

# **RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY**

## **MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING**

**12 MAY 2010**

**A meeting of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on the above date at the RI Department of Health, Beck Conference Room, 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: Board members not in attendance were:**

**Andrew Molak, DMD, Chairman John Smith**

**Henry Levin, DMD, Vice-Chairman**

**Susan Perlini, RDH, Secretary**

**Bernard Manchester**

**Maureen Ross, RDH**

**Joseph Box, DDS**

**Craig VanDongen, DDS**

**Robert Bartro, DMD**

**Christine Benoit, DMD**

**Mary Lou Buonaccorsi**

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

**Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator Valerie Celentano, Executive Director, RIDA**

**Maryellen Simas, President, RIDHA**

**The Chairman called for a motion to approve the Open Minutes of the 14 April 2010 meeting. Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. VanDongen, the Board voted unanimously to accept the minutes as presented.**

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

**Dr. VanDongen advised that the following dental licenses and Anesthesia Permit has been issued:**

#### **Dental Licenses Issued since last meeting:**

**Shreekrishna Akilesh, DMD Harvard 2008 NERB**

**Jitka M. Janicek, , DMD, Tufts 1991 NERB**

**Joanne C. Lewis, DDS, Baylor College of Dentistry WREB**

#### **DENTAL ANESTHESIA PERMITS**

**Shreekrishna Akilesh, DMD**

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

**Susan Perlini reported no licenses have been issued since the last meeting.**

**At this time, Dr. Molak 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 Susan Perlini, seconded by Mr. Manchester, the Board entered into closed session at 8:40 a.m.**

**Ms. Celentano and Ms. Simas recused themselves from the meeting at this time.**

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**The Board returned to “Open Session” at 8:45 am. Ms. Celentano and Ms. Simas returned to the open meeting at this time.**

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

**There were no decisions ratified during closed session. The Board had no other business to be disclosed.**

**Sealing of the Closed Executive Minutes**

**The Chairman called for a motion to seal the minutes of the “Closed Executive Session” of 14 April 2010 meeting pursuant to Section 42-46 (1) and (2). Upon motion of Dr. Levin, seconded by Dr. VanDongen, the Board Voted unanimously to seal the closed minutes of 14 April 2010.**

**At this time, Ms. Celentano asked if CPR certification for dentists is mandatory. The Administrator advised that the Rules and Regulations are in the process of being amended to include mandatory CPR certification for dentists. Ms. Celentano also inquired as to whether language had been added to the Rules and Regulations with regard to teeth whitening. The Administrator advised that the Board determined that it was not necessary to add specific language regarding teeth whitening in that “dentistry” as it is defined in the statute and the rules and regulations would include teeth whitening.**

**The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 23 June 2010 in the Beck Conference Room.**

**Upon motion of Dr. Benoit, seconded by Dr. Levin, it was unanimously VOTED by the Board to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 a.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Gail Giuliano, Board Administrator  
RI Board of Examiners in Dentistry**