

**NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
BOARD OFFICE (Somerset Room)
NOVEMBER 2, 2005 NEWARK, NEW JERSEY**

ATTENDANCE: The following members were in attendance:

Emil Cappetta, DDS; Patricia Delaney, RDH, Ed.M; Peter DeSciscio, DMD; Herbert Dolinsky, DDS; Maxine Feinberg, DDS; Alexander Hall, DMD; Beverly Kupiec, RN, Ph.D; Sally-Jo Placa, DMD;

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

ABSENT AND/OR EXCUSED: John Ricciani, DMD, Arnold Rosenheck, DMD

NOTE: The Public Session Agenda started at 10:00 A.M.

Karen Golding was welcomed as a newly appointed public member to the Board replacing Laura Leach.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 5, 2005 - Approved as amended.

B. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

1. Executive Director Kevin Earle reported on the pending issue with the Medical Board concerning Alternate Credentialing Process for oral surgeons who are both medical doctors licensed by the Board of Medical Examiners as well as licensed dentists. Mr. Earle reported that the BME is reviewing information supplied by the American Association of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons on anesthesia education. In the meantime, the BME will not require the alternate credentialing for these dual licensees while the matter is being renewed.

2. Executive Director Kevin Earle discussed the New Jersey Professional Responsibility and Reporting Enhancement Act which requires all licensees to be finger printed. The Division projects that fingerprinting of health care boards will occur in 2007.

C. SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The Board in a motion by Dr. Hall, seconded by Dr. Feinberg, approved the list of applicants for licensure.

D. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Credentials:

Dental Applications:

- Dr. Salvatore Pera - The committee reviewed HIS application for a New Jersey dental license. Dr. Pera meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.

- Dr. Alul - The committee reviewed an application for a New Jersey dental license. Dr. Alul does not have a degree from an approved school. The committee recommends that the license be denied.

Dental Auxiliaries:

- Heather Trapp - The committee reviewed an application for a dental hygiene license by N.E.R.B. past five years. Ms. Trapp meets all requirements for licensure. The committee recommends approval.

The Board in a motion by Ms. Delaney, seconded by Dr. DeSciscio, approved the committee's recommendations.

2. Continuing Education:

- The committee reported on 12 courses received. The committee recommends approval of ten. Two require additional information be submitted.

- New Jersey Foundation of Dentistry for Persons with Disabilities - Request for continuing education credit for licensees who participate in the Donated Dental Services Program. The Board in a motion by Dr. Feinberg, seconded by Dr. Placa, determined to waive up to three hours of continuing education credit within a biennial registration period for licensees who participate in Donated Dental Services program.

The Board also discussed the possibility of having licensees complete community service through Donated Dental Services, when necessary, for individuals as a Board directed requirement. The Board requested that the Foundation be contacted to determine whether it can monitor such a program.

E. REQUEST THAT RESTRICTIONS BE LIFTED FOLLOWING DISCIPLINARY ACTION:

1. Joseph S. Hannah, D.M.D. - The Board moved this matter to Executive Session for deliberation.

F. OTHER MATTERS:

1. Roseli Serna - The Board reviewed Ms. Serna's request for an extension to complete the continuing education credits to renew her dental hygiene license. She indicates that her husband was temporarily transferred to Bangkok, Thailand and she joined him in February 2005. She has completed four hours of continuing education and is requesting an extension to complete the remaining credits. The Board granted an extension until June 30, 2006.

2. The Board reviewed a letter from Daniel J. Buksa, JD, Director, Advocacy and Representation, Academy of General Dentistry, concerning a Tennessee licensee who wants to attend a hands-on course in New Jersey. The Board referred this matter to the Regulatory committee (Dr. Placa, Ms. Delaney, Dr. Cappetta, Dr. DeSciscio). The Board requested that they provide a report at the December 7th meeting.

The Board requested that the Academy of General Dentistry be contacted to determine what conditions they have sought from other boards with regard to this matter.

3. The Board reviewed a letter from Arthur Meisel, counsel for NJDA, concerning Dental Team, LLP. He questioned whether the entity can own a dental practice . The Board determined to obtain information concerning the corporate structure.

ADJOURNMENT: