

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
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UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
January 10, 2018 MEETING

Present: Gerald Theberge, Robert Ruhl, Sally Buell, Elizabeth Merrill, William Koch, Jennie Kendall, and Randall Miller. Absent: Mimi Kevan, Dixie Vallie and David Baasch; Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: Gabriel Gilman and Diane Lafaille; Others present: Ellen Grimes, Vaughn Collin and Falko Schilling.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.
2. The minutes of the November 8, 2017 meeting were approved as written.
3. Case Manager's Report: This was tabled.
4. Correspondence:
 - a. Lynda Ulrich submitted an email to the Board regarding x-rays of dental assistants and the six month requirement to be registered before taking x-rays. The Board states that it is up to the school to determine when one can enroll to take an x-ray course. Board rules however require that one needs to complete an ADA accredited course and be registered by the Board for 6 months before they are able to take x-rays in the dental office. Or, if one is licensed or registered in another state and taking x-rays, verification of the completion of an ADA accredited course and verification from that state or a letter from the out of state supervising dentist stating that the individual has been taking x-rays for six months would be accepted.
 - b. Karissa Provost emailed the Board asking if a dental assistant or a hygienist can treat family members. The Statutes and Rules do not address this.
 - c. Whitney Deming emailed the Board asking how often a dental patient needs to physically write on a medical history. The Statutes and Rules do not address this.
 - d. Jen from the office of John Liscio emailed the Board asking for a list of the required emergency drugs with the proper quantities they should have in the office. The Board responded that appropriate reversal drugs are a standard-of-care issue, so one will not find specific guidance on required drug compounds or quantities in our laws and rules. Each practitioner needs to rely on his or her own training and review of authoritative literature. They may want to refer to Board Rule 5.13 and may want to contact ADA or VSDS to see if they can provide guidance.
 - e. Glenn Nesbit submitted an email asking if Nesbit partials are allowed. The Statutes and Rules do not address this.
5. Other:
 - a. Statutory changes for Title 3 regarding foreign trained dentists was discussed. The Board would like for this to be reworded. Attorney Gilman will make these changes.
 - b. ADEX House of Representatives Member to represent the Board. Dr. Miller moved, seconded by Ms. Kendall, to keep Dr. John Lavoie as the board's representative. Approved.

- c. 2018 Mid-Year Tooth Tutor Meeting has been approved for 3 continuing education credits.
 - d. The Board tabled working on the draft rules.
 - e. New anesthesia guidelines – Members of the Board will meet with the subcommittee at a future date.
 - f. The Board's next meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2018.
6. Public Comment
7. The Board adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Diane Lafaille, Licensing Board Specialist