

Kentucky Board of Dentistry

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- MINUTES OF MEETING -

Nov. 07, 2020

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Dentistry was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by the Board's president, Dr. Geoffrey Ball. A quorum was present.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:; Brad Fulkerson, DMD; Chris Mattingly, DMD; Donna Ruley, RDH; Geoffrey Ball, DMD; Lisa Johnston, RDH; Mariam Fallahzadeh, DMD; Andrew Farmer, DMD; Frank Kinnaird; Teresa Boyd, DMD; and William Collins, DMD

Members Absent: None

Ex-Officio Members Present: Stephanie Riehn RDH, Ed.D (BCTC); Julie McKee, DMD (Dept. for Public Health); Deborah Ray, DMD (University of Kentucky); and Tim Daugherty (University of Louisville)

Staff Present: Jeff Allen, Crystal Holloway

Also Present: Jerry Caudill, DMD (Avesis); Peter Rosene (KBD Legal Counsel); Darren Greenwell, DMD (KDA); Lynn Phillips Henderson (KYDHA); Mark Moats, DMD (KDA); Beth Nicely (KYDHA); Richard Whitehouse (KDA)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Allen presented the draft minutes of the Sept. 12, 2020 meeting for approval.

Motion: Approve the minutes of the 09-12-2020 meeting as presented. Motion introduced by Brad Fulkerson; seconded by Donna Ruley. All were in favor; motion approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CE Committee: Serving on the committee are Andrew Farmer, Geoffrey Ball, Jerry Caudill, and Lisa Johnston. Dr. Farmer presented the CE Broker agreement for review. He also announced that the committee has recommended the Board change its continuing education records provider from KnowBi to CE Broker.

Motion: Approve the agreement with CE broker to provide CE recording and monitoring services. Motion introduced by Brad Fulkerson; seconded by Chris Mattingly. All were in favor; motion approved.

Law Enforcement Committee: Serving on the committee are Brad Fulkerson, Geoffrey Ball, and Chris Mattingly. Dr. Ball reported that at its Nov. 6 meeting, the committee reviewed nine complaint cases, four of which were dismissed, two were deferred for further investigation, one private admonishment issued, one fine issued, and one referral made to the Well-Being Committee. He also noted the LEC held an emergency meeting on Sept. 18 where an Immediate Temporary Suspension was issued for an ongoing case.

Vaccine Committee: Serving on the committee are Teresa Boyd, Geoffrey Ball, Bill Collins, Chris Mattingly, and Julie McKee. Dr. Boyd presented a vaccination white paper by Dr. McKee for review. The Board discussed potential options for dentists to administer vaccines in Kentucky. The committee has also reached out to key legislators for input.

Fee & Fines Committee: Serving on the committee are Geoffrey Ball, William Collins, Mariam Fallahzadeh, Brad Fulkerson, and Donna Ruley. Dr. Ball reported that the committee is considering several revisions to 201 KAR 8:520, including removing mandatory fine amounts, establishing a charitable license fee, eliminating duplicate license fees, requiring registration of mobile units, and waiving fees for charitable dental labs.

COVID-19 REPORTS:

Task Force Update: Dr. McKee discussed her recent conversation with Commissioner Stack, including rollout of a statewide vaccine distribution plan and the possibility of dentists administering vaccines.

KBD Update: Mr. Allen announced that all provisional licenses have been converted to full licenses and the recently approved general supervision rule change is now in place. He also noted that two other Board approved accommodations are still in effect – the 90 day grace period of general CE requirements and specialists practicing general dentistry in an emergency capacity.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Financial Report: Mr. Allen reported current revenues of \$88,256 against \$272,180 in expenses. A deficit of this size is typical this time of year as hygienist license renewal fees have only just started coming in. Cash on hand is \$1.35 million.

Legal/Legislative Report: Kentucky's e-prescribing mandate takes effect Jan. 1 and will be required when prescribing controlled substances. Mr. Allen also discussed a telehealth bill that was pre-filed on behalf of the Division of Telehealth Services.

Dental Hygiene License Renewal Update: The renewal period for dental hygiene licenses opened recently with 2,883 licenses set to expire at year's end.

ADEX Membership: The American Board of Dental Examiners has inquired about the Board joining its membership. Mr. Allen said this would give the Board an active role in ADEX policy development. The Board discussed whether an active role in ADEX was desirable, noting conflict of interest issues that have occurred in the past.

Motion: Table discussion of ADEX membership. Motion introduced by Brad Fulkerson; seconded by Tim Daugherty. All were in favor; motion approved.

Announcements/Administrative Matters: Mr. Allen made a few final announcements, including COVID restrictions on state offices and staff, the release of the e-newsletter, and the receipt of bids for a new Board investigator.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Move to adjourn. Motion introduced by Teresa Boyd; seconded by Lisa Johnston. All were in favor; motion approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.