



**Kentucky Board of Dentistry**  
312 Whittington Pkwy, Ste. 101  
Louisville, KY 40222

**Minutes of Meeting**  
March 11, 2023

This regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Dentistry took place via teleconference. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. (EST) by the Board's president, Dr. Teresa Boyd. A quorum was present.

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Teresa Boyd, William Collins, Bruce Haskell, Lisa Johnston, Frank Kinnaird, Justin Kolasa, Thadler Schroeder, and Lory Dean Wilson

**Members Absent:** Andrew Farmer and Bradley Fulkerson

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Sherrie Zaino (UofL), Patsy Smallwood (BSCTC), Julie McKee (DPH), and Deborah Ray (UK)

**Ex-Officio Members Absent:** None

**Staff/Contract Personnel Present:** Jeffrey Allen and Anne-Tyler Morgan

**Also Present:** Jerry Caudill (Avesis)

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jeff Allen presented the draft minutes of the March 10, 2023, meeting.

*Motion: Approve the minutes of the 01-14-2023 meeting. Introduced by Teresa Boyd; seconded by Lisa Johnston Arthur. All were in favor; motion approved.*

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Law Enforcement Committee:** On the committee are Bradley Fulkerson, Justin Kolasa, and Teresa Boyd. Dr. Boyd reported that at its Jan. 13, 2023, meeting the Law Enforcement Committee reviewed 5 complaints. Three were dismissed, one remains under investigation, and one is subject to a cease-and-desist order.

One National Practitioner Data Bank alert and one incident report regarding a patient hospitalization were reviewed with no action taken.

One reinstatement request was denied and will likely result in a 13B hearing. Mr. Allen briefly reviewed the process for the Board engaging in a 13B administrative hearing.

The Well-Being Committee reported that all eight program participants were following their reporting and testing requirements.

**Regulatory Committees:** Mr. Allen reported that the Board's proposed revisions to 201 KAR 8:016, 571, and 520, as well as proposed new regulation 201 KAR 8:601 were all reviewed and approved by the Senate Committee on Health Services on March 8, 2022. All four regulations would take effect once approved by the same committee in the House.

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**Legislative Report:** Mr. Allen updated the Board on the 2023 General Assembly, including bills of relevance to professional licensure and oral health.

He also discussed the federal Military Spouse Licensing Relief Act, noting that legal counsel had reviewed the new law and determined that, aside from rare instances, it would not impact the way the Board already issues licenses.

**Financial Report:** Revenues to date were approximately \$447,000K compared to expenses of approximately \$514K, leaving a current deficit of \$67K and a cash balance of \$1.68 million.

**Hygienist Renewal Report:** Of the approximately 2,900 dental hygienist licenses up for renewal, 2,654 have been renewed for 2023-24, while 166 licenses were formally retired and 122 expired. The renewal rate of 90% is slightly lower than in previous years.

**CE Audit Report:** Based on the Board's policy of auditing 5% of licensees following renewal, 135 dental hygienists were selected at random to receive a continuing education audit. That process is currently ongoing but most auditees have already posted their hours to CE Broker.

**Board Elections:** The dentist board seats currently held by Drs. Teresa Boyd and Andrew Farmer, as well as the hygienist seat held by Lisa Johnston Arthur, are set to expire on June 30 of this year. All three board members are eligible for reappointment and any additional nominations for those seats are currently being accepted. Following an election, the top three candidates for each position will be forwarded to the governor for consideration.

## NEW BUSINESS

Dr. Haskell read a letter in support of Dr. Jeffrey Okeson becoming Kentucky's first licensed specialist in orofacial pain.

*Motion: Move to adjourn. Introduced by Lisa Johnston Arthur; seconded by Justin Kolasa. All were in favor; motion approved.*

The meeting adjourned at 09:45 a.m.