

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
September 13, 2017 MEETING

Present: David Baasch, Gerald Theberge, Elizabeth Merrill, Robert Ruhl, William Koch, Jennie Kendall, and Randy Miller. Absent: Sally Buell, Kathrine Silloway, Mimi Kevan and Dixie Vallie; Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: S. Lauren Hibbert, Gabriel Gilman, Carla Preston, and Diane Lafaille; Others present: Ellen Grimes, Robin Miller, Joy Dubin Grossman, and Cheyanne Warren.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.
2. The minutes of the August 9, 2017 meeting were approved as written.
3. Case Manager's Report:

The Board has 56 pending cases. 2 are on hold, 15 the Investigative Team has recommended closure, 1 case is in intake, 9 are ready for Investigative Team meetings, 13 are with investigators and 16 are pending charges.
4. Hearings:

John Hirce M2016-65 (2015-368) Order to Remove Conditions – Ms. Kendall moved to go into executive session, seconded by Ms. Merrill. Approved.

Dr. Ruhl moved, seconded by Ms. Merrill, to remove the conditions. Approved.
5. Correspondence:
 - a. Robin Miller emailed the Board asking that the Board consider a requirement for a course in dental infection control as part of the licensure and registration renewal. The Board will discuss this further during the rule making process.
6. Other:
 - a. Dr. Peter Abell submitted his renewal with documentation showing he had met the 100 hour continuation credit requirement to renew. Ms. Kendall moved, seconded by Dr. Koch, to approval renewal of his license. Approved.
 - b. Dr. Nevin Zablotzky submitted his renewal with documentation showing that he had met the continuing education requirement through his teaching. Dr. Miller moved, seconded by Dr. Koch, to approve renewal of his license. Approved.
 - c. The Board reviewed and revised a dental assisting jurisprudence examination and the dental hygiene jurisprudence examination.
 - d. Elections were held:

Dr. Baasch nominated Dr. Theberge for Chair, seconded by Ms. Kendall. Approved.

Dr. Miller nominated Dr. Ruhl for Vice-Chair, seconded by Ms. Kendall. Approved.

Ms. Kendall nominated Ms. Vallie for Secretary, seconded by Dr. Miller, Approved.

- e. The Board worked on re-drafting of rules.
 - f. New anesthesia guidelines – Members of the Board will meet with the subcommittee at 3:30 p.m.
 - g. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2017.
- 7. Public Comment
 - 8. The Board adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Diane Lafaille, Licensing Board Specialist