

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF DENTISTRY

MINUTES

Dates: October 21 & 22, 2022

Location: Hilton Garden Inn
150 Suncrest Towne Centre Drive
Morgantown, WV 26505

Members Present: John E. Bogers, DDS, President
William A. Klenk, Secretary
Terry L. Coatney, Citizen Member
David G. Edwards, DDS
Lewis D. Gilbert, DDS
Kimberly A. Lowe, RDA
Gina M. Sharps, MPH, BSDH
S. Vincent Veltri, DDS

Members Absent: David G. Edwards, DDS (10/22)
Stan W. Kaczowski, DDS

Staff Present: Mrs. Susan M. Combs, Executive Director

Board Counsel: Ms. Joanne Vella, Assistant Attorney General

October 21, 2022

The Complaint Committees met to review complaints and disciplinary matters with no decisions or votes being made.

The Board's President, Dr. Bogers, determined this meeting was properly noticed with the Secretary of State's office and a sufficient number of members were in attendance to constitute a quorum. The quorum was determined by the presence of eight of the nine sitting Board members. Therefore, the meeting of the West Virginia Board of Dentistry was called to order.

The next order of business was the meeting notice to the Secretary of State which was distributed for information purposes only.

The next order of business were the minutes from the July meeting. Upon motion by Dr. David G. Edwards, and properly seconded by Dr. William A. Klenk, and unanimously passing the minutes were approved.

The next order of business were the appointments to the Board by Governor Justice. Dr. Edwards was re-appointed to a dentist position, Mrs. Gina Sharps, MPH, BSDH, was appointed to

the hygiene member position, Ms. Kimberly A. Lowe, RDA, was appointed to the dental assistant member position, and Mr. Terry L. Coatney, was appointed to the citizen member position.

The next order of business was the general legislative discussion. The Board reviewed the proposed rules concerning Application Procedures, 5CSR9, for an agency approved rule for final filing. There were no comments concerning this rule. Dr. S. Vincent Veltri made a motion to finalize the rule as proposed. Dr. David G. Edwards seconded the motion, which unanimously passed. The Board reviewed the modifications to 5CSR15, Dental Recovery Networks, which were requested by the Rule Making Review Committee, which was taken for information purposes only. The Board reviewed 5CSR2, the PLLC Formation rules, which will be reviewed again in the Spring for possible rule-making actions. The Board reviewed information concerning the development of the Dental Licensure Compact by the Council of State Governments, which was taken for information purposes only at this time.

The next order of business was a review of the Dental Recovery Network measurers, which were taken for information purposes only.

The next order of business was a review of the guidelines for non-surgical periodontal laser therapy for dental hygienists and a letter from Dr. Bruce L. Cassis requesting approval for an online module for the didactic training. After review and discussion Dr. William A. Klenk made a motion to make the following changes to the guidelines: amend the number of didactic hours to 5.5, and ending the sentence in paragraph three after “hands-on training”. Dr. Lewis D. Gilbert seconded the motion, which unanimously passed. The Board directed the Executive Director to correspond with Dr. Cassis and let him know there is no prohibition of online modules for the didactic portion of the requirement and send him a copy of the updated guidelines.

The next order of business is a request from the Dental Organization for Conscious Sedation for course approval for nitrous oxide monitoring certification. After review, Dr. S. Vincent Veltri made a motion to approve the course. Dr. William A. Klenk seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next order of business were regional board issues including Regional Board reports and representation, Commission on Dental Competency Assessment - Western Regional Examining Board’s (CDCA-WREB) Examination Overview and Candidate Performance report 2022, which were taken for information purposes only.

The next order of business was a discussion concerning the possibility of hiring an In-House Counsel. Board Counsel, Joanne Vella stepped out of the room during this conversation. The Board will continue to explore this issue.

The next order of business were the financial and pcard reports, which includes the Ghost Travel report, with all board members having the opportunity to review the PCard logs, documentation and receipts at this time. Dr. William A. Klenk made a motion to accept the reports as distributed. Dr. S. Vincent Veltri seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The next order of business was an update concerning the licensing software development with GL Solutions. We recently completed the project to reduce all of the Board's fees in the database in accordance with the rule changes during the 2022 legislative session. Currently the Board has three projects started or in the requirements gathering stage. These include updates to the initial dental, hygiene and specialty applications, an online form to allow a licensee to request and pay for a verification letter to be sent to another state, and an online initial application for Corporations and PLLCs. Future projects include an online complaint form, online application for telehealth registration, as well as the ability to request and pay for other requests online such as rosters.

The next order of business were the Board of Risk and Insurance Management related safety requirements, wherein provided safety documentation were reviewed.

The next order of business were the recent actions taken by the Commission on Dental Accreditation which included the approval of a second year General Practice Residency program at Cabell Huntington Hospital beginning July 2023, which were taken for information purposes.

The next order of business were the COVID19 guidelines for Dentistry and the updates from the Centers for Disease Control. After a short discussion concerning the same, the Board made no changes to their recommendations.

The next order of business was a review and discussion concerning the Anesthesia Emergency Drug Requirements & Equipment List. Dr. William A. Klenk requested the Board's Anesthesia Committee consider changing Diphenhydramine and Diazepam from vials to oral dosing in the all dental office section. After a short discussion, the Board will request the Anesthesia Committee consider these changes during their next meeting.

The next order of business was a call for nominations from the American Association of Dental Board (AADB) for various committees. Dr. David G. Edwards would be interested in the Bylaws Committee, which will be sent to the Chief Executive Officer of the AADB.

The next order of business were newsletters and publications, which were taken for information purposes, from the following: West Virginia Board of Dentistry newsletter and annual report and newsletters from the WV Dental Association.

The next order of business were future meetings, which included the CDCA-WREB, Southern Conference of Dental Deans and Examiners, and WV Dental Association meetings in January 2023; WV Rural Health Association meeting this weekend; and the WV Board of Dentistry Calendar. The Board discussed having the Spring meeting in Shepherdstown or Wheeling.

At this time the President announced the need for an Executive Session to consider matters under provisions contained in Chapter 6, Article 9A, Section 4, not limited to, but primarily for those contained in Subsections (4) and (6), specifically to review complaints, and investigations. Dr. David G. Edwards made a motion to go into Executive Session, Dr. William A. Klenk seconded the motion, which unanimously passed. Dr. Samuel V. Veltri recused himself during certain discussions

during Executive Session. Thereafter, the Board came back into general session upon motion by Dr. David G. Edwards, properly seconded by Dr. Lewis D. Gilbert, and unanimously passing.

The next order of business was the consideration of recommendations by the complaint committees of the Board. Upon motion by Dr. David G. Edwards, and properly seconded by Dr. William A. Klenk, and unanimously passed, the Board approved the committee recommendations.

The next order of business was the consideration of application 2022-117 for licensure. After review and discussion. Dr. S. Vincent Veltri made a motion to deny the license due to the lack of the necessary education requirements. Dr. William A. Klenk seconded the motion, which unanimously passed.

At this time Dr. David G. Edwards made a motion to adjourn for the day. Dr. Lewis D. Gilbert seconded the motion, which unanimously passed.

October 22, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Dr. John E. Bogers, President of the Board, determined this meeting was properly noticed with the Secretary of State's office and a sufficient number of members were in attendance to constitute a quorum. The quorum was determined by the presence of seven of the nine sitting Board members. Therefore, the meeting of the West Virginia Board of Dentistry was called to order.

The next order of business was a revisit of the guidelines for non-surgical periodontal laser therapy for dental hygienists. After a short discussion, Mrs. Gina Sharps made a motion to remove the word periodontal from the guidelines and certificates as the rule covers more than periodontal duties. Dr. William A. Klenk seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

At this time the Board adjourned upon motion by Mrs. Gina Sharps, properly seconded by Dr. William A. Klenk and unanimously passing with member training immediately following. The next regular meeting scheduled for January 13 & 14, 2023, at The Embassy Suites, Charleston, West Virginia.