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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS  
BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY**

**3 CAPITOL HILL  
CONFERENCE ROOM 401  
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND**

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2015  
8:00 A.M.**

**OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Stephen Puerini, DMD, Vice Chairman  
Donald Williams, Secretary  
Russell Chin, DDS  
Caroline Danish, DMD  
Martin Elson, DDS  
Kerri Friel, RDH, COA, CDA, MA  
Eric George, DMD  
Louis Marciano, BS, M.Ed.  
Martin Nager, DMD  
Susan Perlini, RDH, BS  
Robert Ricci, Ph.D.  
Maryellen Simas, RDH

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jeffrey Dodge, DMD, Chairman

**STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Linda Esposito, Board Manager  
Amy Coleman, JD, Legal Counsel

**STAFF MEMBERS ABSENT**

Sarah Harrigan, Chief

## **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Pamela Coletti - RIDAA  
Rebecca Kislak – RIHCA  
Patrick Quinlan, JD – RIDA

### **1. Establishment of a quorum**

A meeting of the Rhode Island Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 401, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. A quorum was established and the Open Session meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. on a motion by Maryellen Simas, RDH, and seconded by Martin Nager, DMD. Motion carried.

### **2. Chief's Report**

In the absence of Sarah Harrigan, Chief, Linda Esposito, Board Manager, advised the Board that and that Sharon Friend began her position as Board Administrator this week

### **3. Public Comment**

No public comment specific to today's agenda.

### **4. Presentation of the October 7, 2015 Open Session Meeting Minutes**

Motion was made by Martin Nager, DMD, and seconded by Louis Marciano, BS, M.Ed., to accept the Open Session minutes for the Rhode Island Board of Examiners in Dentistry for Wednesday, October 7, 2015, as amended. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Open Session minutes as presented. Motion carried.

### **5. Review of Issued Licenses List**

Board Members reviewed the list of licenses issued since the last Board Meeting.

### **6. Chairperson's Report**

#### **• Communications**

Vice Chairman Puerini reviewed the "ADA Morning Huddle" information provided by Chairman Dodge.

#### **• License Committee Meeting**

No License Committee Meeting was held for November 4, 2015 as there were no license application issues to be addressed.

#### **• December 2, 2015 Board Meeting**

Vice Chairman Puerini confirmed that the December 2, 2015 Board Meeting will go forward as scheduled. After discussion, a motion was made by Russell Chin, DDS, and seconded by Caroline Danish, to have anesthesia experts appear before the Board at the December 2, 2015 meeting to speak about anesthesia issues, and to

have the Board Manager re-send all anesthesia information to the Board Members, separated by contributor, by next week. Motion carried.

**7. New Business**

- The Board reviewed an email request from the Florida State Board of Dentistry asking if our state board requires conscious or moderate sedation permit holders to use end tidal CO2 monitoring. Board Manager was instructed to respond that our Rules and Regulations currently do not require it, but that our anesthesia Rules and Regulations are currently being revised.

**8. Motion to Adjourn to Closed Session**

- A motion was made by, Louis Marciano, BS, M.Ed., and seconded by, Martin Nager, DMD, to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:20 a.m. pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Motion carried.

**9. Motion to Return to Open Session**

- Motion was made by Maryellen Simas, RDH, and seconded by Martin Nager, DMD, at 10:55 a.m. to re-open the Open Session and to seal the Minutes of the Closed Session pursuant to Sections 42-46-4, 42-46-5 and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Board voted unanimously to approve. Motion carried.

**10. Final Actions on all votes taken in Closed Session**

- 8 No unprofessional Conduct
- 1 Reprimand

**12. Adjournment**

- The next Rhode Island Board of Examiners in Dentistry meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2015, 8:00 a.m. at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 401, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Motion was made by Maryellen Simas, RDH, and seconded by Robert Ricci, Ph.D., to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Board voted unanimously to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda L. Esposito  
Board Manager  
State of Rhode Island  
Center for Professional Boards and Commissions  
Board of Examiners in Dentistry