M.D, M.D.S., Dental Member  
Steven Pine, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Joy Shimabuku, Public Member  
Joyce Yamada, Ed.D., R.D.H., Dental Hygiene Member  
Craig Yamamoto, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Timmy Hirano, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Marianne Timmerman, R.D.H., Dental Hygiene Member  
Julie Tanabe Goo, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Christopher Woo, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Geri Young, M.D., Public Member

Members Excused: Jonathan Lau, D.D.S., Vice-Chair, Dental Member

Staff Present: Adrian Stinardo, Executive Officer (“EO Stinardo”)  
Young-im Wilson, Executive Officer (“EO Wilson”)  
James Paige, Esq., Deputy Attorney General (“DAG Paige”)  
Justin Young, Secretary

In-Person Guests: Charles Kamimura  
Richard Courson  
Henry Aquino

Zoom Webinar

Guests:  
Noelani Greene  
Kim Nguyen  
May Murphy

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<sup>1</sup> 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.

Stephen Prisby  
Kaitlyn Bison  
Katrina ("Tina") Clarke  
Joseph Mayer

Virtual Meeting  
Instructions:

A short video regarding virtual meetings was played for attendees.

Dr. Pine and Ms. Yamada provided information on internet and phone access for the virtual meeting and announced that the meeting was being recorded, to be posted on the Board's web page.

Agenda:

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

Roll Call:

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and proceeded with a roll call of the Board members. All Board members confirmed that they were present; those on Zoom confirmed they were present and alone.

Call to Order:

There being a quorum present, the Chair called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m.

Chair's  
Announcements:

**Welcome to new Board member Dr. Julie Tanabe Goo**

The Chair introduced the Board's new member Dr. Tanabe Goo, who provided a brief introduction.

There was no further discussion.

**Volunteer anesthesia inspectors certificates of appreciation**

The Chair announced that the volunteer inspection staff put in a great deal of their time and expertise into keeping the public safe by performing anesthesia facility inspections. The Chair expressed gratitude from the Board and explained that certificates of appreciation would be issued following the meeting to the members of the inspection staff.

There was no further discussion.

Approval of  
Minutes:

**Approval of the Open & Executive Session Minutes of November 10, 2025 Meeting**

The Chair asked if there was any Board discussion, corrections, or public comments regarding the November 10, 2025 meeting's minutes.

There were no Board comments or public testimony.

Ms. Yamada motioned to approve, seconded by Dr. Pine, it was

unanimously carried to approve the Open and Executive Session minutes of the November 10, 2025 meeting.

Ongoing Business:    **Discussion on proposed amendments to HAR 16-79**

The Chair introduced the current draft of the Hawaii Administrative Rules (“HAR”) 16-79, and asked EO Stinardo to provide an explanation of the highlighted amendments.

EO Stinardo explained that there were two primary changes made. The first change being a clarification of school accreditation requirements. The previous draft of the HAR referenced Commission on Dental Accreditation (“CODA”) accredited “schools”. CODA contacted the Boards of numerous jurisdictions to request clarification that this accreditation is at the program-level rather than the school-level. The highlighted changes to the HAR indicated instances where this concern was clarified.

EO Stinardo stated that the second change concerned the previous Board meeting’s discussion on providing the inspectors lead-time to complete facility inspections each biennium. EO Stinardo explained that there does not currently exist a mechanism to prevent dentists from requesting site inspections very late in the biennium. EO Stinardo explained that the second highlighted change had been added to address this issue and provide the inspectors with a 90-day lead-time requirement.

There was no further Board discussion. There was no public testimony.

Dr. Pine motioned to approve the amendments, Joy Shimabuku seconded. The proposed draft of HAR 16-79 was unanimously approved.

**Board discussion and determination regarding the necessity of pursuing the procurement process for site inspection services**

*Potentially pursuing the procurement process for the Board’s volunteer anesthesia site inspectors was discussed at the Board’s prior meeting.*

EO Stinardo re-introduced the inquiry for Board discussion, explaining that based on prior comments by Board members and inspectors, the procurement process may not be needed.

EO Stinardo explained that the issue seems to be more so in the timing of when inspections are requested, which is addressed by the drafted rules changes. EO Stinardo also stated that Board members have clarified that procurement had been attempted in the past without much success.

Dr. Yamamoto echoed that the procurement process likely would not be necessary, and that many of the issues with the inspection process had been addressed by organizational and procedural changes. Dr. Yamamoto continued that the drafted rules would also alleviate the issue.

**Consideration of an extension until December 31, 2027, of a previous blanket waiver allowing for the acceptance of all Continuing Education (“CE”) courses completed through virtual means**

*On January 22, 2024, the Board voted and unanimously carried to extend a blanket waiver until December 31, 2025 for the acceptance of all CE courses completed through virtual means.*

Upon a motion by Joyce Yamada, seconded by Geri Young, it was moved to enter into executive session 10:31 a.m.

At 10:45 a.m. the Board returned to Open Session.

The Chair provided a brief summary of what was discussed in Executive Session. The Chair stated that the Board had consulted with DAG Paige on the extending its prior CE waiver until Dec 31 2027.

No public testimony was given.

Ms. Yamada stated that due to the development of the virtual platform, health and safety will not be impacted by shifting to virtual CE and clarified that licensees will be able to access a wider and more applicable variety of CE courses.

Dr. Pine added that there are extenuating circumstances which have arisen for in-person CE and supported the motion.

The Chair noted that many other license types do not require in-person CE, dentistry is the only one he is aware of. He clarified he does not want to continuously repeat the waiver extension on a biennial basis but is working to address it long-term in the rules draft.

Dr. Guevara motioned, Joy Shimabuku seconded, and it was unanimously moved to approve the CE waiver until December 31, 2027.

New Business:

**Council of State Governments (“CSG”) Dentist and Dental Hygienist (“DDH”) Compact – Presentation by Caitlin Bison, Senior Policy Analyst, National Center for Interstate Compacts (“NCIC”)**

The Chair explained the Board has been closely monitoring and reviewing interstate compacts. In previous board meetings both the American Association of Dental Boards (“AADB”) and CSG present on their respective compacts.

The Chair reminded the public that the compacts are not proposed or approved by the Board and must be introduced legislatively.

Ms. Bison presented on the Dental and Dental Hygiene (“DDH”) compact. Ms. Bison explained that the compact is currently enacted in 12 other

states, and pending in 9 others.

Ms. Bison asked if there were any Board comments or questions. The Chair asked about the estimated timeframe for when the commission would finalize the rules and bylaws for the compact. Ms. Bison explained that the compact has chosen a data system, and the release staggers depending on each state and how long they may take to onboard into the chosen data system.

There was no further Board discussion or public comment.

### **Continuing Education (“CE”) Waiver Request for Dr. Richard Courson (DT-1112)**

Upon a motion by Ms. Yamada, seconded by Dr. Pine, it was unanimously carried to move into Executive Session at 11:00 a.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 11:31 a.m.

The Chair stated that the Board consulted with the DAG regarding Dr. Courson’s CE waiver request.

There was no public testimony.

The Chair stated that the information presented by Dr. Courson in his letter and in-person have been documented and under consideration for the Board’s review. The Board intakes CE waiver applications on a case-by-case basis.

Paul Guevara motioned, Ms. Shimabuku second, and at 11:32 it was unanimously moved to approve Dr. Courson’s CE waiver..

The Chair noted that even when the Board grants CE waivers, they encourage licensees to continue their CE.

### **Applications:**

#### **Ratification Lists**

After reading the license numbers on the ratification lists, the Chair asked if there was any public testimony or Board discussion.

Seeing none, the Chair asked for a motion to approve the ratification lists.

Upon a motion by Dr. Pine, seconded by Ms. Yamada, it was unanimously carried to approve the following ratification lists:

1) Approved Dentists

DT-3271-0     MIN KYUNG SHIN

DT-3272-0 ZACHARY KINGSLEY BERMAN  
DT-3273-0 ELIZABETH ANN KAIN  
DT-3274-0 MIRI CHRISTINE KIM  
DT-3275-0 YU MAO  
DT-3276-0 KELSEY JANIS CONRAD  
DT-3277-0 BETHANY KIYOKO CASTRO  
DT-3278-0 CLAIRE LOUISE ANDERSON  
DT-3279-0 VIVIANA ANGELINA OJEDA  
DT-3280-0 RYAN CHRISTOPHER MANDAP KELM  
DT-3281-0 MICHELLE XUAN CUI  
DT-3282-0 DAVID YOUNGMIN PARK  
DT-3283-0 KARI AKIKO TANJI  
DT-3284-0 DAVID AUSTIN SPINDEL

2) Approved Dental Hygienists

DH-2563-0 ALEC JESUS CODEN LAPITAN  
DH-2564-0 KAYLIN ANN LISTEN  
DH-2565-0 LINDSEY HANNAH BASUG  
DH-2566-0 MELANIE CORTEZ RAMOS  
DH-2567-0 JARELY JUDITH CONTRERAS  
DH-2568-0 SUNISA GIFT MURATA  
DH-2569-0 KATLA RAEANN MARTIN  
DH-2570-0 LAUREN ELIZABETH WAGNER  
DH-2571-0 MEAGAN A LIPTAK  
DH-2572-0 KAELEY RENEE PEREZ  
DH-2573-0 KAYLYNN MARIE JACOBSMA  
DH-2574-0 MEGAN KRISTEN BROWN

3) Approved Community Service Dentists

CSDT-118-0 PENELOPE J DODSON

Applications:

**Dentists**

- a) Huy Quoc Pham
- b) Jennifer Chun

Ms. Yamada moved to enter ES to discuss applications. Dr. Pine seconded. It was unanimously carried to move into Executive Session at 11:40 a.m.

At 11:58 a.m., the Board returned to Open Session.

EO Kim entered the meeting at 11:58 a.m.

The Chair stated that the Board had discussed applications during the Executive Session, and inquired if there was any public testimony or Board comments. There were none.

Upon a motion by Dr. Guevara, seconded by Dr. Pine. It was unanimously carried to approve the application Dr. Pham.

Upon a motion by Dr. Guevara, seconded by Dr. Pine, it was unanimously carried to approve the application of Dr. Chun.

The Chair noted that there are specific requirements for credentialing providers and facilities in place as safeguards for the public.

c) Approved Sponsoring Organizations

1. Dental Education Solutions & Training: Yearly OSHA Compliance Training
2. Terry Tanaka Study Group
3. Lloyd T. Narimatsu dba Safety Training
4. Teacher Tina RDH: Fundamentals of Local Anesthesia
5. Teacher Tina RDH: Local Anesthesia Refresher Course

The Chair provided information regarding approval for sponsoring organizations. The Chair grouped agenda items 6c. 1-3 into one item for the Board to approve.

There was no public or Board commentary.

Ms. Yamada motioned to approve the applications from agenda items 6c. 1-3, Dr. Pine seconded, and it was unanimously carried to approve the applications.

Dr. Yamamoto excused himself from the meeting at 12:03 p.m.

The Chair separated agenda items 6.c.4 and 6.c.5, and invited Ms. Clarke to speak. The Chair asked if she had any comments or further additional comments to provide.

Ms. Clarke stated that the courses were approved in the Board's March 2025 meeting. Ms. Clarke clarified that she has provided CVs for the dental hygienist providers. Ms. Clarke requests that because a dentist is required on site, she asked for any dentist license in the state of Hawaii to be approved.

Ms. Clarke verbally provided information for dentists that would potentially act as supervisors for the dental hygienist instructors.

Dr. Woo excused himself from the meeting at 12:09 p.m.

Upon a motion by Dr. Young, seconded by Ms. Yamada, it was

moved to enter Executive Session.

The Board entered Executive Session 12:10 p.m.

Upon a motion by Ms. Shimabuku, seconded by Ms. Yamada, it was unanimously carried to exit Executive Session at 12:15 p.m.

The Chair explained that Ms. Clarke's application was discussed in Executive Session and would be deferred to a later meeting.

Executive Officer's  
Report:

**Renewal year for dental licenses – updated Frequently Asked Questions (“FAQs”) will be posted to the Board’s website**

EO Stinaro stated that an updated FAQ specific to renewal information for the 2027 biennium would be added to the Board’s website.

Dr. Pine stated that clarifications would be appreciated concerning the parameters for dental assistants working alongside dental hygienists under dentists in various health settings.

**Hawaii State Department of Health, Family Health Services Division (FHSD) preparing to launch an oral health pilot project**

EO Stinaro gave a brief introduction to the project and clarified that further information would be available in coming Board meetings.

There was no further discussion.

Next Meeting:

Monday, February 2, 2026 – Special Legislative Meeting  
10:00 a.m.

In-Person: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
HRH King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, First Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Virtual

Participation: Virtual Videoconference Meeting – Zoom Webinar

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

Reviewed and approved by:

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Adrian Stinaro

/s/ Adrian Stinaro

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Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of March 9, 2026 Board Meeting.