



# Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners

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## OPEN SESSION MINUTES

**January 24, 2023**

### **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
	Lisa B. Bienstock, DMD	Board Member
	Ali Baghai, CRNA	Committee Member
	Edward H. Christensen, DDS	Board Member
X	Randall J. Blazic, DDS	Public Committee Member
	Jason W. Brady, DMD	Public Committee Member
X	Jeffrey N. Brownstein, DDS	Public Committee Member
	Jonathan Jerman, MD	Public Committee Member
	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
Seamus Monaghan, 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**

Anthony Caputo	Guest
Matthew Arnall	Guest
Michael MacKinnon	Guest
Joseph Rodriguez	Guest
Kelsey Lindley	Guest
Jeremy Bonander	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 December 13, 2022 committee meeting.

**Motion:** Dr. Herro moved to approve the Open Session Minutes from the December 13, 2022 committee meeting.

**Second:** Dr. Lout

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

**III. NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING (“NPR”)**

The Committee reviewed A.A.C. R4-11-1304 related to a permit holder's ability to employ or work with an anesthesia or sedation provider. During discussion, Dr. Caputo provided the Committee a historical overview of dental permits. The Committee proceeded to discuss the regulatory oversight of non-dental anesthesia providers and considered that eliminating the 1304 Permit would cause an access to care issue. Dr. Arnall addressed the Committee and commented that the general dentist may not know the reporting requirements and stated that CRNA’s are not required to report adverse occurrences to the Dental Board. Dr. Arnall further stated that the Dental Board should have regulatory oversight for what happens at a dental office. In addition, Mr. Rodriguez informed the committee that other states have inter-committees. The Committee took guest’s suggestions into consideration and further discussed the matter. The consensus of the Committee was to not restrict the ability of a CRNA or non-dental provider to provide care at a dental office. Dr. Caputo suggested that the Committee draft a list of requirements that would create a safe practice in order for a dentist to work with a non-dental provider. In addition, to ensure that dentists know what level of responsibility they are accountable for. After consideration, the Committee concurred to continue the review of R4-11-1304 at the next meeting.

**IV. AGENCY SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT**

The Committee reviewed substantive policy statement no. 28 related to competency case requirements for renewal of sedation permits and concurred to recommend that the Board consider repealing it at its next board meeting.

**V. STUDY/REVIEW OF ADVERSE OCCURRENCE REPORTS**

There was no discussion.

**VI. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

None were discussed.

**VII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS**

None.

**VIII. NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE(S)**

A. April 11, 2023

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Herro adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.