

**RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY
MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING**

16 November 2005

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Room 401, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Board members in attendance were:

Francis Connor, DDS Michael Rubinstein, DDS

Henry Levin, DMD Andrew Molak, DMD

Joseph Box, DMD Richard Glick, DDS

Kathleen Gazzola, RDH Mary Lou Buonaccorsi

Bernard Manchester Virginia Paine

Staff members in attendance were:

Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator

Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel

Others in attendance were:

Dr. Robin Lawrence

Board members not in attendance:

Linda Rusack, RDH

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the “Open Minutes” of the 18 October 2005 meeting. Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as presented.

Dental Licensing Sub-Committee:

Dr. Glick reported that the Sub-Committee for Dental Licensure had reviewed the

Applications and credentials of the following candidates and recommends them for licensure :

**Alan Pan, DMD National Board & NERB 2003
Tufts Dental School 2003 Licensed in MA**

**Martha Brown Truncale, DMD National Board & NERB 2001
UCONN – Dental 2001 Licensed NY and CT**

**Charles C. Truncale, DMD National Board & NERB 2000
UCONN – Dental 2000 Licensed CT**

**Tiby Alecia Mathog, DDS National Board & NERB 2005
Univ. of Michigan – 2005**

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***Robert S. Fridlind, DMD National Board & NERB 1998**

Tufts Dental – 1998 Licensed in CT and CA

***Pending AADE & NPDB**

Upon motion of Dr. Molak,, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein,, it was Voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individuals licenses to practice dentistry in Rhode Island.

Dental Hygiene Licensing Sub-Committee:

Mrs. .Gazzola reported that the Sub-Committee for Dental Hygiene Licensure had reviewed the application and credentials of the following candidate who had applied for licensure:

Jennifer E. Crowell, RDH National Boards & SRTA 1997

University of Tennessee (97) Licensed in CA, VA, TN, AK

Upon motion of Dr. Molak, seconded by Dr. Rubinstein, it was Voted by the Board to issue the aforementioned individual a license to practice dental hygiene in Rhode Island.

The Chairman advised the Board that the community review of the

proposed Rules and Regulations will be held this morning at 10 am in the Health Policy Forum.

Dr. Connor advised the Board that the ADEX Examination acceptance agreement will be signed and forward to ADEX.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 21 December 2005.

The Chairman called for a motion to adjourn the “Open Session” and enter into “Closed Executive Session” for the purpose of discussing disciplinary matters pursuant to the applicable exceptions of the “Open Meeting Law”, so called of Chapter 42-46-5 sub-division (1) and (4) of the General Laws. Upon motion by Dr. Molak, seconded by Dr. Connor, the Board voted unanimously to enter into “Executive Session” at 9:06 a.m

Dr. Lawrence recused himself from the meeting at this time.

The Board returned to “Open Session” at 9:20 a.m.

At this time, Dr. Lawrence returned to the open meeting.

Decisions Ratified in Closed Session

Dr. Connor requested that any decisions ratified during the “Closed Executive Session” be made public for the record, as well as, any

business discussed which should be disclosed in the “Open Meeting.

The Chairman made public the following business discussed in “Closed Session”.

Dr. Gary Anusavice (Premier Dental): He has entered into an agreement with the Department whereby he voluntarily surrendered his license for eighteen months with an eighteen month probation to be served upon return of his RI Dental license. He further agreed to cease advertising, accepting new patients and to permanently close Premier Dental as of 31 December 2005.

DEN 37-05 Dr. Steven Kenyon (Lisa Petito) Legal Counsel advised that as a result of this complaint, Dr. Kenyon’s RI Dental license was summarily suspended by the Department.

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Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes

The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 21 October 2005 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Mrs. Gazzola, seconded by Dr. Levin,

the Board Voted unanimously to seal the minutes.

Dr. Glick reported that the Sub-Committee for Dental Licensure had also reviewed the application and credentials of the following candidate and recommends him for licensure :

**Roland T. Biron, DMD National Board & NERB 1997
Univ. of Pennsylvania 1997 Licensed in PA**

Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Box, the Board voted unanimously to issue a RI Dental License to Dr. Biron.

Ms. Buonaccorsi addressed the Board with regard to the proposed ADHLEX examination and its effect on educators and candidates.

The Chairman advised that the NH Dental Association will be hosting a forum on dental licensure and has extended an invitation for one of our Board members to attend. He advised anyone who may be interested should contact him.

David Gifford, Director of Health, will be meeting with the Board at its December meeting.

Upon motion of Dr. Molak, seconded by Dr. Levin, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Francis Connor, DDS , Chairman
RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry**