

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
NOVEMBER 18, 2009 MEETING**

Present John Lavoie, Chair, Edward Pantzar, John Langfeldt, Raymond McCandless, Katherine Silloway, Linda Retchin, Gertrude Hodge and Richard Dickinson. Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: Larry Novins and Diane Lafaille; Others: Peter Taylor, David Averill, Diane Peterson, Kristin Marie Fox and Rebecca MacDonald.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.
2. The minutes of the October 14, 2009 meeting were approved with minor corrections.
3. Hearings/Stipulations/Closing Reports
 - A. 2009-176 Valerie Mason – Default Judgment – Dr. Lavoie moved, seconded by Dr. Dickinson, to hold Ms. Mason in default. Dr. Langfeldt moved, seconded by Ms. Retchin, to revoke registration. Approved.
 - B. M2009-176 2008-188 – Kristin Marie Fox – Petition for Reinstatement – Dr. Pantzar moved, seconded by Dr. Dickinson, to accept the petition for reinstatement. Approved.
 - C. 1009-466 – Dr. Silloway presented this case for closure. Approved.
4. Other
 - A. Director Christopher Winters came to speak with the Board regarding the reconfiguration of the Board. Director Winters will draft a letter to Legislature. The Board requested that it receive a copy of this letter.
 - B. Julia Solookio of Oral Health Enrichment came before the Board to hold a presentation of how this organization can be useful to Board to help dentists who have been sanctioned and are required to complete courses or a hands-on training. This will be discussed further at the Board's next meeting.
5. Old Business
 - A. Jurisprudence examination update – tabled until the Board's December meeting.
 - B. Template to use when setting up conditions in a Stipulation and Consent Order – tabled until the Board's December meeting. The Board would like Gregg Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney to be part of the discussion when reviewing this.
 - C. AAOMR letter regarding CBCT. The Board has not addressed this by Vermont law and the Board has not taken a position on this.
 - D. Judi Wilson submitted a letter regarding IV star ts by surgical assistants. She asked if assistants needed to take a class or is in-house training by the oral surgeons sufficient. The Board referred her to Section 129a Unprofessional Conduct(a)(6), which states in part, "...the following conduct by a licensee

constitutes unprofessional conduct... (6) Delegating professional responsibilities to a person whom the licensed professional knows, or has reason to know, is not qualified by training, experience, education or licensing credentials to perform them.”

- E. Revision of Section 810 Renewal of license. Attorney Novins presented the Board with a draft, which the Board updated.
- 6. New Business
 - A. Teresa Peavy submitted a Survey on Universal Continuing Education Certificate. She asked if this Board would be interested in seeing a universal continuing education certificate, approved by both the AGD Program Approval for Continuing Education and the American Dental Association Continuing Education Recognition Program. The Board responded that they would not be interested in seeing this happen.
 - B. NERB submitted a letter on the administration of injectable local anesthetic by a dental hygienist. The Board referred them to the Board rules regarding the administration of local anesthesia.
 - C. Dr. Catherine Cech sent the Board a letter asking if it could waive the 6 month requirement for allowing an assistant to take a radiology course. Board rules do not state when one can take the radiology course. Rule 7.13(c) states that one has to have documented six months lawful employment as a dental assistant before they can request to have their radiology privileges placed on their registration and take x-rays. The Board cannot waive this requirement. The assistant will need to register with the Board once they have 6 months of lawful employment as a dental assistant.
 - D. Beth Ladde e-mailed the Board asking if their program at Center for Technology, Essex, offered a mouth guard clinic, if she as a dental assisting instructor facilitate and supervise the clinic or would need a dentist supervision. The Board advised that a Vermont licensed dentist would need to be present.

7. Miscellaneous

The Board will not be holding a meeting in January 2010.

8. Public Comment

9. The Board adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Diane Lafaille

