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OPEN SESSION MINUTES

April 11, 2025

Board Meeting

On the aforementioned date, members of the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners’ (“Board”) held a board meeting at the Board’s office, in Boardroom A, 1740 West Adams Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. The meeting was also held virtually and telephonically. The Board met in executive session during its consideration of agenda items V.A.2, V.B.3, V.D.1 and V.D.3 as stated herein.

BOARD MEMBERS

X	Anthony Herro, DDS	President and Licensed Dentist Member
	<i>Lisa B. Bienstock, DMD</i>	Vice-President and Licensed Dentist Member
	<i>Mary T. Rossi</i>	Business Entity Member
	<i>Edward H. Christensen, DDS</i>	Licensed Dentist Member
	Aditya Dynar	Public Member
	Tamer El-Gendy, DMD	Licensed Dentist Member
X	Nick Goodman	Public Member
	<i>Jaselyn K. Karmo, RDH</i>	Licensed Hygienist Member
	<i>Russell Jeffrey Morrow, DDS</i>	Licensed Dentist Member
	<i>Vicki B. Penna, RDH</i>	Licensed Hygienist Member
X	Leslie D. Seaman, DDS	Licensed Dentist Member
	Joined/deperted as denoted in the body of the minutes	
X	Absent	
	<i>Board members in italics participated in-person</i>	

STAFF AND ASSISTANT ATTORNEY(S) GENERAL PRESENT

<i>Kristina C. Gomez</i>	Deputy Director
<i>Seamus Monaghan, Esq.</i>	Assistant Attorney General
<i>Julie Cutler, DMD</i>	Deputy Chief Investigator
<i>Sherrie Biggs</i>	Assistant Deputy Director
<i>April Romero</i>	Chief Compliance Officer
<i>Jessica Solis</i>	Compliance Officer
<i>Yazmin Bustamante</i>	Executive Assistant

Staff members in italics participated in-person

GUESTS PARTICIPATING AND/OR PRESENT

Jeffery J. Tonner, Esq.	Attorney for Respondents
S.M.	Complainant

James Chaffin	Respondent
Lynette Odom, Esq.	Attorney for Respondents
Calvin Brown Jr.	Respondent
Deborah Kappes	Guest
Jessie Armendt	Guest
Frederick Cummings, Esq.	Attorney for Respondent
Shandy Condie	Respondent
Mandi Karvis, Esq.	Attorney for Respondent
Martin Sobieraj	Respondent
M.P.	Complainant
Amber Dresslar, Esq.	Attorney for Respondents
Jose Alfredo Soto	Respondent
Blake Austin	Respondent
C.P.	Complainant
Arthur Porter	Respondent
Dan Boboia	Guest
Randall Lout	Guest
Christopher Epperson	Respondent
Leanne Hay, Esq.	Attorney for Respondent
Manu Arora	Respondent
Kristi Deela	Guest
Kathy Cilia	Guest
Derick Runion	Guest

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Dr. Bienstock called the Board's meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. Roll call of the Board members was taken and a quorum was established.

II. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – A.R.S. § 38-503

Dr. Bienstock declared conflicts of interest with agenda item nos. IV.C.18, V.A.1 and VII.

Ms. Penna declared a conflict of interest with agenda item no. IV.C.17.

Dr. Morrow declared conflicts of interest with agenda item nos. IV.C.19, V.D.1, V.D.2, V.D.3, V.D.4, V.D.5, V.D.7 and V.D.9.

Dr. El-Gendy declared conflicts of interest with agenda item nos. IV.C.8, IV.C.10, V.A.1, V.B.1, V.H.1 and V.H.2.

Ms. Rossi declared a conflict of interest with agenda item no. IV.C.5.

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

A. Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the February 28, 2025 board meeting.

B. Discussion and approval of the Executive Session Minutes from the February 28, 2025 board meeting.

C. Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the March 7, 2025 special board meeting.

Audio Start Time: 0:3:35

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to approve the minutes from the February 28, 2025 and March 7, 2025 board meetings.

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

IV. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Application(s) for Licensing of Dentist(s) or Hygienist(s) – A.R.S. §§ 32-1231 et seq. and 32-1281 et. seq. respectively

1. Messenger, Eugene E., DDS (*by Credentials*)

B. Termination of Board Orders(s)/Consent Agreements(s)

1. 202300210; Henderson, Harold
2. 202300215; Zargar, Andre
3. 202300258 & 202300260; Lu, Constant
4. 202400136; Couser, Blaine

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Dismissal

1. 202400322; Caparas, Michael
2. 202400324; Ashtiani, Mark
3. 202400326; Saghafi, Negin
4. 202400342; Okun, Amy
- ~~5. 202400361; Kim, Sean~~
6. 202400386; Manesh, Peter
7. 202400396; Leonard, De'Shondra
- ~~8. 202400427; Benting, Douglas~~
9. 202400430; Call, Brent
- ~~10. 202400436; Brady, Chadwick~~
11. 202400445; Bond, David
12. 202400446; Thomas, Kyle
13. 202400461; Bethers, Brent
14. 202400468-MP; Baker, Nathan
15. 202400469; Patel, Vineet
16. 202400470; Campbell, Jordan
- ~~17. 202400501; Dawood, Revan~~
- ~~18. 202400508; Pierse, Joseph~~
- ~~19. 202400509; Amini, Azadeh~~
20. 202400510; Fairchild, Carl
21. 202400511; McLaughlin, Michael

D. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for a Letter of Concern

- ~~1. 202400313; Bedoya, Manuel~~
2. 202400400; Perna, Salvatore

Audio Start Time: 0:05:15

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to approve the consent agenda with recommendations as listed with the exception of cases IV.C.5, IV.C.8, IV.C.10, IV.C.17, IV.C.18, IV.C.19 and D.1.

Second: Dr. Morrow

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Dismissal

5. 202400361; Kim, Sean

Audio Start Time: 0:06:50

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to accept the recommendation for dismissal of case IV.C.5.

Second: Dr. Morrow

Vote: 6-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

Ms. Rossi was recused and did not participate in the matter.

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Dismissal

8. 202400427; Benting, Douglas
and

10. 202400436; Brady, Chadwick

Audio Start Time: 0:07:12

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to accept the recommendation for dismissal of cases IV.C.8 and IV.C.10.

Second: Dr. Morrow

Vote: 6-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. El-Gendy was recused and did not participate in the matter.

Dr. Christensen joined the meeting at 8:10 am.

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Dismissal

17. 202400501; Dawood, Revan,

19. 202400509; Amini, Azadeh

and

D. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for a Letter of Concern

1. 202400313; Bedoya, Manuel

Audio Start Time: 0:07:50

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to accept the recommendations for cases IV.C.17, IV.C.19 and IV.D.1.

Second: Mr. Dynar

Vote: 6-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 2-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow and Ms. Penna were recused and did not participate in the matter.

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Dismissal

18. 202400508; Pierse, Joseph

Audio Start Time: 0:08:40

Motion: Ms. Penna moved to accept the recommendation for dismissal of case IV.C.18.

Second: Mr. Dynar

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Bienstock was recused and did not participate in the matter.

V. **ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

A. Initial Review

1. L.B.

Audio Start Time: 0:09:30

Motion: Ms. Penna moved to not re-open the investigation based on the new information presented.

Second: Dr. Chrisensen

Vote: 6-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 2-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Bienstock and Dr. El-Gendy were recused and did not participate in the matter.

2. J.J.

Audio Start Time: 0:16:25

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved for the Board to enter into executive session for agenda item nos. V.A.2 and V.B.3 to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

Second: Dr. Morrow

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

The Board entered into executive session at 8:17 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 8:36 a.m.

No legal action was taken by the Board during executive session.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to not take action because Maricopa County is already taking care of the matter and there is no concern for public safety.

Second: Dr. Morrow

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

B. Review of Investigation(s)

1. 202400346; Bedoya, Manuel

Audio Start Time: 0:36:15

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to issue a letter of concern for recordkeeping.

Second: Dr. Bienstock

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. El-Gendy was recused and did not participate in the matter.

2. 202400347; Bui, Long

Audio Start Time: 0:39:15

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to rescind the previous order that was issued.

Second: Ms. Penna

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

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to amend the order to remove the eight hours of CE in local anesthetics and strike language regarding the local anesthetic dosage. Once amended, to reoffer the disciplinary consent agreement for violations of A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(14) and (24).

Second: Dr. Christensen

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

3. 202500047; Porter, Nathan

Audio Start Time: 0:53:40

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to issue a non-disciplinary order, requiring the completion of 3 hours of CE in ethics for failure to report a charge.

Second: Dr. El-Gendy

Vote: 3-aye, 5-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. Motion failed.

Dr. Christensen, Mr. Dynar, Dr. El-Gendy, Ms. Karmo and Ms. Penna voted against the motion.

Motion: Dr. Christensen moved to issue a letter of concern for failure to report a charge within 10 days.

Second: Ms. Karmo

Vote: 6-aye, 2-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Dynar and Ms. Rossi voted against the motion.

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Issuance of a Non-Disciplinary Order for Continuing Education – A.R.S. § 32-1263.02(F)(3)

1. 202400292; Smallwood, Trent

Audio Start Time: 1:05:15

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to issue a letter of concern for supervised neglect.

Second: Dr. Bienstock

Vote: 2-aye, 6-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. Motion failed.

Dr. Bienstock, Dr. Christensen, Dr. El-Gendy, Ms. Karmo, Ms. Penna and Ms. Rossi voted against the motion.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to adopt violation of A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(14).

Second: Dr. Morrow

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

The Board inquired whether the respondent has had prior board action taken.

Motion: Ms. Karmo moved to issue a non-disciplinary order, requiring the completion of 4 hours of CE in diagnosis and treatment planning. The CE hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal and shall be completed within six months.

Second: Dr. Christensen

Vote: 4-aye, 4-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. Motion failed.

Dr. El-Gendy, Dr. Morrow, Ms. Penna and Ms. Rossi voted against the motion.

Motion: Ms. Karmo moved to issue a non-disciplinary order, requiring the completion of 4 hours of CE in diagnosis and treatment planning. The CE hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal and shall be completed within six months.

Second: Dr. Christensen

Vote: 5-aye, 3-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. El-Gendy, Ms. Penna and Ms. Rossi voted against the motion.

D. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for an Offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement

1. 202300341; Chaffin, James

Audio Start Time: 1:20:50

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved for the Board to enter into executive session to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

Second: Ms. Karmo

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

The Board entered into executive session at 9:49 a.m.

The Board returned to open session at 10:08 a.m.

No legal action was taken by the Board during executive session.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to adopt violations of A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(14), (23) and (24).

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 6-aye, 1-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Dynar voted against the motion and stated that he would not include A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(23) as a violation.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

The Board further discussed this case later in the meeting.

- 2. 202300488; Chaffin, James
and
- 4. 202400094; Chaffin, James

Audio Start Time: 2:26:40

The Board identified that Dr. Chaffin was not the treating dentist for this case.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to dismiss cases 2. 202300488 and 4. 202400094.

Second: Dr. Christensen

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

- 7. 202400297; Chaffin, James

Audio Start Time: 2:32:35

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to adopt violations of A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(14) and (24).

Second: Dr. Christensen

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to adopt the factual allegations discussed today, except for the unsubstantiated allegations.

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to offer a disciplinary consent agreement, requiring the completion of the PIP program, 16 hours of CE through the CRTDS Program in the areas of diagnosis and treatment planning, restoration and recordkeeping. The respondent has 30 days to sign the agreement. Staff is to confirm if restitution is needed. The agreement is based on the previously established violations, the discussion held during the meeting and the consultant report. The CE hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal and shall be completed within twelve months.

Second: Dr. El-Gendy

Vote: 5-aye, 2-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Dynar voted against the motion because he would downgrade it to non-disciplinary.

Ms. Karmo voted against the motion.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

1. 202300341; Chaffin, James

Audio Start Time: 3:12:15

Motion: Dr. El-Gendy moved to offer a disciplinary consent agreement, requiring the completion of 3 hours of CE in ethics and completion of the Arizona Jurisprudence. In addition, to impose a \$500 penalty for failure to comply with a subpoena. The agreement is based on the previously established violations, the discussion held during the meeting and the consultant report. The CE hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal and shall be completed within six months. The respondent has 30 days to sign the agreement.

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 5-aye, 2-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Dynar voted against the motion because he would be in favor of non-disciplinary action and is against the civil penalty.

Ms. Karmo voted against the motion.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to open cases against Drs. Barber, Kwon and Brown, based on the discussion held today.

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

The Board took a break from 11:28 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

Roll call of the Board members was taken and a quorum was established.

3. 202400011; Brown Jr., Calvin

Audio Start Time: 3:50:00

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved for the Board to enter into executive session to obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

Second: Dr. Christensen

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

The Board entered into executive session at 12:05 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 12:15 p.m.

No legal action was taken by the Board during executive session.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to adopt violations of A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(14), (23) and (24).

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 6-aye, 1-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Dynar voted against the motion because he would not include A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(23) as a violation.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

The Board inquired whether the respondent has had prior board action taken.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to offer a disciplinary consent agreement, requiring the completion of the PIP program and 4 hours in risk management. In addition, to order \$5,000 in restitution to the patient; based on the previously established violations, the discussion held during the meeting and the consultant report. The CE hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal and shall be completed within six months. The respondent has 30 days to sign the agreement.

Second: Ms. Rossi

Vote: 6-aye, 1-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Dynar voted against the motion.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

5. 202400181; Brown Jr., Calvin

Audio Start Time: 4:41:55

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to adopt violation of A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(14).

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 6-aye, 1-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Dynar voted against the motion.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to offer a disciplinary consent agreement to order up to \$1,800 in restitution to the patient for the lower arch based on the previously established violation, the discussion held during the meeting and the consultant report. Staff is to confirm the amount of restitution. The respondent has 30 days to sign the agreement and six months to pay restitution.

Second: Dr. El-Gendy

Vote: 6-aye, 1-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Mr. Dynar voted against the motion.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

XIII. ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE

Audio Start Time: 5:03:15

Ms. Kappes spoke on behalf of the ADHA and provided suggestions for the Board's consideration as it pertains to the new Oral Preventive Assistant

profession. In addition, Ms. Kappes requested that the Board send an informational bulletin to its licensed dental population. Ms. Armendt was also present and expressed support for Ms. Kappes' comments. The Board confirmed that the topic will be discussed in detail at the next scheduled meeting.

V. ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

D. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for an Offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement

6. 202400284; Condie, Shandy

Audio Start Time: 5:19:00

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to remand the case back to investigation.

Second: Dr. Christensen

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

8. 202400330; Sobieraj, Martin

Audio Start Time: 5:24:15

Mr. Dynar temporarily departed the meeting at 1:29 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to adopt violation of A.R.S. § 32-1201.01(14).

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

The Board inquired whether the respondent has had prior board action taken.

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to issue a non-disciplinary order, requiring the completion of 4 hours of CE in endo and 4 hours in fixed crown and bridge; based on the previously established violation, the discussion held during the meeting and the consultant report. The CE hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal and shall be completed within six months.

Second: Dr. Bienstock

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

9. 202500011; Soto, Jose Alfredo

Audio Start Time: 5:37:30

Motion: Dr. Christensen moved to dismiss the case.

Second: Dr. Bienstock

Vote: 6-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

E. Formal Interview(s)

1. 202300174 & 202300306; The B.L.H.G. Group

Audio Start Time: 5:44:15

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to remand the case back to investigation.

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

F. Adverse Occurrence Report and/or Self-Report Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3208 and/or 32-1272, et seq.

1. 202500049-AO

Audio Start Time: 5:59:40

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to open an investigation.

Second: Ms. Rossi

Dr. Bienstock rescinded the motion.

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to open an investigation.

Second: Ms. Rossi

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

2. 202500051-AO

Audio Start Time: 6:10:05

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to open an investigation.

Second: Dr. El-Gendy

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

G. Review Draft Board Order(s)/Consent Agreement(s)

1. 202400101; Porter, Arthur

Audio Start Time: 6:12:20

Mr. Dynar re-joined the meeting at 2:29 p.m.

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to rescind the offer of the disciplinary consent agreement and instead issue a non-disciplinary order requiring the completion of 4 hours of CE in endo and 3 hours in ethics; based on the new evidence presented and the discussion held during the meeting. The CE hours shall be in addition to the hours required for license renewal and shall be completed within six months.

Second: Dr. Christensen

Vote: 6-aye, 1-nay, 1-abstain, 0-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Ms. Penna voted against the motion.

Mr. Dynar abstained.

The Board took a break from 2:33 p.m. to 2:53 p.m.

Roll call of the Board members was taken and a quorum was established.

VII. SUBSTANCE ABUSE COMMITTEE PROPOSAL

Audio Start Time: 6:50:35

Dr. Boboia addressed the Board and discussed the intent of the proposed substance abuse committee. Dr. Lout also requested to speak and provided the Board with historic information of a wellbeing committee in the late 90s that was ultimately discontinued due to paperwork and budget cuts. Ms. Gomez informed the Board that establishing a new committee would require a legislative change and that new staff with specialized skills in finding grants and credentialing would need to be hired. After considering the information that was presented, the Board directed staff to investigate the possibility of creating the proposed subcommittee.

V. ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

H. Review of Compliance/Non Compliance for Consent Agreement(s)/Board Order(s)

1. 202300076; Epperson, Christopher
and
2. 202300133; Epperson, Christopher

Audio Start Time: 7:06:00

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to accept the CE that has been completed and terminate orders 202300076 and 202300133.

Second: Dr. Bienstock

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. El Gendy was recused and did not participate in the matter.

3. 202300427 & 202400022; Arora, Manu

Audio Start Time: 7:13:00

Motion: Ms. Penna moved to accept early termination of the agreement.

Second: Dr. Christensen

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 1-recuse, 3-absent. Motion passed.

Dr. Morrow was recused and did not participate in the matter.

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

The Board directed staff to agendize advertising for anesthesia services provided in the dental community regarding traveling CRNAs, Medical Anesthesiologists and Dental Anesthesiologists.

Dr. Christensen departed the meeting at 3:26 p.m.

The Board further directed staff to agendize a global conversation about CE provided to individuals coming in from out-of-state, specifically related to hands-on CE and patient care.

VI. AMERICAN MEDICAL TECHNOLOGISTS (“AMT”) DENTAL ASSISTING RADIOGRAPHY (“DAR”) CERTIFICATION

Audio Start Time: 7:25:40

Ms. Deela addressed the board and expressed concern on whether AMT meets the minimum requirements for certification. Ms. Cilia also addressed the Board to provide clarification on AMT’s DAR certification. The Board clarified that AMT was previously approved because it meets the minimum requirements and did not take further action.

VIII. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE

Audio Start Time: 7:39:50

Motion: Dr. Bienstock moved to accept the Investigative Committee’s recommendations in the order provided.

Second: Ms. Penna

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

IX. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Audio Start Time: 7:44:00

Mr. Runion addressed the Board on behalf of his client and urged the Board to reconsider its decision on an adjudicated matter.

X. ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (“AAG”) REPORT

Ms. Monaghan provided the Board with an update on cases moved to hearing.

XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

A. Budget Update

The Board did not have questions regarding the budget.

B. Agency Operations

Ms. Gomez informed the Board that a new compliance officer has been hired and that there is one more vacancy in the compliance department.

C. Complaint Log

The Board did not have questions regarding the complaint log.

XII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

1. Dental Specific Bills

- a. SB1037 Health boards; fund balances; fees
- b. SB1081 S/E timelines; complaints; health boards
- c. SB1124 Dental board; oral preventive assistants
- d. SB1235 Health profession regulatory boards; membership

Motion: Dr. Morrow moved to change the Board's position to neutral for SB1235.

Second: Dr. Bienstock

Vote: 7-aye, 0-nay, 0-abstain, 0-recuse, 4-absent. Motion passed.

- e. SB1335 AHCCCS; teledentistry; report
 - f. SB1347 AHCCCS; comprehensive dental care
 - g. SB1448 S/E Dentists; dental hygienists; compact
 - h. SB1527 Occupational boards; renewal extension
 - i. HB2026 Dental board; formal hearings
 - j. HB2137 Dental board; licensure; renewal
 - k. HB2173 Mental health inquiry; prohibition
 - l. HB2190 Dentists; dental hygienists; compact
 - m. HB2250 AHCCCS; preventative dental care
 - n. HB2312 Dental board; continuation
 - o. HB2828 Dental board; fingerprint card; maintenance
- ### **2. Other Impactful Bills**
- a. SB1587 Health boards; third-party contracting
 - b. HB2031 Boards and commissions; repeal
 - c. HB2061 Administrative proceedings; jury trials
 - d. HB2276 Legislative ratification; rulemaking; regulatory costs
 - e. HB2351 Health professionals; website; time limitation
 - f. HB2632 Regulatory costs; rulemaking; legislative ratification
 - g. HB2708 Trial by jury; regulatory proceedings
 - h. HB2874 Excessive health insurance claims; notification
 - i. HB2875 Health professionals; unprofessional conduct
 - j. HB2927 Public meetings; records; requirements; penalties

XIV. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

None were discussed.

XVI. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

A. May 16, 2025

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Bienstock adjourned the meeting at 4:06 p.m.