



MINUTES OF THE MEETING May 11, 2007

On the 11th of May 2007, Dr. Thomas M. Isbell, President, called the meeting of the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners to order. The following members were present:

Thomas M. Isbell, D.D.S.
John W. Ross, D.D.S.
Marc Muncy, D.D.S.
David Walker, D.D.S.
E. Wayne Looney, D.D.S.
Robert L. Jolly, Sr., D.D.S.
Ruby Faulconer
Barbara Fletcher

Executive Director Donna Cobb and Attorney William Trice were also present.

Dr. Isbell requested a motion for approval of the Minutes from March 2, 2007. With no changes, a motion was made and seconded to accept the Minutes. The motion passed.

Dr. Teresa Schultz appeared before the Board for an Arkansas dental license by credentials. With all paperwork submitted, a motion was made and seconded to grant Dr. Schultz an Arkansas dental license by credential. The motion passed.

Hillary Yates and Lori Darling-Gordon each appeared before the Board for an Arkansas dental hygiene license by credentials. Motions were made and seconded to issue a dental hygiene license to both Ms. Yates and Ms. Darling-Gordon. The motions passed.

Dr. Jose Turcios appeared with his sponsor, Dr. James Bevans, to request a provisional dental license. With some discussion, a motion was made and seconded to grant a provisional license to Dr. Turcios; the motion passed.

Per Board Orders, Deana Priest appeared before the Board to give an update on her progress. Ms. Priest and Dr. Lawson from the Medical Foundation reported complete compliance. A motion was made and seconded to allow Ms. Priest to attend every other Board meeting. The motion passed and Ms. Priest will return in September.

Next a Hearing was held for Kimberle Langston, RDH. Ms. Langston appeared in response to an Emergency Order of Suspension and Notice of Hearing in which she was charged with writing fraudulent prescriptions and obtaining legend drugs and scheduled medication by fraud. A motion was made and seconded to find her in violation of the Dental Practice Act and to revoke her dental hygiene license, with the revocation stayed for five years as long as she complies with the following conditions of her stay:

- Ms. Langston must enter a contract for monitoring and rehabilitation with the Arkansas Medical Foundation and comply with the terms of the contract.
- Ms. Langston must attend all future Board meetings and present proof of her compliance of conditions of stay and contract with Arkansas Medical Foundation to the Board.
- Ms. Langston must sign any release forms necessary so that the Board will have access to her monitoring and rehabilitation with other drug programs and provide the Board with quarterly updates as to her compliance.
- She must reimburse the Board the cost of the investigation and hearing in the amount of \$512.60.
- She must provide a copy of her Board Order to any licensed dentist in the State of Arkansas with whom she is working or employed.

Upon compliance with the above conditions of stay, her dental hygiene license will become unencumbered. Noncompliance will result in the revocation of her license. The motion passed.

Ann Slaughter Smith, D.D.S. met with the Board as per Board Order. Dr. Smith reported to the Board she was in the process of changing doctors and would have a report sent to the Board before the next meeting.

Cami Smith, R.D.H., appeared to update the Board on her compliance and reported that she was working as a temp for a Cabot dentist.

The following provisional licensees appeared before the Board to give an update on their progress:

- Dr. Lilliam Prado reported working at Pershing Dental Clinic under the supervision of Drs. Runsick, Jolly and Taveras. Dr. Jolly spoke on behalf of Dr. Runsick and informed the Board of their continued satisfaction with her dental skills. A motion was made and seconded to convert Dr. Prado's license from provisional to unencumbered. The motion passed.
- Dr. Patricia Zarruk appeared with her sponsor Dr. Bevans. Dr. Bevans reported that Dr. Zarruk was continuing to do very well. A motion was made and seconded to convert Dr. Zarruk's license from provisional to unencumbered. The motion passed.

Drs. Thien Chi Pham and Dr. David Malcolm Strange, Jr. appeared before the Board with their attorney Debby Nye. After a lengthy question and answer period, a motion was made to grant a license to Dr. Pham. The motion died for lack of a second. A motion was made and seconded to grant a license to Dr. Strange. With a vote of 2 in favor and 5 opposed, the application was denied.

Next the Board revisited a letter from Dr. Dania Tamimi inquiring if out of state Oral and Maxillofacial Radiologists need an Arkansas dental license in order to provide their services for Arkansas licensed dentists. A motion was made and seconded to inform Dr. Tamimi that an Arkansas dental license would be required. The motion passed.

The Board then reviewed a letter from Stephanie Greenlee concerning dental hygienists conducting dental screenings, at no charge, outside of the dental clinic without the accompaniment of an Arkansas licensed dentist. The Board instructed Ms. Cobb to respond to Ms. Greenlee that the screenings are allowed but cautioned that they are not allowed to diagnose or give a clean bill of health. The Board also suggested contacting the Office of Oral Health for guidelines concerning dental screenings.

Next on the agenda were letters from Dr. James Phillips voicing the concern of Arkansas' Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeons in regards to Level III sedations and the use of Halcion. The Board instructed the Rules and Regulations Committee to revisit Article XIII concerning the definition of Level III sedation and report back to the Board. The Board also asked the Committee to review conducting on-site inspections of all Level III permit holders.

The Board discussed an email from Chase Sossamon asking if dentists in the State of Arkansas can fit patients for oral appliances to treat sleep apnea. The Board response was affirmative.

Allison Pitigoi sent an email concerning the practice of dentistry. Ms. Cobb was instructed to refer Ms. Pitigoi to Mr. Trice.

Five applications for Conscious Sedation (Level III) permits were the next items on the agenda. A motion was made to table all applications until the Rules and Regulations Committee reviews Article XIII and reports back to the Board. The motion passed by consensus.

In his Attorney's Report, Mr. Trice discussed Senate Bill 189 mandating a doctor/patient relationship before prescribing. Mr. Trice also reported that all versions of the dispensing bills had been sent to an interim study committee.

In her Board office update, Ms. Cobb provided the Board with the latest financial reports and asked for questions. With no questions, she then asked for a motion to renew Mr. Trice's contract. A motion was made and seconded. The motion passed. Next Ms. Cobb asked if the Board would like to consider on-line renewals. The Board instructed Ms. Cobb to do further research and report back. The Board also reviewed the latest Newsletter draft and instructed the Board office to proceed with distribution. A request for AADE Citizen of the Year nomination was made. With no nomination, Ms. Cobb continued on to the next item by informing the Board members of the fiscal year ending on June 30th and requested that all TR1's be submitted before that date. Ms. Cobb reported that she had been asked by Dr. Wendell Garrett, President of the Arkansas State Dental Association, to write an article for the Journal. Ms. Cobb stated that each article would be submitted to the officers of the Board before publishing. The Board agreed. Permission for Ms. Cobb to attend the annual American Association of Dental Administrators meeting was granted and it was decided to set future meeting dates during the July meeting.

Dr. Marc Muncy gave the Complaint Committee Report. The Committee met the previous evening and reviewed ten complaints. All complaints were found to have no apparent violation. The next Complaint Committee meeting is scheduled for July 5, 2007, at 6 pm.

In his SRTA report, Dr. Looney reported that exams are underway and the SRTA website had been redesigned.

Ms. Barbara Fletcher reported the minutes of the Oral Health Coalition meetings were in the Board packets for review.

The Board reviewed and approved the following fictitious names:

Centre @ Ten Group (Drs. Drake Hawkins & Gary Weisbly)
Family Dental Center (Drs. Robert Tinnin & Robert Harris)
Hilltop Family Dentistry (Dr. Jeremy Adams)
Batesville Dental Care (Dr. Bradley Slaughter)
Universal Dental Center (Dr. Cesar Cruz Zamora)


Continental Dental Care (Dr. Cesar Cruz Zamora)

The following fictitious name was tabled:

Arkansas School of Dental Assisting (Dr. Bradley Slaughter)

The next meeting of the Board will be held Friday, July 6, 2007. With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marc Muncy" followed by the year "2007".

Marc Muncy, D.D.S.
Secretary/Treasurer