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NOTICE OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN DENTISTRY

September 7, 2016 239 Causeway Street ~ Room 417 A&B Boston, Massachusetts 02114

AGENDA

Time	#	Item	Exhibits	Contact
8:30 a.m.	ı	CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA		
8:32	II	EXECUTIVE SESSION (closed to the public) The Board will meet in Executive Session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(1) for the purposes of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against an individual. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate individuals with respect to the Good Moral Character requirement for initial licensure. Specifically, the Board will discuss a Probation matter with respect to physical condition or mental health of an individual. Specifically, the Board will discuss and evaluate a pending disciplinary complaint that involves patient records and treatment of a patient.		
9:15	tii	M.G.L.c.112, §65C SESSION (closed to the public)		
9:30	IV	PROBATION MATTER—REVIEW OF PRACTICE MONITORS DEN-2012-0027: Dr. Brian Mangano		

9:35	V	COMPLAINT RESOLUTION—PENDING BOARD MATTERS 1. DEN-2014-0121: Dr. Danuta Goroch 2. DEN-2014-0122: Dr. James Swartz 3. DEN-2014-0123: Dr. Veronica Gaiser 4. DEN-2014-0124: Dr. Sarat Ummethala 5. DEN-2014-0125: Gail Weisberg, RDH 6. DEN-2014-0126: Carly White, RDH 7. DEN-2014-0127: Robin Murch, RDH 8. DEN-2014-0128: Paula Isgro, RDH 9. DEN-2015-0048: Dr. Luping Ge 10. DEN-2015-0049: Tracy MacLane, RDH 11. DEN-2015-0050: Ly Nguyen, RDH 12. DEN-2015-0051: Sheila Levine, RDH 13. DEN-2016-0027: Edna Walsh, RDH 14. DEN-2016-0028: Dr. Awad Feras	Investigation Reports	E. Mulligan, D. Taylor L. Seeley- Murphy
10:20	VI	REVIEW OF MINUTES OF PRIOR GENERAL SESSIONS 1. April 6, 2016 2. May 4, 2016 3. June 1, 2016 4. June 1, 2016 Complaint Committee 5. July 6, 2016	Draft Minutes	B.Young
10:40	VII	ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS 1. GMC Licensure Report 2. Unlicensed Practice—Staff Action Report 3. Probation Monitor Report 4. Frequency of Complaint Committee Meetings	Memos	B. Young, K. Fishman
10:45	VIII	FLEX SESSION		
11:00		ADJOURNMENT		

MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN DENTISTRY 239 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02114 Room 417 GENERAL SESSION MINUTES September 7, 2016

Present: Dr. Stephen DuLong, Board Chair; Ms. Ailish Wilkie, Board Secretary; Dr. Paul Levy; Ms. Lois Sobel, RDH; Dr. Patricia Wu; Ms. Jacyn Stultz, RDH; Dr. Keith Batchelder; Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Kathleen Held; Dr. Ward Cromer; Dr. John Hsu

Absent: None

Board Staff Present: Barbara A. Young, Executive Director; Samuel Leadholm, Esq., Board Counsel; Dr. Liliana DiFabio, Supervisor of Investigations; OPP Investigators Sarah Millar, Eileen Mulligan, Kathleen O'Connell, Lisa Seeley-Murphy, Danielle Taylor and Barbara Yates.

Ms. Ailish Wilkie arrived for the meeting at 8:47 a.m.

Dr. Keith Batchelder arrived for the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Motion: At 8:31 a.m., to commence the meeting and to adopt the

proposed agenda for today's meeting.

Motion Made By: Dr. Cynthia Stevens

Second: Ms. Lois Sobel

Vote: Unanimous

At 8:32 a.m., Dr. DuLong announced that the Board will meet in closed session as authorized pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(1) for the purpose of discussing the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than the professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. Specifically, the Board will meet in Executive Session and will discuss and evaluate the Good Moral Character as required for registration of pending applicant(s) for licensure. Additionally, the Board will discuss and evaluate pending disciplinary complaints that involve patient records and treatment of patients. Executive Session is closed to members of the public, except as provided for in M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a) (1). At the conclusion of the Executive Session, the Board will enter an M.G.L. c.112, §65C Session before returning to open session and adjourning the meeting for the day.

Motion: At 8:33 a.m., to enter Executive Session pursuant to

M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(1)

Motion Made By: Ms. Lois Sobel

Second: Dr. Cynthia Stevens

Vote: Unanimous

Motion: At 9:26 a.m., to enter a M.G.L. c.112, §65C Session

Motion Made By: Dr. Cynthia Stevens

Second: Ms. Lois Sobel

Vote:

In Favor: Dr. Keith Batchelder; Dr. Paul Levy; Dr. John Hsu;

Dr. Patricia Wu; Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Lois Sobel; Dr. Stephen DuLong; Ms. Jacyn Stultz; Ms. Kathleen Held;

Ms. Ailish Wilkie; Dr. Ward Cromer

Opposed: None Abstain: None

<u>Probation Matter - Probation Monitor Karen Fishman</u>

-- In the Matter of DEN-2012-0027; Dr. Brian Mangano

Review of Practice Monitor(s)

Atty. Vincent Dunn was present on behalf of the licensee for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter.

Discussion:

Ms. Fishman informed the Board the licensee has submitted the names of three candidates for practice monitor per the terms of the licensee's consent agreement. Atty. Leadholm advised the Board it needs to review each candidate for any issues and then to select one as the practice monitor.

Ms. Wilkie noted she only recognized one of the three candidates but Drs. DuLong and Stevens stated they recognized two of the candidates. Dr. Cromer suggested the Board select Dr. Russell as Dr. Russell is a former Board member and has an excellent reputation. Dr. DuLong noted Dr. Russell has already served as a

practice monitor for the Board.

Motion:

To select Dr. David A. Russell as the licensee's practice

monitor.

Motion Made By:

Dr. Keith Batchelder

Second:

Dr. Cynthia Stevens

Vote:

Unanimous

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Eileen Mulligan

-- In the Matter of DEN-2014-0121: Dr. Danuta Goroch

Ms. Jacyn Stultz and Ms. Lois Sobel recused themselves from the discussion and vote of the Board on complaint DEN-2014-0121: Dr. Danuta Goroch.

Atty. Thomas Bright was present on behalf of the licensee for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter; Atty. Bright recorded the hearing.

Allegations:

Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion:

Ms. Mulligan informed the Board this complaint was one of 8 companion cases to be considered by the Board and that the licensees' practice involved treating nursing home patients. Ms. Mulligan stated this licensee submitted a permit application for a portable dental operation (PDO) in April 2014 and the inspection was conducted in Aug. 2014.

Dr. Batchelder asked who initiated the complaint; Ms. Mulligan replied the Board is the complainant when it was discovered the licensees were practicing without a valid permit.

Dr. Hsu asked who owned the business; Ms. Mulligan replied the owners are two podiatrists and this licensee. Ms. Mulligan stated the business was sold in May 2015 to a new owner. Ms. Young asked how long the business operated without a permit; Ms. Mulligan replied from Sept. 2013 to Sept. 2014.

Dr. DuLong noted it is important for all licensees to work in a properly permitted facility; Dr. Batchelder agreed. Atty. Dunn noted the licensees worked for the Massachusetts branch of a national company and this licensee had been informed by the parent company's legal staff that a PDO permit was not required.

Atty. Dunn noted there is precedent for offering this licensee stayed probation as this licensee withdrew from the company as soon as she realized a permit was required. However, Ms. Mulligan noted this licensee left the business four months after discovering a permit was required. Dr. Batchelder asked where the licensee currently practices; Atty. Dunn replied in Windham, NH.

Ms. Wilkie asked about the spore test results; Ms. Mulligan replied the company utilizes three teams employing three dentists and four hygienists. The teams use 2 autoclaves but spore testing didn't begin until late Oct. 2013 noting the company began treating patients in Sept. 2013.

Motion: To offer a Consent Agreement for Probation for 3 Months to

include the following required coursework:

6 Hours: Risk Management6 Hours: Infection Control

If this agreement is not accepted by the licensec, the matter

will be referred to prosecution.

Motion Made By: Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Second: Dr. Cynthia Stevens

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Stephen DuLong; Dr. Keith Batchelder;

Dr. John Hsu; Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Kathleen Held;

Dr. Ward Cromer; Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Opposed: None

Abstain: Dr. Patricia Wu; Dr. Paul Levy

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Eileen Mulligan

-- In the Matter of DEN-2014-0122: Dr. James R. Swartz

Ms. Jacyn Stultz and Ms. Lois Sobel recused themselves from the discussion and vote of the Board on complaint DEN-2014-0122: Dr. James R. Swartz.

The licensee and Atty. Thomas Bright were present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter; Atty. Bright recorded the hearing.

Allegation(s): Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion: Ms. Mulligan informed the Board this licensee is the 2nd permit

holder and had only been working for the company for 3 weeks

when the inspection occurred.

Dr. Batchelder asked what the licensee's title within the company was; the licensee replied he was an employee. Dr. Hsu asked the licensee about the company's sterilization methods; the licensee replied he sterilized his instruments using his home autoclave. Dr. Levy asked if we had received records from this licensee's home autoclave; Ms. Mulligan replied she did not as she was informed by the company that a hygienist was responsible for autoclaving instruments using the company's autoclaves. Dr. Levy asked the licensee if only he sterilized his instruments; the licensee replied he did for several months at his home but he uses

the company's autoclaves now.

Motion: To dismiss the complaint as no evidence of violation found

with an advisory letter on the Board's regulations regarding

infection control and record keeping.

Motion Made By: Dr. Keith Batchelder

Second: Dr. Paul Levy

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Stephen DuLong; Dr. Keith Batchelder;

Ms. Kathleen Held; Dr. Patricia Wu; Dr. Paul Levy;

Dr. Ward Cromer; Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Opposed: Dr. John Hsu; Dr. Cynthia Stevens

Abstain: None

<u>Complaint Resolution – Investigator Eileen Mulligan</u>

--In the Matter of DEN-2014-0123: Dr. Veronica Gaiser

Ms. Jacyn Stultz and Ms. Lois Sobel recused themselves from the discussion and vote of the Board on complaint DEN-2014-0123: Dr. Veronica Gaiser.

The licensee and Atty. Thomas Bright were present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter; Atty. Bright recorded the hearing.

Allegation(s): Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion: Dr. Hsu asked the licensee how long she worked for the

company; Ms. Mulligan replied the licensee worked 4 days per week from Sept. 2013 to July 2014. Dr. Hsu asked the licensee how she felt about the company; the licensee replied she thought it was doing some really good work and was excited to join the company. Dr. Hsu asked the licensee why she left the company; the licensee replied she left when the permit issue arose as she

felt she had been misled by the company.

Motion: To dismiss the complaint as no evidence of violation found

with an advisory letter on the Board's regulations regarding

infection control and risk management.

Motion Made By: Dr. John Hsu

Second: Dr. Cynthia Stevens

Vote: Unanimous

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Eileen Mulligan

--In the Matter of DEN-2014-0124: Dr. Sarat Ummethala

Allegation(s): Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion: Ms. Young informed the Board this complaint has been deferred

to the Oct. Board meeting per the request of the licensee.

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Eileen Mulligan

-- In the Matter of DEN-2014-0125: Gail E. Weisberg, RDH

Ms. Jacyn Stultz and Ms. Lois Sobel recused themselves from the discussion and vote of the Board on complaint DEN-2014-0125: Gail E. Weisberg, RDH.

Atty. Thomas Bright was present on behalf of the licensee for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter; Atty. Bright recorded the hearing.

Allegation(s): Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion: Ms. Mulligan informed the Board this licensee's title in the

company was "dental director/supervisor." Atty. Bright stated

the licensee is still employed by the company.

Ms. Wilkie asked if this licensee was aware the company had to stop treating patients until they acquired a PDO permit; Ms. Mulligan replied this licensee had been told by Dr. Goroch.

Motion:

To offer a Consent Agreement for Probation for 6 Months to include the following required coursework:

3 Hours: Risk Management 3 Hours: Infection Control

• 3 Hours: Managing Medical Emergencies

If this agreement is not accepted by the licensee, the matter will be referred to prosecution.

Motion Made By:

Dr. Keith Batchelder

Second:

Dr. John Hsu

Discussion (cont'd):

Dr. Levy asked about the chain of command, specifically who did this licensee report to; Ms. Mulligan replied this licensee reported to Atty. Spiegel, the out-of-state attorney for the parent company. Atty. Bright stated this licensee and Atty. Spiegel were co-equals in running the company but stated this licensee had no authority

to shut down the business.

Vote:

In Favor: Dr. Stephen DuLong; Dr. Keith Batchelder;

Ms. Kathleen Held; Dr. John Hsu; Dr. Paul Levy;

Dr. Ward Cromer; Ms. Ailish Wilkie Opposed: Dr. Cynthia Stevens Abstain: Dr. Patricia Wu

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Eileen Mulligan

-- In the Matter of DEN-2014-0126: Carly D. White, RDH

Ms. Jacyn Stultz and Ms. Lois Sobel recused themselves from the discussion and vote of the Board on complaint DEN-2014-0126: Carly D. White, RDH.

The licensee and Atty. Thomas Bright were present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter; Atty. Bright recorded the hearing.

Allegation(s):

Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion:

Ms. Mulligan informed the Board this licensee previously held her own PDO permit as a PHDH noting this licensee asked Ms. Weisberg if everything was in order with the company's permit and was told by Ms. Weisberg it was.

Dr. Batchelder asked if permits are required to be posted; the licensee replied yes explaining she asked Atty. Spiegel but Atty. Spiegel informed her he had reviewed the Board's regulations and that no permit was needed. Dr. Levy asked the licensee why she didn't call the Board herself; the licensee replied she did but got mixed answers. Atty. Bright noted the Board's regulations do not define "home-bound" suggesting the regulations are vague.

Dr. Hsu asked the licensee how long she worked for the company; the licensee replied from Sept. 2013 to the present becoming the office manager in Jan. 2014. The licensee stated

she is now responsible for all spore testing.

Motion: To dismiss the complaint as no evidence of violation found

with an advisory letter on the Board's regulations regarding infection control, managing medical emergencies and risk

management.

Motion Made By: Dr. Keith Batchelder

Second: Dr. Paul Levy

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Dr. Keith Batchelder;

Ms. Kathleen Held; Dr. Patricia Wu; Dr. Paul Levy;

Dr. Ward Cromer; Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Opposed: Dr. John Hsu; Dr. Stephen DuLong

Abstain: None

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Eileen Mulligan

--In the Matter of DEN-2014-0127: Robin S. Murch, RDH

Ms. Jacyn Stultz and Ms. Lois Sobel recused themselves from the discussion and vote of the Board on complaint DEN-2014-0127: Robin S. Murch, RDH.

The licensee and Atty. Thomas Bright were present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter; Atty. Bright recorded the hearing.

Allegation(s): Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion: Ms. Mulligan informed the Board this licensee is still employed

by the company.

Motion: To dismiss the complaint as no evidence of violation found

with an advisory letter on the Board's regulations regarding infection control, managing medical emergencies and risk

management.

Motion Made By: Dr. Keith Batchelder

Second: Dr. Paul Levy

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Dr. Keith Batchelder;

Ms. Kathleen Held; Dr. Patricia Wu; Dr. Paul Levy;

Dr. Ward Cromer; Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Opposed: Dr. John Hsu; Dr. Stephen DuLong

Abstain: None

<u>Complaint Resolution – Investigator Eileen Mulligan</u>

-- In the Matter of DEN-2014-0128: Paula Mae Isgro, RDH

Ms. Jacyn Stultz and Ms. Lois Sobel recused themselves from the discussion and vote of the Board on complaint DEN-2014-0128: Paula Mae Isgro, RDH.

The licensee and Atty. Elizabeth Caddick were present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter.

Allegation(s): Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion: Ms. Mulligan informed the Board this licensee was also

employed by the company.

Motion: To dismiss the complaint as no evidence of violation found

with an advisory letter on the Board's regulations regarding infection control, managing medical emergencies and risk

management.

Motion Made By: Dr. Keith Batchelder

Second: Dr. Paul Levy

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Dr. Keith Batchelder;

Ms. Kathleen Held; Dr. Patricia Wu; Dr. Paul Levy;

Dr. Ward Cromer; Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Opposed: Dr. John Hsu; Dr. Stephen DuLong

Abstain: None

The Board took its morning recess at 10:40 a.m. and resumed the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Danielle Taylor

-- In the Matter of DEN-2015-0048: Dr. Luping Ge

The licensee was not present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter.

Allegation(s): Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion: Ms. Taylor informed the Board this is the 1st of four companion

cases and an inspection was completed in May 2015. Ms. Taylor

noted this licensee was deficient in the requisite CEUs for infection control and pain mgmt. but has since completed those

courses.

Ms. Stultz asked if the licensee's assistants were licensed; Ms.

Taylor replied they were not.

Motion: To offer a Consent Agreement for Stayed Probation for 6

Months to include the following required coursework:

6 Hours: Risk Management6 Hours: Infection Control

If this agreement is not accepted by the licensee, the matter

will be referred to prosecution.

Motion Made By: Dr. Cynthia Stevens

Second: Dr. John Hsu

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Stephen DuLong, Dr. Keith Batchelder;

Dr. Paul Levy; Dr. Patricia Wu; Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Kathleen Held; Ms. Lois Sobel; Ms. Jacyn Stultz;

Dr. Ward Cromer; Dr. John Hsu

Opposed: None

Abstain: Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Danielle Taylor

-- In the Matter of DEN-2015-0049: Tracy Maclane, RDH

The licensee was not present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter.

Allegation(s):

Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion:

Ms. Taylor stated this licensee was also deficient in the requisite CEU for infection control but has since completed a course.

Ms. Stultz noted the hygienists were not using sterilized hand pieces on each patient; Ms. Taylor replied that is correct.

Motion:

To offer a Consent Agreement for Stayed Probation for 3 Months to include the following required coursework:

3 Hours: Risk Management 3 Hours: Infection Control

If this agreement is not accepted by the licensee, the matter will be referred to prosecution.

Motion Made By:

Ms. Jacyn Stultz

Second:

Ms. Lois Sobel

Vote:

In Favor: Dr. Stephen DuLong, Dr. Keith Batchelder; Dr. Paul Levy; Dr. Patricia Wu; Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Kathleen Held; Ms. Lois Sobel; Ms. Jacyn Stultz; Ms. Ailish Wilkie; Dr. Ward Cromer; Dr. John Hsu

Opposed: None Abstain: None

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Danielle Taylor

-- In the Matter of DEN-2015-0050: Ly Quach Nguyen, RDH

The licensee was not present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter.

Allegation(s):

Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion:

Ms. Taylor informed the Board this licensee is compliant with all

CEUs.

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Motion: To offer a Consent Agreement for Stayed Probation for 3

Months to include the following required coursework:

3 Hours: Risk Management 3 Hours: Infection Control

If this agreement is not accepted by the licensee, the matter

will be referred to prosecution.

Motion Made By: Ms. Jacyn Stultz

Second: Dr. Paul Levy

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Keith Batchelder; Dr. Paul Levy; Dr. Patricia Wu;

Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Kathleen Held; Ms. Lois Sobel; Ms. Jacyn Stultz; Ms. Ailish Wilkie; Dr. Stephen DuLong

Dr. Ward Cromer Opposed: None

Abstain: Dr. John Hsu

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Danielle Taylor

-- In the Matter of DEN-2015-0051: Sheila B. Levine, RDH

The licensee was not present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter.

Allegation(s): Infection Control and Regulatory Violations

Discussion: Ms. Taylor informed the Board this licensee did not complete the

requisite infection control and Basic Life Support re-certification but she has since completed both courses. Ms. Taylor also stated

this licensee retired in May 2016.

Motion: To offer a Consent Agreement for Stayed Probation for 3

Months to include the following required coursework:

3 Hours: Risk Management 3 Hours: Infection Control

If this agreement is not accepted by the licensee, the matter

will be referred to prosecution.

Motion Made By: Ms. Jacyn Stultz

Second: Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Keith Batchelder; Dr. Paul Levy; Dr. Patricia Wu;

Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Kathleen Held; Ms. Lois Sobel; Ms. Jacyn Stultz; Ms. Ailish Wilkie; Dr. Stephen DuLong

Dr. Ward Cromer Opposed: None Abstain: Dr. John Hsu

Complaint Resolution - Investigator Lisa Seeley-Murphy

-- In the Matter of DEN-2016-0027: Edna M. Walsh, RDH

The licensee was not present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter.

Allegation(s): Unlicensed Practice by a Dental Hygienist

Discussion: Ms. Seeley-Murphy informed the Board this licensee practiced

for approx. 5 years on an expired license but noted the licensee was compliant with the requisite CEUs for each licensure cycle.

Ms. Wilkie noted these licensees are typically reprimanded but suggested the licensee be required to retake the NERB/CDCA exam if there hasn't been evidence of practice for 5 yrs. or longer; Dr. Levy disagreed. Atty. Leadholm advised the Board retaking the NERB/CDCA exam may be called for in the absence of actual

practice but that is not this case with this licensee.

Motion: To offer a Consent Agreement for a Reprimand to include the

following required coursework:

• 3 Hours: Ethics

If this agreement is not accepted by the licensee, the matter

will be referred to prosecution.

Motion Made By: Ms. Jacyn Stultz

Second: None (Ms. Stultz withdrew her motion)

Motion: To offer a Consent Agreement for a Reprimand

Motion Made By: Ms. Jacyn Stultz

Second: Ms. Ailish Wilkie

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Vote: In Favor: Dr. Keith Batchelder; Dr. Paul Levy; Dr. Patricia Wu;

Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Kathleen Held; Ms. Lois Sobel; Ms. Jacyn Stultz; Ms. Ailish Wilkie; Dr. Stephen DuLong

Dr. Ward Cromer; Dr. John Hsu

Opposed: None Abstain: None

Complaint Resolution – Investigator Lisa Seeley-Murphy

-- In the Matter of DEN-2016-0028: Dr. Feras Awad

The licensee was not present for the discussion and vote of the Board on this matter.

Allegation(s): Employment of an Unlicensed Dental Hygienist

Discussion: Ms. Seeley-Murphy informed the Board this licensee employed

Ms. Walsh. Dr. Levy stated he didn't understand how this keeps happening as dentists are responsible to insure their dental staff is properly licensed; Dr. Stevens agreed. Atty. Leadholm advised

the Board it has precedent for dismissing these cases.

Motion: To dismiss the complaint as no evidence of violation found

with an advisory letter on the Board's regulations regarding

unlicensed practice.

Motion Made By: Ms. Ailish Wilkie

Second: Dr. Keith Batchelder

Vote: In Favor: Dr. Keith Batchelder; Dr. Paul Levy;

Dr. Cynthia Stevens; Ms. Lois Sobel; Ms. Jacyn Stultz; Ms. Ailish Wilkie; Dr. Stephen DuLong; Dr. Ward Cromer;

Dr. John Hsu
Opposed: None

Abstain: Dr. Patricia Wu; Ms. Kathleen Held

Review of the General Session Minutes of Prior Meetings:

Dr. DuLong announced the review of the April 6, 2016, May 4, 2016, June 1, 2016, and July 6, 2016, Board meetings and the June 1, 2016, Complaint Committee meeting will be deferred to the next Board meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2016, due to today's time constraints.

Administrative Matters:

A. GMC Licensure Report - Executive Director Barbara A. Young

Pursuant to BORID Policy 14-01, the following licenses were issued between 7.6.16 and 9.7.16:

Ambar Abreu	Dental Assistant (OJT)	DA08313	Issued effective 7/8/16
Kelia Renee Long	Dental Assistant (OJT)	DA08338	Issued effective 7/14/16

B. Board Staff Disposition of Selected Complaints Pursuant to BORID Policy 14-02

Pursuant to BORID Policy 14-02, adopted by the Board on Sept. 3, 2014, these pending complaints were resolved in the following manner:

Consent Agreement for Reprimand:

Thavaminthe Anton, RDH	DH11911	DEN-2014-0016	Effective October 1, 2015
Elizabeth J. Carlin, RDH	DH14033	DEN-2014-0009	Effective October 1, 2015
Susan E. Moccia, RDH	DH7074	DEN-2015-0010	Effective October 1, 2015
Ana D. Paiva, RDH	DH11943	DEN-2014-0072	Effective October 1, 2015
Amy Lee Bates, RDH	DH87624	DEN-2015-0139	Effective March 30, 2016
Carol A. Wallace, RDH	DH7302	DEN-2015-0137	Effective March 30, 2016
Patricia A. Quadir, RDH	DH4909	DEN-2015-0087	Effective July 22, 2016
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5.02(3)(b)(1) and M.G.L. c.		the importance of	compliance with 234 CMR
		DEN-2015-0024	Dismissed October 1, 2015
5.02(3)(b)(1) and M.G.L. c.	112, §52:		
5.02(3)(b)(1) and M.G.L. c. Dr. David Belf Becker	112, §52: DN13289	DEN-2015-0024	Dismissed October 1, 2015
5.02(3)(b)(1) and M.G.L. c. Dr. David Belf Becker Dr. Todd Belfbecker	112, §52: DN13289 DN21359	DEN-2015-0024 DEN-2015-0025	Dismissed October 1, 2015 Dismissed October 1, 2015
5.02(3)(b)(1) and M.G.L. c. Dr. David Belf Becker Dr. Todd Belfbecker Dr. Lisa B. Emirzian	112, §52: DN13289 DN21359 DN15280	DEN-2015-0024 DEN-2015-0025 DEN-2014-0011	Dismissed October 1, 2015 Dismissed October 1, 2015 Dismissed October 1, 2015

Dr. Ronald D. Perry	DN17351	DEN-2015-0018	Dismissed October 1, 2015
Dr. Charles L. Silvius	DN12041	DEN-2015-0023	Dismissed October 1, 2015
Dr. Gary P. Wheeler	DN14804	DEN-2015-0012	Dismissed October 1, 2015
Dr. Chih Ming Ko	DN17372	DEN-2015-0092	Dismissed Feb. 22, 2016
Dr. Johnathan J. Lee	DN22160	DEN-2015-0076	Dismissed Feb. 22, 2016
Dr. Po-Hsi Wu	DN18638	DEN-2015-0091	Dismissed Feb. 22, 2016
Dr. Carolyn A. Madison	DN15273	DEN-2015-0138	Dismissed March 30, 2016
Dr. Dimitris Zourdos	DN21160	DEN-2015-0125	Dismissed March 30, 2016
Dr. Christopher J. Merloni	DN17005	DEN-2015-0101	Dismissed July 22, 2016

C. Probation Monthly Report for Period of 6/24/16 to 8/24/16 – Probation Monitor Karen Fishman

Ms. Fishman submitted her monthly probation report to the Board. The Board had no questions for Ms. Fishman.

D. Complaint Committee – Update on Frequency of Meetings

Dr. DuLong suggested the Board consider scheduling Complaint Committee meeting each month instead of the current every other month due to the backlog of staff assignments and complaints to be considered by the Board. The Board members agreed and scheduled the next two meetings of the Complaint Committee for Oct. 5, 2016, and Nov. 2, 2016.

Board members volunteered to participate in these meetings as follows:

At the Oct. 5, 2016, meeting – Dr. Keith Batchelder, Dr. Paul Levy, Ms. Jacyn Stultz

At the Nov. 2, 2016, meeting - Dr. Stephen DuLong; Dr. John Hsu; Ms. Kathleen Held

Dr. Batchelder asked about having non-Board members participate in the Complaint Committee meetings. Atty. Leadholm advised the Board that is a possibility and he will check into the matter and report his findings to the Board.

E. Flex Session

a. Ms. Young informed the Board it had received a request from CODA for participation by two Board members in the next accreditation site visit on November 29 to December 1, 2016, at

the Middlesex Community College. Ms. Young stated CODA is seeking the names of two Board members but only one will be selected to participate in the site visit. Ms. Stultz noted the site visit usually lasts all day and is quite extensive. Given the time constraints of the site visit schedule, no Board member volunteered to participate.

- b. Ms. Young informed the Board it had received a report on the highlights of the 12th annual ADEX House of Representatives meeting on Aug. 7, 2016. Dr. DuLong noted the Board needs to invite its representative Dr. Mina Paul, former Board Chair, to the next Board meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 5th for a report on ADEX. Ms. Young noted she would contact Dr. Paul and extend an invitation to her to appear on Oct. 5th.
- c. Ms. Young reminded the Board the public hearing on its proposed amendments to 234 CMR has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 12, 2016, from 10AM to 4PM. Ms. Young also reminded the Board that at least one Board member needs to participate in the public hearing.

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Motion:	At 11:20 a.m. to adjourn the meeting for the day
Motion Made By:	Ms. Lois Sobel
Second:	Ms. Ailish Wilkie
Vote:	Unanimous
Respectfully submitted,	
Ms. Ailish Wilkie, Board S	Secretary Date