

**INDIANA STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**MINUTES**

**Friday, March 02, 2007**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Roger Murphy, DDS, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., in room W064 of the Indiana Government Center, 402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, 46204.

**Members present:**

Clance LaTurner, Consumer Member  
Matthew Miller, DDS  
Galen Williams, DDS  
Richard Newton, II, DDS  
Laverne Whitmore, LDH, BS, Vice-President  
Roger Murphy, DDS, President  
Harvey Weingarten, DDS

**Members absent:**

Jill Burns, DDS  
John Kostides, DDS  
Dale Sorenson, DDS

**Staff Present:**

Shelly Mazo, Director  
Melody Boone, Assistant Board Director  
Elizabeth Brown, Deputy Attorney General

**II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the March 2, 2007 amended agenda.

WEINGARTEN/MILLER  
Motion carried 6-0-1

**III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE AMENDED JANUARY 5, 2007 AND FEBRUARY 2, 2007 MEETINGS**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes of the January 5 and February 2 meetings.

#### **IV. ACTION ON APPLICATIONS**

##### **A. Vote on Endorsement Candidates**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the applications for licensure by endorsement for the following applicants:

Angela L. Baker, D.H.  
Nicole M. Hedgespeth, D.H.  
Barbara E. VanRite, D.H.  
Richard A. Bona, D.D.S.  
Lani L. Hoshaw, D.D.S.  
David M. Vieth, D.D.S..

WHITMORE/WEINGARTEN  
Motion carried 6-0-1.

##### **B. Examination Applications**

A motion was made and seconded to allow the following applicants to take the next available state law examination:

Angelina J. Blass, D.D.S  
Perihan A. Percinel, D.D.S.  
David E. Taylor, D.M.D.  
Courtney M. Huffman, D.H.

WHITMORE/WILLIAMS  
Motion carried 6-0-1.

##### **C. General Anesthesia/Deep Sedation Permit**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the GADS permit application of Cortland Caldemeyer, D.D.S.

WHITMORE/WILLIAMS  
Motion carried 6-0-1.

##### **D. Problem Endorsement/Examination Application**

The dental hygiene licensure by endorsement application of Stephanie Willis, LDH, was denied because she had not been practicing dental hygiene for two (2) out of the last five (5) years, and her NERB examination was taken more than five (5) years ago.

The application for licensure by endorsement for Christina Strickler, D.D.S. was approved, pending receipt of a new application and \$250.

NEWTON/WEINGARTEN  
Motion carried 6-0-1.

### **E. Probationary Reports**

The January and February Probationary reports from Dr. Joseph Hake regarding Dr. Penelope Dunlap's practice were reviewed by Dr. Weingarten. He found the reports satisfactory. He directed staff to contact Dr. Dunlap, and have her indicate the treatment plan (watch, restore, or seal) for future reports.

## **V. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

### **A. In the matter of Daniel J. Fink, DDS**

**Cause number 2006 DB 0006**

**Re: Petition for Extension of Emergency Suspension**

Counsel for the State: Mark Mader

Counsel for Respondent: Terry White, Respondent was also present

This hearing was being conducted because the original Emergency Suspension would have expired before the Board's April 13, 2007 meeting. Mr. White reported that Dr. Fink had been evaluated for rehabilitative purposes at a treatment facility in Mississippi. They had not yet received the report.

A motion was made and seconded to extend the Emergency Suspension on Respondent's license for an additional 90 days.

WEINGARTEN/WILLIAMS

Motion carried 6-0-1.

## **VI. OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. John Penrod Eades, DMD**

The Indiana Dental Association Wellness program notified the Board that Dr. Eades had relapsed from sobriety, and they were terminating their contract with him. Dr. Weingarten stated that when Dr. Eades' Emergency Suspension expires in May of 2007, he wanted the State to conduct a final disciplinary hearing in this matter.

### **B. Request to mail law exams to schools**

Deborah Carl, L.D.H., Program Director of the University of Southern Indiana, had made a request to the Board. Because of the distance from Evansville to Indianapolis, she wanted the Board to mail the Dental Hygiene Law examination to her to administer at the school. The Board denied this request.

### **C. Use of Lasers by Dental Hygienists**

Ms. Whitmore discussed the use of a newly-developed laser by dental hygienists. A lengthy discussion ensued about soft tissue, debridement, and the proper delegation of procedures in the practice of dentistry. The Board indicated that, unless they knew the capabilities of the laser in question, they could not state whether or not a dental hygienist could use it. In practice, the supervising dentist must use his or her professional judgment.

**VII. CORRESPONDENCE**

**A. Morbidity report**

Pursuant to 828 IAC 1-1-22 , a report must be submitted to the board when a procedure performed in a dentist's office results in hospitalization other than for the continuing treatment of infection that was the cause of the procedure or as a direct result of the patient's oral-facial pathology. Monica Munante-Paz, DDS, submitted this report, following an incident in which her patient swallowed a file and needed surgery.

The Board agreed that the report met all of the requirements of the law.

**B. NERB invitation to Indiana**

Dr. Weingarten reported to the Board that Dr. Sorenson, Dr. Jansen, Mrs. Whitmore, and himself would be attending this meeting and calibration session to represent Indiana.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

APPROVED:

DATE:

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Roger Murphy, DDS  
President

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