

**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
APRIL 8, 2009 MEETING**

Present John Langfeldt, Chair, Raymond McCandless, John Lavoie, Katherine Silloway, Gertrude Hodge, Linda Retchin, Rena Chernick, Edward Pantzar and Richard Dickinson. Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: Larry Novins, Rita Knapp and Diane Lafaille; Others: Ellen Grimes, Donna Pinard-Hayes and Peter Taylor.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m.
2. The minutes of the March 11, 2009 meeting were approved as written.
3. Old Business
 - A. Dr. Dickinson moved, seconded by Dr. Lavoie, to change Rule 4.2(d)(3) to read that all exams: CRDTS, CITA, SRTA and WREB be accepted as meeting the criteria for licensure without the written portion of ADLEX. Approved. Attorney Novins will draft the changes for proposed rules. There was also discussion on other changes to the Board's rules. Any changes made to the rules or statutes should be sent to Kevin Kelly and Senator Jane Kitchel.
 - B. The Dental Hygiene Jurisprudence examination will be updated. Ms. Retchin, Ms. Chernick and Dr. Lavoie will serve on a sub-committee to review the current draft and bring changes/additions/corrections back to the Board at its May meeting.
4. Closing Reports/Complaint Discussion
 - A. DE13-0208—Dr. Dickinson presented this case for closure. Dr. Pantzar moved, seconded by Dr. Silloway, to close this case. Approved.
 - B. DE01-0708—Dr. Pantzar presented this case for closure. Dr. Dickinson moved, seconded by Ms. Chernick, to close this case. Approved.
 - C. DE01-0707—Dr. Dickinson presented this case for closure. Ms. Retchin moved, seconded by Ms. Chernick, to close this case. Approved.
 - D. The Board discussed past Stipulations and Consent Orders. The Board wants to be sure when a Stipulation and Consent Order is drafted, if it has a Medical Protocol, that the qualifications of the person assigned as the surgical supervisor be defined in any future Orders. The Board would like to see a template drafted when setting up these conditions. This template will then be given to the Prosecuting Attorney to use when drafting a Stipulation and Consent Order. Ms. Knapp will draft a template for Board review.
5. New Business
 - A. Ellen Grimes wrote the Board concerning the word "ing/answers of certain questions on the dental hygiene local anesthesia examination. Dr. Lavoie, Dr. Pantzar, Ms. Chernick and Ms. Retchin will serve on a sub-committee.

- B. Novalars submitted a letter to the Board regarding the administration of OraVerse by dental hygienists in Vermont. The Board responded that in order for this to be utilized by dental hygienists in Vermont, it would require a Statute change to Section 854(b) and (c).
- C. Dr. James Gold submitted a e-mail to the Board regarding dental hygiene pro bono licensure and local anesthesia administration under direct supervision for dental hygiene purposes only. Dr. Gold asked what wordings should be used in submitting Legislation for pro-bono licensure of dental hygienists. The Board suggests that the wording that is currently in Section 805(b) for pro-bono licensure of dentists be used. The Board is not convinced that a statutory change regarding dental hygienists and the administration of local anesthesia is necessary at this time, however, the Board is in the process of reviewing all statutes and will consider his proposal in this review.
6. Other
- A. The Board reviewed a letter from Kevin Kelly, Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley regarding the Dental Board updating the licensure requirements to be more in line with other New England states.
- B. Senator Jane Kitchel sent the Board a letter regarding their work to review and revise the current Vermont dental license application requirements and how this is appreciated.
7. Miscellaneous
- A. Marilyn Ward, DDS of Discus Dental wrote the Board regarding Mail Teeth Whitening/Unlicensed Practice of Dentistry. This was noted by the Board.
8. The Board adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Diane Lafaille