

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

**24 JUNE 2009**

**A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date at the RI Department of Health, 3 Capitol Hill, Director's Conference Room, Providence, Rhode Island. A quorum was established and the Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.**

**Board members in attendance were:                      Board members not in attendance were:**

**Henry Levin, DMD, Chairman      John Smith**

**Andrew Molak, DDS**

**Bernard Manchester**

**Joseph Box, DDS**

**Robert Bartro, DMD**

**Craig VanDongen, DDS**

**Christine Benoit, DMD**

**Mary Lou Buonaccorsi**

**Maureen Ross, RDH**

**Susan Perlini, RDH**

**Staff members in attendance were:      Others in attendance were:**

**Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator Valerie Celentano, Exec.  
Director, RIDA  
Gregory Madoian, Legal Counsel**

**The Chairman, called for a motion to approve the “Open Minutes” of the 13 May 2009 meeting. Dr. Bartro advised, he was not in attendance at the May meeting and therefore did not second the motion to approve the dental licenses issued. The minutes are hereby amended to reflect the motion was seconded by Dr. VanDongen. Upon motion of Dr. Box, seconded by Dr. Bartro, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as amended.**

#### **Sub-Committee for Dental Licensure**

**Dr. VanDongen reported that the following candidates had been issued dental licenses**

**Thanh Pham, DMD William DeGiacomo, DDS**

**Surender Reddy Tippy Reddy David Fiaschetti, DDS**

**Maulik H. Kotdawala,, DMD Brendan C. Gouin, DMD**

**Amanda B. Jones, DMD Erin E. McManus, DMD**

**Christopher E. Napolitano, DDS**

**Upon motion of Mrs. Ross, seconded by Dr. Bartro, the Board approved the licensure and certification of the aforementioned individuals.**

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**Sub-Committee for Dental Hygiene Licensure**

**Susan Perlini reported that following candidates had been issued dental hygiene licenses and or permits to administer local anesthesia:**

**Dental Hygiene Licenses issued since last meeting**

**Erin G. Alberino Kristen M. Andreozzi Nancy Burrows  
Olga D. Demenezes Bobbi Jo Dennis Jennifer M. Dupre  
Stacia M. Edwards Danielle B. Fraatz Meghan A. Garlick  
Amanda M Gingras Robin M. Howard Audrey L. Mancini  
Gina M. Natale Anna M. Olivares Kimberly S. Pielka  
Katie E. Pimental Corrie L. Ramos Kristin L. Ring  
Yenny P. Rojas Desiree L. Rosario Ada St..Germain  
Pamela Shaw Cathryn A. Strobel Lillian B. Wick  
Laura J. Wood Amy J. Medeiros Katlyn A. Almeida  
Caren Lynn Zickendrath**

**Dental Hygiene Licenses w/ anesthesia permits issued since last meeting**

**Brandi L. Perry Marilouise DeMontigny, Sarah Bumpus  
Susan J. Athaide Melissa E. Taylor, RDH Sandy M. Yetman**

**Jacqueline Romaniecki, Vania S. Morais, RDH Dana J. Feinstein  
Manal Mogawer**

**Dental Hygiene Anesthesia Permits issued since last meeting**

**Danielle Bastien, Jennifer McKechnie**

**Laura J. Maine Shanda M. Christal**

**Upon motion of Dr. Benoit, seconded by Dr. VanDongen, the Board approved the licensure of the aforementioned individuals.**

**At this time, Dr. Bartro addressed the Board with regard to his recent trip to Chicago as the Board's representative at the ADEX meeting.**

**Dr. Benoit apprised the Board with regard to the NERB Public Advocacy Forum.**

**She also advised the Board that Dr. Box had been honored by NERB on his thirty-five years of service as a NERB examiners.**

**At this time Mr. Michael Varadian , Executive Director of Health Services Regulation met with the Board and provided an overview of his responsibilities within the Department. Mr. Varadian also apprised the Board of his vast experience in the health care field prior to coming to the Department of Health.**

**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 Ms. Ross, seconded by Dr. VanDongen the Board entered into closed session at 8:49 a.m.**

**Ms. Celentano recused herself from the meeting at this time.**

**The Board returned to “Open Session” at 9:15 a.m. Ms. Celentano returned to the open meeting at this time.**

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**Decisions Ratified and/or closed in Closed Session**

**DEN 13-08 Closed No Unprofessional Conduct.**

**Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes**

**The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 13 May 2009 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Van Dongen, seconded by Ms. Perlini, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the closed minutes of 13 May 2009.**

**The Administrator advised the Board that the AADE is seeking the**

**Board's position on adopting a single national clinical examination for dentistry and dental hygiene. Upon motion of the Chairman, the Board voted unanimously in favor of one national clinical exam for dentistry and dental hygiene. It was further agreed and voted upon unanimously that the role of the AADE in the development of the exam should be in an advisory capacity only.**

**The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 22 July 2009 in the Director's Conference Room 401.**

**Upon motion of Dr. Benoit, seconded by Dr. Bartro, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Henry Levin, DMD, Chairman**

**RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry**