

NEW JERSEY BOARD OF DENTISTRY

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

**BOARD OFFICE
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY**

DECEMBER 19, 2012

ATTENDANCE: Emil Cappetta, DMD, Lydia David DMD,, DDS, Nicholas C. DeRobertis, DMD, Peter DeSciscio, DMD, Maxine Feinber (1:00), DDS, Roger M. Kriete (12:30), DMD, Beverly Kupiec, RN, PhD, Richard D. Riva, DDS, Shirley Birenz, RDH, Mr. Steven Brisgel,(12:00) Sheila Dashkow, DDS. (12:30)

OTHER ATTENDEES: Deputy Attorneys Generals Miller and Oo, Executive Director Jonathan Eisenmenger, Administrative Assistant Sonia Claudino

ABSENT: Herbert Dolinsky, DDS

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 5, 2012

A motion was made by Dr. DeRobertis, seconded by Dr. Dashkow to approve the minutes as amended. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

II COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Applications:

1. Yosmery Garcia-Dental Hygenist by credentials. On a motion made by Dr. Dashkow, seconded by Dr. Riva, the Board voted to approve the application. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

2. Dr. Caroline Bateman - Inquiry whether the Board will accept the ADEX examination administered by SRTA for initial licensure. Question is posed because SRTA does not require completion of the periodontics portion of the examination. The Board has previously stated that despite ADEX's decision to not include the periodontics portion in its examination, applicants for licensure in New Jersey must successfully complete the periodontics portion of the exam to be eligible. On a motion made by Dr. Feinberg, seconded by Dr. DeRobertis, the Board will notify the inquirer that it will accept the ADEX exam administered by SRTA, but that she must also take and pass the periodontal exam section. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

3. Dr. Concha Adamich - Application by credentials. The Board previously advised that she was not eligible for licensure by credentials as she has practiced for only three and one-half years in one jurisdiction and she did not pass the endodontic portion of the clinical examination she completed. The Board noted she could apply by taking the NERB examination. Dr. Adamich asked the Board to reconsider its decision and to permit her, in lieu of taking the full NERB examination, to take the just endodontics portion. The Board, on motion by Dr. Riva, seconded by Dr. Dashkow, determined to permit Dr. Adamich to take the endodontics portion of the NERB exam, and if passed, will accept the passing score along with her prior clinical examination as satisfying the examination requirement.

III PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

1. A-3427 - The Board discussed A-3427, which provides for temporary professional or occupational licensure for qualified nonresident military spouses.

The Board supports the proposed legislation, noting that the bill recognizes the role of professional and occupational licensing boards in establishing criteria to ensure that the public is protected. Motion by Dr. Cappetta, seconded by Dr. Riva, in support of the bill. The vote was unanimous.

IV RESPONSE TO UNIFORM PENALTY LETTER:

1. Dr. Thomas C. Streko - The Board reviewed Dr. Streko's response to the Board's Uniform Penalty Letter for violating advertising regulations. Dr. Streko waived a hearing and submitted a written explanation for the Board's consideration. He stated the publisher changed the ad copy.

After review, the Board was not persuaded by the mitigation offered. Motion by Dr. Fenberg, seconded by Dr. Kupiec, to sustain the Board's original decision assessing a \$500 civil penalty. The vote of the Board was unanimous.

Off Agenda: Board members requested that a newsletter be published on the Board's website (perhaps quarterly). Dr. DeRobertis and Dr. Dashkow offered to work on a draft.

V ADJOURNMENT of public session. The Board moved to Executive Session for review of investigations, deliberations, and advice of counsel. If and when action is taken, it will be reported in public session.