

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
BOARD OFFICE
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY OCTOBER 3, 2007**

ATTENDANCE: The following members were in attendance: Emil Cappetta, DDS; Patricia Delaney, RDH, Ed.M; Peter DeSciscio, DMD; Maxine Feinberg, DDS; Alexander Hall, DMD; Ms. Karen Golding;

OTHER ATTENDEES: Deputy Attorneys General Nancy Costello Miller and Joseph Donofrio; Cecilia Moreira, Senior Management Assistant; Michael Dominach, Paralegal.

ABSENT AND/OR EXCUSED: Ms. Belinda Caraballo; Herbert Dolinsky, DDS; Beverly Kupiec, RN, Ph.D.; Sally-Jo Placa, DMD; John Ricciani, DMD; Arnold Rosenheck, DMD

NOTE: The Public Session Agenda commenced at 10:00 A.M. The Board met in committee for lack of a quorum.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 5, 2007 - The committee recommends approval as amended.

II. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Credentials:

Dental:

- Dr. Arthur Abdi - Application for a New Jersey dental license. The committee recommends that an appearance be scheduled to discuss the information disclosed on his application.

Dental Auxiliaries:

- Jennifer Pavese - Application for a dental hygiene license. The committee recommends that an appearance be scheduled to discuss the information disclosed on her application.

- Rusty Beall-Sapecky - Application for a dental hygiene license. Mr. Beall-Sapecky meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.

- Karen Ihle - Application for a dental hygiene license. Ms. Ihle meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.

- Margaret Walburn - Application for a dental hygiene license. Ms. Walburn meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.

- Angela Lucarelli - Application for a dental hygiene license. Ms. Lucarelli meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.

2. Continuing Education:

The committee recommends approval of 13 applications for course approval.

III. PROPOSED REGULATION:

1. The committee reviewed a copy of the Department of Health and Senior Services readoption of N.J.A.C. 8:65, the Controlled Dangerous Substances Rules, with Amendments, Repeals and New Rule. The committee recommends that this be taken as informational.

IV SISTER STATE ACTIONS:

The committee moved this matter to Executive Session for discussion:

The committee returned to Public Session and recommended the following:

1. Dr. Gary L. Golden

The committee reviewed a copy of a Consent Order filed by the Florida Board of Dentistry. Dr. Golden's New Jersey dental license is on retired status since October 2001. The committee recommends that this matter be maintained on file to be discussed with Dr. Golden if he ever applies for reinstatement of license.

2. Dr. Elena Stouden

The committee reviewed a copy of a Consent Order filed by the New York Board of Dentistry. Dr. Stouden's New Jersey dental license expired in October 2003. The committee recommends that this matter be maintained on file to be discussed with Dr. Stouden if she ever applies for reinstatement of license.

3. Dr. Gregory A. Barksdale

The committee reviewed a copy of a Consent Order filed by the Pennsylvania Board of Dentistry. Dr. Barksdale was reprimanded and assessed a \$2,000 penalty for failure to meet the continuing education requirements. Dr. Barksdale's New Jersey dental license is on active status and expires October 31, 2007. The committee recommends that Dr. Barksdale be requested to provide proof of continuing education credits for the last four years. The last two renewal applications will also be reviewed.

4. Dr. Meenakshi Patel

The committee reviewed a copy of a Consent Order filed by the Nevada Board of Dentistry. Dr. Patel's New Jersey dental license expired in October 2001. The committee recommends that this matter be maintained on file to be discussed with Dr. Patel if he ever applies for reinstatement of license.

5. Dr. Anthony Schwartz

The committee reviewed a copy of a Consent Order filed by the Maryland Board of Dentistry. Dr. Schwartz's New Jersey dental license is on inactive status and expired in October 2003. The committee recommends that this matter be maintained on file to be discussed with Dr. Schwartz if he ever applies for reinstatement of license.

6. Dr. Terrence D. Stradford

The committee reviewed a copy of a Consent Order filed by the New York Board of Dentistry. The committee recommends that a copy of this Order be provided to Deputy Attorney General Siobham Krier. The committee also requests that DAG Krier provide a status report of the matter concerning Dr. Stradford.

7. Dr. Mark Bradford Dewey

The committee reviewed a copy of a Consent Order filed by the Pennsylvania Board of Dentistry. Dr. Dewey's New Jersey dental license is on expired status since 1995. Dr. Dewey's Pennsylvania license was indefinitely suspended for unprofessional conduct for failing to provide necessary dental care. Dr. Dewey was unable to practice on a regular basis due to chronic fatigue and symptoms associated with Lyme Disease. The committee recommends that a status of Dr. Dewey's medical condition be obtained.

V. REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE FOLLOWING DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

1. Dr. Joel Kurtz - The committee moved this matter to Executive Session for discussion.

VI. OTHER MATTERS:

1. Michael S. LePera, DMD, MD - The committee reviewed an inquiry from Dr. LePera. Dr. LePera possesses both a dental license and a medical license. He is questioning whether there would be a conflict with the Dental Board statutes and regulations if he practiced both disciplines simultaneously. The committee recommends that additional information be obtained as to the kind of dentistry he will be performing, including anesthesia administration.

2. The committee reviewed correspondence from Dr. Millard M. Braunstein requesting a waiver of the continuing education credits. The committee recommends that Dr. Braunstein be advised that if he holds an active license he must complete the continuing education credits. A six month extension will be granted to complete the credits.

3. The committee reviewed correspondence from Azita Emami, DMD, requesting the criteria to open a Zoom clinic or spa. The committee noted the Board has previously determined that a dentist must be on the premises and obtain a branch office license for that location. This location must meet all requirements of a regular dental office. A copy of the Board's regulations will also be sent referring Dr. Emami to the delegable duties.

4. The committee reviewed correspondence from the Commission on Dental Accreditation concerning State Board Participation on Accreditation Site Visits. The committee recommends this be taken as informational.

5. (Not on the Agenda) - Dr. DeSciscio reported on his attendance of the American Association of Dental Examiners Meeting. He expressed the importance of continued attendance at these meetings for exchange of information on common issues that affect all state boards.

6. (Not on the Agenda) - The committee discussed an inquiry for clarification from the Board office as to whether Limited Teaching Certificate applicants require criminal history background checks. The committee recommends that this be a requirement as part of the application procedure.

The committee also discussed a request for clarification as to the need for limited teaching certificates and residency permits. The committee indicated that post graduate students in a CODA approved program, in which they are required to teach as part of the program's educational component, would not need a limited teaching certificate.

ADJOURNMENT: