



Board of Dental Examiners

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Approved Meeting Minutes

Remote Meeting

Wednesday, August 11th, 2021 at 9:00a.m.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 A.M., by Dr. Ruhl

Members Present: Robert Ruhl, William Koch, Elizabeth Merrill, David Baasch, Lucille Kelly, Cheryl Ullman and Mimi Kevan.

Members Absent: Randall Miller & Linda Greaves.

OPR Personnel Present: Gabriel Gilman, General Counsel; Corey Young, Licensing Administrator; and Elizabeth Kneen, Docket Clerk.

Guests: Patrick Gallivan, Diane Dumas, Heather Blair, Leslie Hills, John Lavoie and Debora Teixeira

2. Approval of Previous Minutes:

Dr. Koch moved to approve the minutes of July 14th, 2021 as presented. Ms. Merrill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Discipline:

- a. Default Order: *In re: Karen Valach – Docket no. 2021-19*

Ms. Kevan moved to accept the order as presented. Ms. Kelly seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

4. Other Business:

- a. ADEX meeting report – Dr. John Lavoie
- Dr. Lavoie updated the Board of the recent ADEX meeting.
 - Dr. Baasch moved to nominate Linda Retchin, RDH to represent Vermont/district 10 at the annual ADEX meeting. Dr. Ullman seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.
- b. RDH's to use dental lasers

5. Adjournment:

After inviting public comment, Dr. Ruhl adjourned the meeting at 9:27am.

Next Scheduled Meeting – Wednesday, September 8th, 2021

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