

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
FEBRUARY 8, 2017 MEETING

Present: David Baasch, Gerald Theberge, Mimi Kevan, Randall Miller, Sally Buell, and Jennie Kendall via phone; Absent: Dixie Vallie, Edward Pantzar, Katherine Silloway, Robert Ruhl, and Elizabeth Merrill; Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: Gabriel Gilman, Diane Lafaille, and Carla Preston; Others present: Ellen Grimes, Vaughn Collins, Falko Schilling, Stephen Reynes, Linda Greaves and Deborah Teixeira.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.
2. The minutes of the December 14, 2016 meeting were approved with the following corrections:

#5 Other, the last sentence, "Letter c the Board will not discuss further" should be deleted.
Approved.
3. The Board requested that it be noted that there was not a January 2017 meeting.
4. The Board noted that Ms. Hibbert is out on medical leave and they wish her their best.
5. Hearings/Stipulations and Consent Orders/Removal of Conditions Orders/Closings

2016-37 – Closing Report – Tabled.

M2016-72 (2016-486) Lura Marie Pratson – The Board heard a Petition for Removal of Board Conditions. The Board denied her petition. Approved.
6. Case Manager's Report:

The Board has 36 pending cases. 1 is on appeal, 2 are on hold, 3 have been recommended for closure, 12 are ready for Investigative Team meetings, 10 are with investigators, 8 are pending charges.
7. Correspondence:
 - a. Deborah Teixeira submitted a continuing education request for Tooth Tutor Mid-Year Meeting. This was approved.
 - b. Marijke Kopecky emailed the Board regarding dental hygienist's applying silver diamine fluoride. The Board responded that this is not specifically addressed in the rules. There is no laundry list. The Board has decided to leave the rule open and not specifically approve this. It states that a dental hygienist is allowed to do what they have been trained to do, and is within their scope of practice.
 - c. Robin Miller emailed the Board regarding dental hygienist's applying silver diamine fluoride. The Board responded that this is not specifically addressed in the rules. There is no laundry list. The Board has decided to leave the rule open and not specifically approve this. It states that a dental hygienist is allowed to do what they have been trained to do, and is within their scope of practice.

- d. AnnJane Kemon emailed the Board regarding dental hygienist's applying silver diamine fluoride and veering with glass ionomer interim restoration. The Board responded that this is not specifically addressed in the rules. There is no laundry list. The Board has decided to leave the rule open and not specifically approve this. It states that a dental hygienist is allowed to do what they have been trained to do, and is within their scope of practice.
 - e. Linda Greaves requested the Board review a revision drafted by the Office Oral Health team of general supervision for hygienist's in the public setting. Specifically, what was changes was the time frame of when a dentist is to review patient records. The Board stated that Rule 10.3 (5) states this must occur no less than once every 6 months.
8. Other:
- a. Draft rules for dental therapists – this was tabled until the Board's next meeting.
 - b. Review of a proposed amendment for statute changes for 26 V.S.A. Section 602 by adding (c) and (d). This was tabled until the Board's next meeting.
 - c. Sarah Schmitt submitted an application for local anesthesia endorsement. The Board needs additional documentation to determine if the educational requirement has been met. It is requesting that she submit documentation to clarify her block training and that she submit documentation of the courses she has taught. The Board did determine that even if it is found that the education component has been met, she will still be required to successfully complete the NERB local anesthesia examination.
 - d. Dr. Theberge and Ms. Buell, reported to the Board on the CDCA annual meeting and the issues that were discussed there that impact the Board.
 - e. Dr. Baasch updated/reported on registering/certifying dental offices that provide different levels of sedation/anesthesia.
 - f. Dr. Theberge requested that the Jurisprudence Examinations be reviewed and updated at the Board's next meeting.
 - g. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2017.
9. Public Comment
10. The Board adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Diane Lafaille, Licensing Board Specialist