

Minutes of the Meeting  
October 3, 2003

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of October 2003, an emergency meeting of the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners was held at the Board office. The following Board members were present:

Joseph Detherage, D.M.D., M.D. (via telephone)  
W. Gene Jines, D.D.S.  
E. Wayne Looney, D.D.S.  
David E. Walker, D.D.S.  
Thomas Isbell, D.D.S.  
Jan K. Blancett, R.D.H.  
Barbara Fletcher

Kevin O'Dwyre (attorney, Howell, Trice, Hope & Files Law Firm) and Andy Davis (reporter, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette) were also present.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the personnel performance of the Board office staff. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Deatherage. An executive session was then called and Mr. Davis was asked to leave the meeting room. After some discussion, Judith Rickard, Executive Director, was asked to join the Board members in the executive session.

After more discussion, the executive session ended and Mr. Davis along with the Board staff (Donna Cobb, Meredith Rogers, and Courtney Cobb) were asked to join the meeting. As a result of the executive session, Ms. Rickard resigned effective immediately.

The executive session was reconvened about related personnel issues. No official actions were taken.

The executive session ended and the Board went into public session. Dr. Looney made a motion to appoint an executive committee to handle the day-to-day questions from the office. Jan Blancett, Dr. Jines, and Barbara Fletcher were appointed to the committee. The motion passed. Dr. Looney also made a motion to pay the security guard who accompanied Ms. Rickard when she exited the Board office with her belongings. A motion was also made to pay the locksmith who changed the locks and issued new keys to the Board staff. The motions passed.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for November 21, 2003, in the MainStreet Mall conference room C. There being no other business, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Wayne Looney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

E. Wayne Looney, D.D.S.  
Secretary/Treasurer