

SD State Board of Dentistry
Regular Meeting
St Charles Hotel; Pierre, SD
October 24, 2008; 10:00 am

President Randy Sachau called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Present were: G. Randy Sachau, Roger Wilson, Joan Adam, Audrey Ticknor, Robin Hattervig, Geoff Johnson, Steve Willard, Brittany Novotny and Pat Stearns. Guests were: Paul Knecht, Suzanne Luken, Raye Brown and Rhonda Bradberry.

The group reviewed the minutes of three past meetings. They were from June 13, 2008; an administrative rules hearing June 13; 2008 and a teleconference call September 11, 2008. There were two changes to the June 13 meeting (a redundant paragraph and Carrie Mikkonen's name was misspelled). Motion to approve as amended by Roger Wilson. Second by Audrey Ticknor. Motion carried.

Steve Willard reviewed the financial statement. Motion to approve the financial report by Geoff Johnson. Second by Wilson. Motion carried.

Pat Stearns led the office report. She spoke about the number of licensees, timing of the renewal, fees for service and new email addresses for the members of the Board. Willard and Sachau reviewed visits with the Department of Health and the Attorney General's office.

The group discussed the administrative contract with Midwest Solutions. Brittany Novotny would be serving as the new Executive Director. The group discussed reimbursement rates, cost, time, etc. At 11:15, the group went into executive session to discuss the contract. At 11:20 they returned to the regular meeting. Sachau reported that the group was in agreement, but that a couple of minor contractual items must be resolved. Motion to authorize Sachau to complete the administrative contract by Wilson. Second by Joan Adam. Motion carried.

Sachau then reviewed the plan for the transition.

Rhonda Bradberry spoke about the advanced dental assistant training program being developed at Lake Area Vocational Technical Institute. They are targeting individuals who have received training in the past who are no longer practicing. They are also considering a program for those currently working who wish to gain advanced certification. After an extended conversation, motion by Audrey Ticknor that the Board approve the program for one year and that LATI return to the Board with a summary of the project. Second by Robin Hattervig. Motion carried.

Hattervig led a discussion of continuing education topics. The main topic concerned the hours granted for CRDTS examiners. The group also discussed ACLS certification as it

relates to CPR. After discussion, the group charged Hattervig with compiling any suggestions into a recommendation back to the Board for consideration.

Paul Knecht spoke to the group about telemedicine opportunities that are being considered with the University of Nebraska and wanted to be certain that the exemptions of SDCL 36-6A-33 preclude the need for a license. After discussion and review of the statute, the group agreed that the exemptions apply and that no action was necessary.

Knecht asked the group to consider financial support for a seminar at their annual meeting. The speaker is Dr. Linda Niessen. The request was for \$6,000 and includes honorarium and expenses. Motion to approve the request by Hattervig. Second by Geoff Johnson. Motion carried with the expectation that any licensee may attend.

Sachau spoke to the group about a request that he had received from the Department of Health to consider guidelines for dentists to consider when prescribing drugs to themselves or others. The group suggested that Dr. Seaverson develop such a guideline for the Board's consideration. Wilson was volunteered to assist.

The Department of Health has asked the group for volunteers to participate in an oral health strategic planning committee. The Dental Association and the Dental Hygiene Association have already identified participants. After discussion, the group agreed that Novotny and Ticknor would attend on behalf of the group.

Wilson led a discussion of advertising. The group discussed advertising in general and a particular case that had been brought to the attention of Wilson by another dentist. Willard was directed to write a letter to the individual expressing the Board's dissatisfaction with the advertising. Wilson and Sachau will assist.

The group discussed legislation to provide a tighter definition for advertising and with whom it should originate (the Board or the professional Associations). Motion by Wilson to prepare language for consideration. Second by Johnson. Motion carried.

The group recessed for lunch and then interviewed candidates for licensure by credential verification.

Dentist Credential applicants were: Dr Jill Paulson, Dr Amber Reinking and Dr Jeffrey Reinking Hygienist Credential applicants were: Constance Norton, Nancy Ruhland and Jodi Mogensen.

Motion by Hattervig to approve the licenses for applicants by credential verification. Second by Ticknor. Motion carried.

Regular applicants were: Dr Brian Martin (dentist); and Kimberly Henriksen, Laura Hoyt, Katie Knips and Jessica Vennard (dental hygiene). Corporate applications were: Tuttle Midlakes Dentistry, Howard Peterson, Reth, and Donald Leonard.

Motion by Ticknor to approve the applications of regular dentists and regular dental hygiene applications. Second by Hattervig. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson to approve the corporate license applicants. Second by Hattervig. Motion carried.

The group then discussed the complaint process and contracting with two past Board members (Pat Coyne and Vince Jones) for assistance. Motion by Hattervig to contract with both Coyne and Jones at \$150 per hour hr with a \$10,000 maximum. Second by Johnson. Motion carried.

The group considered a request by Ann Brunick for financial assistance to attend a Pathology Forensic Dental Identification and Emerging Technologies course. The approximate cost would be \$3177. The Board concluded that it was not within the scope of their responsibility. No action was taken.

There was discussion of increasing participation in AADE. Motion by Johnson that the Board pay for the individual membership of its Board members to belong to AADE. Second by Wilson. Motion carried.

The group discussed representation to CRDTS as Nyberg had been the Board representative. Motion by Wilson that Sachau replace Nyberg as the representative to CRDTS. Second by Hattervig. Motion carried.

There was a discussion of an application by an out of state dentist seeking licensure who is compelled by statute to take CRDTS even though he seemed qualified for licensure. The group agreed there was little latitude, but will explore options for the applicant. Novotny was directed to research the issue.

The group discussed the granting of a temporary license for an individual to assist in Dr. Soderstrom's office. There was some concern about whether new cases are being started, and they agreed that a site visit would be appropriate. Motion to approve the temporary license by Hattervig contingent upon Sachau's satisfaction. Second by Wilson. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the next meeting dates; they agreed to meet February 13, 2009; June 5, 2009; and October 16, 2009.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:32 pm.

Steve Willard

