

South Dakota Board of Dentistry  
Regular Meeting  
St Charles Hotel; Pierre, SD  
June 13, 2008; 10:00 am

Chairman Jim Nyberg called the meeting to order at 10:20 am.

Present were: Geoff Johnson, Roger Wilson, Joan Adam, Jim Nyberg, Randy Sachau, Audrey Ticknor, Robin Hattervig, Steve Willard and Pat Stearns. Guests were: Raye Brown, Paul Knecht, Rhonda Bradberry and Carrie Mickonnen.

Willard reviewed the minutes of the past two meetings. The group identified two changes to the minutes of the January 4, 2008, meeting. Those were: change the reference in the 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph to withdrawal of their “applications”, rather than the withdrawal of their “licenses”. Also, Dan Libbia’s name had been misspelled on the second page. Motion to approve the minutes as corrected by Geoff Johnson. Second by Roger Wilson. Motion carried.

Willard reviewed the financial report. Motion to approve the financial report by Joan Adam. Second by Wilson. Motion carried.

Pat Stearns gave the office report. There was lengthy discussion of the website including banner advertising, costs to maintain, information being collected about the offices, incentives to participate. The reaction by the licensees has been very positive.

There was a discussion about how to audit the licensees to affirm the accuracy of their electronic records. There was a brief discussion about maintaining current licenses for auxiliary staff within the offices.

Rhonda Bradberry (Lake Area Technical Institute) spoke about an advanced dental assistant course they are developing with both clinical and online components. It would be about 75 hours in length and could be used to determine competency.

The group was supportive of the concept and suggested two training regimens; one for working individuals seeking advanced certification, the other a refresher course for individuals who have interrupted their careers and want to return. Motion by Randy Sachau that the Board express its support to Lake Area to develop such a course (or courses). Second by Johnson. Motion carried.

Carrie Mickonnen spoke about the second mobile dental clinic that will be arriving in South Dakota soon. She was seeking approval to use handheld radiographic equipment in the clinic.

Willard reviewed conversations that he had with representatives of the Department of Health (DOH) about the use of handheld equipment. Knecht summarized the meetings the Association had with the Department. DOH has agreed to allow the use of the machine if the Board consents to ensure adequate patient and operator safety.

There was a lengthy discussion about the machines, their use and how to ensure safety. The Board reviewed literature about the equipment being considered for the mobile clinic. They agreed that training and competence in the use of the machines is paramount. They discussed the courses currently being taught that include a handheld component (at USD). They

reviewed the specific requirements within the dental chapter of the administrative rules addressing safety, training, etc. They agreed to encourage the Vocational Schools to provide a component for handheld equipment. They directed the office to communicate with all the radiographers on the issue during this license renewal time.

The group concluded that the current rules provide adequate authority by which to create the safe and effective use of handheld equipment. Motion by Johnson that the Board thank the Department of Health for their rules change, acknowledge the importance of education and training, agree to further develop training for handheld radiographic equipment and communicate to DOH that the current rules provide adequate authority to protect both operator and patient safety. Second by Hattervig. Motion carried.

There was a discussion of anesthesia and the latest draft of the proposed administrative rules change. There were several specific changes suggested and there was a general discussion about when to release the rules to the practitioners for their comments. The group agreed to send the rules back to the subcommittee (Sachau, Wilson, Johnson and Willard) for their review. The group was also charged with considering the details of the office inspections that would follow the implementation of the change.

The Board interviewed candidates for license by credentials verification: dental candidates were: Tracy Heeter, Dan Youngren, Bradley Wenande; and for dental hygienist, Sharon Becker and Kim Strivens.

Dentist regular applications: Dr John Arthur Benusis, Dr Angela Theresa Curry, Dr Zachariah Dannenbring, Dr Jesse David Fast, Dr Michael Joseph Frankman, Dr Joshua David Friedman, Dr Tracy John Grossman, Dr Elycia Ann Harms, Dr Christopher Don Hart, Dr Kate Suzanne Haave, Dr Brent Jason Henriksen, Dr Kelli Jo Jobman, Dr Jeremy Robert Johnson, Dr Thomas James Kaiser, Dr Jonathan Andrew Kuipers, Dr Sara Kyrene Reausaw, Dr Jonathan Bernard Reth, Dr Shaun Roger Rocknak, Dr James Patrick Sather, Dr Reid Alan Stone, Dr Amy Marie Scepaniak, Dr Eric Grant Unkenholz, Dr Andrew Thomas Wiswall, Dr Ross Alan Yost, Dr Kendra Elizabeth (Woodburn) Zuercher

Dental Hygienist regular license: Ann Elizabeth Aljets, Louise Lynn Antanitis, Brittany Renae Bean, Megan Kay Dickes, Jessica Olson Dolas, Rachel Renee Fisher, Tucker William Gross, Heather Jane Heine, Rose Shavonne Healy Amanda Joyce Kusek, Crystal Marie Lubben, Lacy J. Mahlke, Kory Kay Ninceheler, Lindsey Jo Stone, Britney Renae Prins, Hallie Ann Reumann, Jessica Fennel Ruml, Alicia Beth Rust, Traci Lynn St.Aubin, Jessica Lea Sona, Sara Ann Tillman, Amanda Lee Trudeau, Kristin Kay Tschakert, Amanda Mary Wahl, Mary Elizabeth Anderson, Miranda Kay Martin, Lindsay May Reinesch, Chelsa Elizabeth Bohlman, Laura Leigh Rau, Shawna Mae Talich, Julia Marie Goldammer, Ashley Dawn Brownell.

Corporate applications:

Dental Urgent Care, Joseph Heinze, DDS MS P.C., Wagner, Kuntz & Grabouski, PC Meyer Orthodontic, PC, Richard Meyer, DDS P.C., Black Hills Orthodontics, Prof LLC Sigaty Dental Clinic, PC, Scott Family Dentistry, Inc., Greg A. Hanson, DDS, Prof LLC

Michael D. Homer, DMD, PC, Chad S. Lewison, D.D.S., P.C.,  
Soderstrom Implant Dentistry, P.C., Collin C. Palmquist, DDS, PC

Motion by Sachau to approve all the regular dentist and hygiene applicants pending completion of their applications, all the candidates who applied by credential verification, all the reinstatement candidates and all the corporate applications as reviewed. Second by Johnson. Motion carried.

There was a discussion about identifying students who were working in dental offices as a requirement for their degree as they are working with minimal credentials. The group agreed that there is value to identifying and integrating such students into the licensure process. The group agreed to discuss a "student" temporary certificate in the future.

The Board conducted interviews of candidates for the position of Executive Secretary.

The Board discussed the contractual status of Willard and Associates and the transition to a new Executive. Motion by Sachau that the Board extend the current contract with Willard and Association until December 31, 2008 at its present rate. Second by Adam. Motion carried.

The group discussed the idea of contracting with dentists to assist with the complaint process. They were supportive, but did not take any action. Sachau was directed to contact Pat Coyne, a Past Board President to solicit his interest.

The group discussed other Board contracts and agreed to extend the contracts for the current consultants for another year. The contractors include: Monty Bechtold, James Jones, JoNell Bly, Pat Hermanson, Linda Custis, James Cunningham, and Charlie Draper.

There was a discussion of Board officers. After discussion, motion by Nyberg that Randy Sachau serve as President for the 2008-2009 year. Second by Hattervig. Motion carried. Motion by Ticknor that Geoff Johnson serve as Vice President. Second by Adam. Motion carried. Motion by Nyberg that Ticknor remain as Secretary/treasurer. Second by Adam. Motion carried.

The group discussed dates for upcoming meetings. They agreed to meet October 17, 2008 and February 13, 2009.

Nyberg asked if there was any additional business. There was none and the meeting adjourned at 5:15.

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Steve Willard, Executive Secretary