

## Kentucky Board of Dentistry

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### - MINUTES OF MEETING -

May 14, 2022

This regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Dentistry took place via teleconference in compliance with KRS 61.823. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by the Board's president, Dr. Teresa Boyd. A quorum was present.

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:** Geoffrey Ball, Teresa Boyd, William Collins, , Frank Kinnaird, Bradley Fulkerson, Lisa Johnston, Justin Kolasa, and Donna Ruley

**Members Absent:** M. Suzanne Fallahzadeh, Andrew Farmer

**Ex-Officio Members Present:** Tim Daugherty (UofL), Joseph Evans (WKU), Julie McKee (DPH), and Deborah Ray (UK)

**Ex-Officio Members Absent:** None

**Staff/Contract Personnel Present:** Jeffrey Allen, Crystal Holloway, and Peter Rosene

**Also Present:** Jerry Caudill (Avesis), David Guthrie (SmileMD), and Bridgett Asberry (KYDHA)

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#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jeff Allen presented the draft minutes of the March 12, 2022 meeting.

*Motion: Approve the minutes of the 03-12-2021 meeting. Introduced by Geoffrey Ball; seconded by Justin Kolasa. All were in favor; motion approved.*

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Law Enforcement Committee:** Serving on the committee are Bradley Fulkerson, Justin Kolasa, and Teresa Boyd. Dr. Fulkerson reported that at its May 13, 2022 meeting the Law Enforcement Committee reviewed 13 complaints. Seven were dismissed and six were held over for further investigation. One of these cases involved an Immediate Temporary Suspension issued by the LEC earlier in the month.

Two alerts from the National Practitioner Data Bank were reviewed with no action taken. Three reinstatement requests also were reviewed—one was approved pending completion of a refresher course and no action was taken on the others.

The Well-Being Committee reported to the LEC that ten of eleven program participants were in compliance with their reporting and testing requirements. The other is being monitored closely and further action may be taken.

**Fees & Fines Committee:** Serving on the committee are William Collins, Miriam Fallahzadeh, Bradley Fulkerson, and Donna Ruley. Mr. Allen reminded members that the current version of 201 KAR 8:520, which creates mobile unit fees of \$150 for initial registration and \$75 for renewal, was approved at the last meeting. It has since been filed with the Legislative Research Commission and a public hearing is scheduled for June 24 at 4:00 p.m. No public comments have yet been received.

**Sedation Committee:** Serving on the committee are Bradley Fulkerson and Justin Kolasa. Dr. Fulkerson reminded members that the current version of 201 KAR 8:550, requires operating dentists to have ACLS or PALS training and sedation facility certificate holders to have a sedation permit, was approved at the last meeting. It has since been filed with the Legislative Research Commission and a public hearing is scheduled for June 24 at 2:00 p.m. Public comments have already been received.

**Mobile Units Committee:** Serving on the committee are Bradley Fulkerson, William Collins, Donna Ruley, M. Suzanne Fallahzadeh, and Jerry Caudill. Dr. Fulkerson reported that the public hearing for 201 KAR 8:600 was held on April 22 with several in attendance providing comments. The committee is reviewing these comments and hopes to have an updated draft of the proposed regulation for review at the July board meeting.

**Dentist and Dental Hygienist Licensure:** Mr. Allen noted it was time to take up 201 KAR 8:532 & 562 again. These are the licensure regulations for dentists and hygienists that were briefly review last year before being set aside for more pressing regulatory issues. Because some of the original committee members are rolling off the board, Mr. Allen suggested the formation of a new committee.

**Advisory Opinion Request 22-01:** Serving on the committee are Julie McKee, Justin Kolasa, and Teresa Boyd. Dr. Kolasa said the committee had a productive call with the author of the opinion request and should have a final document for review at the next meeting. He also discussed the possibility of the board considering a limited license for continuing education purposes.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**Financial Report:** Mr. Allen reported on the first ten months of Fiscal Year 2021-22. Year to Date revenue is \$1.13 million and expenses are \$668K, with a balance of \$462K. Cash on hand is \$1.8 million.

**Legal/Regulatory Report:** Mr. Allen indicated the 2022 General Assembly had adjourned for the year without passing any legislation of significance to the board.

**Continuing Education Audit Update:** Mr. Allen announced that 153 continuing education audits were performed. Of those, all but twelve were found to be in full compliance. The Law Enforcement Committee has provided these individuals with an opportunity to catch up on their delinquent hours before engaging in disciplinary action.

**Board Elections:** Mr. Allen reviewed the election results for the three board seats to be appointed this summer. The names of the top six dentists and three dental hygienists will be forwarded to the governor's office for consideration. He further reminded the members that this would likely be the last meeting for Geoffrey Ball, Donna Ruley, and Susi Fallazadeh, whose board terms will end June 31, 2022.

*Motion: Move to adjourn. Introduced by Justin Kolasa; seconded by Geoffrey Ball. All were in favor; motion approved.*

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.