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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

August 2, 2022

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 virtual/telephonic meeting. The Committee did not meet in executive session.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

	Anthony Herro, DDS	Chairperson and Board Member
X	Lisa B. Bienstock, DMD	Board Member
	Ali Baghai, CRNA	Committee Member
	Edward H. Christensen, DDS	Board Member
	Randall J. Balzic, DDS	Public Committee Member
	Jason W. Brady, DMD	Public Committee Member
🕒	Jeffrey N. Brownstein, DDS	Public Committee Member
	Jonathan Jerman, MD	Public Committee Member
X	Randall Lout, DDS	Public Committee Member
	Heath Snell, DDS	Public Committee Member
X	Absent	
🕒	Joined the meeting as denoted in the body of the minutes	

STAFF AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY(S) GENERAL PRESENT

Ryan P. Edmonson	Executive Director
Kristina Gomez	Deputy Director
Mary D. Williams, Esq	Assistant Attorney General
Sherrie Biggs	Assistant Deputy Director
Sussie Adams	Program Projects Specialist
Jessica Thomas	Rules Administrator
Yazmin Bustamante	Executive Assistant

GUESTS PARTICIPATING AND/OR PRESENT

Matthew Arnall	Guest
Bradley Sandvik	Guest
Anthony Caputo	Guest
Kenneth Reed	Guest

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 2:32 p.m. by Dr. Herro. Roll call of the committee members was taken and a quorum was established.

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

A. Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the May 3, 2022 committee meeting.

Motion: Dr. Herro moved to approve the Open Session Minutes from the May 3, 2022 committee meeting.

Second: Mr. Baghai

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

III. NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING (“NPR”)

The Committee considered adding language relating to malignant hyperthermia (MH).

Dr. Brownstein joined the meeting at 2:43 p.m.

After further discussion, the Committee concurred to discuss MH at a future meeting. The Committee proceeded to review Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) R4-11-701 pertaining to procedures and functions performed by a Dental Assistant under supervision. Dr. Blazic suggested creating a role for an assistant who understands proper monitoring of a patient, can maintain an airway, can assist in case of an emergency, can draw up medications that may be needed in an emergency or start IV. Dr. Blazic further informed the Committee that there are thirteen other states that have an official designation of a surgical anesthesia assistant in their statutes. During discussion, Ms. Williams clarified that in order to add a training requirement the Committee would need to recommend that the Board pursue a statutory change.

The Committee proceeded to review R4-11-1302 pertaining to Moderate Sedation. Dr. Arnall addressed the Committee and commented that the point of having a pediatric endorsement is to have reasonable limits for who can treat pediatric patients under any level of sedation. Dr. Caputo also addressed the Committee and stated that there is a significant difference between doing oral moderate sedation vs. IV moderate sedation for pediatric patients and requested that the Committee maintain some appreciation for the difference between an oral sedation approach vs. an IV sedation approach. After consideration, the Committee continued to review the requirements to obtain a 1302 Permit. During review of Subsection D, the Committee discussed bidirectional verbal communication to monitor patients. In addition, the Committee considered requiring a properly operating pretracheal stethoscope, precordial stethoscope, or end tidal capnography.

Motion: Dr. Herro moved to include the three types of ventilation monitors under subsection D.

Second: Dr. Blazic

Vote: 7-aye, 1-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 2-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Snell voted against the motion.

The Committee proceeded to review CE requirements for a 1302 Permit holder. Dr. Sandvik commented that many applicants that are graduating are grossly underprepared and expressed concern for the kind of CE courses applicants are getting. The Committee considered discussing approved courses at a future meeting.

The Committee proceeded to review mobile permit requirements for a 1302 Permit holder. During discussion, the Committee considered clarifying language to issue a mobile permit to an applicant that provides a signed affidavit verifying compliance and ultimately agreed to continue discussion at the next meeting. The Committee also concurred to review subsection G and address sedation record entries at the next meeting.

IV. ANESTHESIA ASSISTANTS

The Committee discussed this matter during agenda item III.

V. DENTAL ASSISTANTS

The Committee discussed this matter during agenda item III.

VI. AGENCY SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT

There was no discussion.

VII. ANESTHESIA AND INTRAVENOUS SEDATION COMMITTEE

There was no discussion.

VIII. STUDY/REVIEW OF ADVERSE OCCURRENCE REPORTS

There was no discussion.

IX. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

There was no discussion.

X. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS

There was no discussion.

XI. NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE(S)

1. September 16, 2022
2. October 4, 2022
3. November 1, 2022
4. December 9, 2022

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Dr. Blazic moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

Second: Dr. Herro

Vote: 8-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 2-absent. Motion passed.