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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

July 16, 2021

Anesthesia and Sedation Committee Meeting

On the aforementioned date, members of the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners’ (“Board”) Anesthesia and Sedation Committee (“Committee”) held a meeting at the Board’s office, in Boardroom A, 1740 West Adams Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. The meeting was also held virtually and telephonically due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Committee did not meet in executive session.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

<i>Anthony Herro, DDS</i>	Chairperson and Board Member
Lisa B. Bienstock, DMD	Board Member
<i>Edward H. Christensen, DDS</i>	Board Member
Ali Baghai, CRNA	Committee Member
Randall J. Balzic, DDS	Public Committee Member
<i>Jason W. Brady, DMD</i>	Public Committee Member
X Jeffrey N. Brownstein, DDS	Public Committee Member
<i>Jonathan Jerman, MD</i>	Public Committee Member
Randall Lout, DDS	Public Committee Member
<i>Heath Snell, DDS</i>	Public Committee Member
X Absent	
<i>Committee members in italics participated in-person</i>	

STAFF AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY(S) GENERAL PRESENT

<i>Ryan P. Edmonson</i>	Executive Director
<i>Kristina C. Gomez</i>	Deputy Director
<i>Seth Hargraves, Esq</i>	Assistant Attorney General
<i>Sherrie Biggs</i>	Assistant Deputy Director
<i>Sussie Adams</i>	Program Projects Specialist
Jessica Thomas	Rules Administrator

Staff members in italics participated in-person

GUESTS PARTICIPATING AND/OR PRESENT

Matthew Arnall, DDS	Guest Speaker
Anthony Caputo, DDS	Guest Speaker
Andrew "Andy" Ray, DDS	President, Society of Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 2:36 p.m. by Dr. Herro. Roll call of the committee members was taken and a quorum was established.

II. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No individuals addressed the Committee.

III. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

A. Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the June 15, 2021 committee meeting

Board staff informed the Committee that the Open Session Minutes from the June 15, 2021 committee meeting were not available for review.

IV. NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING (“NPR”)

The Committee discussed drafting language to regulate non-dentist anesthesia providers based on language used by other States such as California. Mr. Hargraves indicated that the Dental Board does not have the authority to regulate non-dentist anesthesia providers. In addition, Ms. Thomas commented that from a rulemaking standpoint, there has to be statutory authority in order to make rules. The Committee further discussed whether it would be beneficial to propose a rule change for live patient evaluations and site evaluations. Dr. Caputo addressed the Committee to request clarification and stated that part of the evaluation is to ensure that staff are functioning members of the team for adverse occurrence situations.

The Committee proceeded to discuss pediatric designation for dental sedation permits. As part of the discussion, the Committee considered requiring proof of completing training and cases of patients within a certain amount of years following the date of the last permit. Mr. Ray addressed the Committee to express his opinion against any kind of pediatric designation and commented that patient safety lies on patient selection. The Committee discussed the age group for pediatric patients and concurred to continue consideration at the next meeting.

V. AMERICAN SOCIETY OF DENTIST ANESTHESIOLOGISTS’ (“ASDA”) PROPOSED STATE SEDATION/GENERAL ANESTHESIA RULES

The Committee reviewed ASDA’s proposed sedation/general anesthesia rules.

VI. REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE MISSISSIPPI STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

The Committee reviewed statutes and rules adopted by the Mississippi State Board of Dental Examiners regarding anesthesia & sedation.

VII. STUDY/REVIEW OF ADVERSE OCCURRENCE REPORTS

The Committee members reviewed the adverse occurrence reports.

VIII. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Dr. Herro informed the Committee that Mr. Goodman stepped down as a committee member.

IX. DISCUSSION REGARDING FUTURE MEETINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

Mr. Edmonson stated that the Board is working to establish an investigative committee. Dr. Arnall addressed the Committee and stated that the Arizona Society of Dentist Anesthesiologists supports the idea of permitting non-dentist providers with the 1304 Permit and commented that it should have identical requirements as the 1301 Permit. Dr. Arnall further expressed support of the pediatric endorsement.

X. NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

A. August 17, 2021

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Baghai moved to adjourn.

Second: Dr. Blazic

Vote: 8-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.