

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY  
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES  
BOARD OFFICE SEPTEMBER 6, 2006  
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY**

**ATTENDANCE:** The following members were in attendance:

Emil Cappetta, DDS; Peter DeSciscio, DMD; Herbert Dolinsky, DDS; Maxine Feinberg, DDS; Ms. Karen Golding; Alexander Hall, DMD; Beverly Kupiec, RN, Ph.D.; Sally-Jo Placa, DMD; John Ricciani, DMD; Arnold Rosenheck, DMD

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Deputy Attorneys General Nancy Costello Miller and Joseph Donofrio; Kevin Earle, Executive Director; Michael Dominach, Paralegal.

**ABSENT AND/OR EXCUSED:** Patricia Delaney, RDH, Ed.M; Ms. Belinda Caraballo

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** July 26, 2006 - Approved as amended. August 9, 2006 - Approved as amended.

**II COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Dental Applications:

1. Dr. John J. Archible, III - Application for a New Jersey dental license. Moved to Executive Session. Tabled.
2. Dr. Peter Fam - Application for a New Jersey dental license. Moved to Executive Session. Tabled.
3. Dr. Benjamin Levi - Application for a New Jersey dental license. Dr. Levi meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.
4. Dr. Joel Cooper - Application for a New Jersey dental license. Dr. Cooper disclosed a medical condition on his application. The committee recommends that a letter be obtained from his medical doctor stating that his condition does not affect his ability to practice with reasonable skill and safety.
5. Dr. Kenneth Lee - Application for a New Jersey dental license. Dr. Lee meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.

Dental Auxiliaries:

1. Kristin Florke - Application for a Registered Dental Assistant registration. The committee recommends that Ms. Florke be scheduled for an appearance to discuss the information disclosed on her application.
2. Danielle Swinsburg - Application for a dental hygiene license. Ms. Swinsburg meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.
3. Lauren O'Donnell - Application for a dental hygiene license. Ms. O'Donnell meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.
4. Melissa Wolcuff - Application for a dental hygiene license. Ms. Wolcuff meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.

The Board in a motion by Dr. Placa, seconded by Dr. Feinberg approved the committee's recommendations.

**III. 2007 BOARD OF DENTISTRY MEETING DATES:**

The Board approved the following list of meeting dates for 2007:

January 3 & 17 (31 - committees)  
February 7 & 21  
March 7 & 21  
April 4 & 18  
May 2 & 16 & (30 - committees)  
June 6 & 20  
July 11 & 25  
August 8  
September 5 & 19  
October 3 & 17 & (31 - committees)  
November 7 & 21  
December 5 & 19

#### **IV. INCIDENT REPORTS:**

Additional information requested:

1. Dr. David Sykes - The Board reviewed additional information provided by Dr. Sykes concerning an incident which occurred in his office. The Board moved this matter to Executive Session for deliberation.

New reports:

1. Dr. Torin W. Rutner - The Board took this report as informational.
2. Dr. Michael Slomovitz - The Board took this report as informational.
3. Jersey Shore Medical Center Clinic - The Board took this report as informational.

NOTE: The Board suggested that the incident report form should be modified to report patient vital signs both pre and post incident.

#### **V. RESPONSE TO PROVISIONAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE:**

1. Dr. Joseph S. Lembo, Jr. - The Board reviewed responses to the Provisional Order of Discipline. This matter was moved to Executive Session for deliberation. This matter was tabled.

#### **VI. OTHER MATTERS:**

1. The Board reviewed a letter from Nicole Pierzantozzi, RDH, concerning her plan to offer denture cleaning to seniors in assisted living facilities, nursing homes and hospitals. The Board noted that such services can be provided by unlicensed individuals because the cleaning services are "extra-oral" and thus would not fall into the category of the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene. With regard to the question concerning the offer of courier services for denture repairs to a lab and return the repaired dentures to the senior, the Board determined that this would not be permitted because it requires a prescription from a dentist. The Board in a motion by Dr. Feinberg, seconded by Dr. Placa, voted to respond to Ms. Pierzantozzi as noted above. Motion passed, seven in favor, non opposed and three abstentions (Dr. Hall, Dr. Ricciani and Dr. Cappetta).

2. The Board reviewed letters from Commission on Dental Accreditation concerning the dental assisting programs sponsored by the Burlington County Institute of Technology and the Mercer County Technical Schools. The Board requested the board office to inquire about the specific issues cited by CODA. Arthur Meisel from the New Jersey Dental Association will also contact the program.

3. ADEX - The Board reviewed copies of correspondence from the Kentucky Board of Dentistry and Tennessee Board of Dentistry to ADEX. The Board took this as informational.

4. ADA - The Board reviewed information concerning Part I of the National Board Dental Examinations. The Board took this as informational.

**ADJOURNMENT:**