

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

21 March 2007

A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date in the RI Department of Health, Health Policy Forum, 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:

Andrew Molak, DMD

Francis Connor, DDS, Chairman

Michael Rubinstein, DDS

Henry Levin, DMD, Vice -Chairman

Richard Glick, DDS

Bernard Manchester

Linda Rusack

Staff members in attendance were: Others in attendance were:

**Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator Valarie Celentano. Exe. Director,
RIDA**

Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel

Board members not in attendance:

Kathleen Gazzola, RDH, Secretary

John Smith

Mary Lou Buonaccorsi

Joseph Box, DMD

Virginia Paine

Upon review of the minutes of the 17 January 2007, the Chairman noted that the last paragraph on page 2 omitted the last name of the doctor. Those minutes are amended to reflect the full name of the doctor, Dr. George “Vezina”. The Chairman called for a motion to approve the “Open Minutes” as amended. Upon motion of Dr. Glick, seconded by Ms. Rusack, the Board voted unanimously to approved the minutes as amended.

Dental Licensing Sub-Committee:

Dr. Glick reported that the following candidate had been licensed since the last meeting:

Lindsay Cassidy, DMD National Board & Nerb (2006)

Tufts Dental (2006)

License # DEN02962 Issue date: 01/29/07

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Dental Licensure (cont.)

Jacob Fimple, DDS National Board & Nerb (2005)

Creighton Univ. (2005)

License # DEN02963 Issue date: 02/05/07

Kevin T. Silva, DMD National Board & Nerb (2003)

Tufts Dental (2003)

License # DEN02964 Issue date: 03/01/07

Stuart Mendel, DDS National Board & Nerb (1982)

Fairleigh Dickinson (1982)

License # DEN02965 Issue date: 03/12/07

Upon motion of Dr. Rubinstein, seconded by Mrs. Rusack, the Board approved the licensure of the aforementioned individuals.

Dental Hygiene Licensing Sub-Committee:

Mrs. Rusack reported that the following individuals have been issued dental hygiene licensed and or local anesthesia permits since the last

meeting.

Dental Hygiene Local Anesthesia Permits Issued since last meeting

Bethany M. Hornstein Local Anesthesia 12/06

Anesthesia Program BCC (06)

License #DHA1900 Issue date: 01/29/06

Lisa M. Proffitt NERB Local Anesthesia 12/06

Anesthesia Program BCC (06)

License #DHA01168 Issue date: 01/29/07

Kathleen Smietana NERB Local Anesthesia 12/06

Anesthesia Program Mt. Ida College (06)

License #DHA01750 Issue date: 02/05/07

Joanne Jourdan NERB Local Anesthesia 12/06

Anesthesia Program Quinsigamond Comm. College (06)

License #DHA01087 Issue date: 02/12/07

Stephanie Santoro NERB Local Anesthesia 02/06

Anesthesia Program Hudson Valley Comm. College (04)

License #DHA01731 Issue date: 03/06/07

Kathleen Bergevin NERB Local Anesthesia 12/06

Anesthesia Program Bristol Comm. College (06)

License #DHA01965 Issue date: 02/12/07

Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. Molak, the Board approved certification of the aforementioned individuals to administer local anesthesia

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Dental Hygiene Licensure

Katherine Bennett NERB-National Board (06)

DH Program CCRI (06)

License #DH02074 Issue date: 02/06/07

Jessica Bove NERB-National Board (06)

DH Program CCRI (06)

License #DH02075 Issue date: 02/06/07

Upon motion of Dr. Rubinstein, seconded by Dr. Levin, the Board approved the licensure of the aforementioned individuals to practice dental hygiene.

The Board discussed the proposed legislation for 2007. Mrs. Rusack

advised that the RI Dental Hygienists' Association opposes House bill number H 5384 which would allow second year dental students to sit for and take the dental hygiene examination.

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. Levin, seconded by Mr. Manchester, the Board voted unanimously to enter into "Executive Session" at 9:00 a.m.

Ms. Celantano recused herself from the meeting at this time.

The Board returned to "Open Session" at 9:15 a.m.

At this time, Ms. Celantano returned to the open meeting.

Dr. Connor requested that any decisions ratified as well as, any public business discussed during the "Closed Executive Session" be made public for the record, to be disclosed in the "Open Meeting".

Decisions Ratified in Closed Session

No decisions were ratified nor public business discussed during the closed session

Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes

The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 17 January 2007 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Molak, seconded by Mrs. Rusack, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the closed minutes of 17 January 2007.

The Chairman advised the Board that the Commission on Dental Accreditation is seeking a Board member to participate in the on site accreditation visit scheduled June 5, 2007 at the RI Hospital Division of Dentistry.

The Administrator provided Board members with information regarding the RI Pediatric Dentistry Mini-Residency Training Timeline being sponsored by the RI Department of Health.

The Chairman advised the Board of the need to address the issue of dentists administering Restylin and Botox injections in the Rules and Regulations. Dr. Connor will schedule a meeting of the Rules and Regulations Committee in the near future.

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The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 18 April 2007 in the Health Policy Forum (Lower Level).

Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Mr. Manchester, 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**