

**OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
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**APPROVED MINUTES OF THE
VERMONT BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
MARCH 14, 2012 MEETING**

Present: Richard Dickinson, Chair, Katherine Silloway, Raymond McCandless, Joanne Bugbee, Gertrude Hodge, Edward Pantzar, Randall Miller, John Lavoie, John Langfeldt and Jennie Reed;
Absent: Dixie Vallie; Office of Professional Regulation Personnel: Larry Novins, Peter Comart, Carla Preston, and Diane Lafaille; Others: Chloe Budnick.

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.
2. The minutes of the February 8, 2012 meeting were approved with a minor correction.
3. Hearings/Stipulations/Closing Reports/Removals/Case Manager's Report:

M2011-89 – William McDonald, DMD – Request for removal of conditions – Dr. Langfeldt moved, seconded by Dr. Silloway, to remove the conditions from Dr. McDonald's license. Approved.

20-10-584 – Dr. Peter Gray – A hearing was held. The Board dismissed the charges.

Closing Reports:

2010-670 – Dr. Silloway presented this case for closure. Dr. Langfeldt moved, seconded by Ms. Bugbee, to close this case. Approved. Dr. Pantzar abstained from voting.

2011-378 – Dr. Dickinson presented this case for closure. Dr. Langfeldt moved, seconded by Dr. Lavoie, to close this case. Approved.

2011-458 – Dr. Silloway presented this case for closure. Ms. Reed moved, seconded by Dr. Miller, to close this case. Approved.

2011-815 and 2011-849 – Ms. Bugbee presented these cases for closure. Dr. Langfeldt moved, seconded by Mr. McCandless, to close these cases. Approved.

2011-279 – Dr. Silloway presented this case for closure. Dr. Lavoie moved, seconded by Ms. Bugbee, to close this case. Approved.

2011-820 – Dr. Miller presented this case for closure. Dr. Langfeldt moved, seconded by Dr. Lavoie, to close this case. Approved.

4. New Business

- A. Dr. Gerard Stratthaus sent the Board an e-mail regarding setting up a Mobile Dental Unit. Chloe Budnick spoke to the Board regarding this. The Board explained that it is up to the dentist to decide if they can provide dental services and meet the acceptable standards of practice within the profession.
- B. Bernadette Johnson, RDH, wrote the Board requesting continuing education credits for attending large dental conventions. Specifically, attendance credits. The Board stated that attendance credits do not meet the requirements and cannot be used for continuing education credits.
- C. Alicia Willette e-mailed the Board stating their office just purchased a diode laser and was trying to determine if hygienists are able to use the laser for treatment of periodontal pockets and other minor procedures that do not involve permanently altering any dental tissues. The Board refers her to Section 129 (a) (13) of the statutes.
- D. Dr. Derek Cimler applied for licensure on the basis of PGY. He has not yet been licensed for 5 years. Once he is he is eligible for licensure. He would at this time need to submit to the Board a letter stating that he has been in active practice full time of at least 1,200 hour per year for a minimum of five years. He will also be required to have official verification of licensure resubmitted at this time.

5. The Board adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
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