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Telephone Conference

PUBLIC MEETING

Monday, December 18, 2017 6:02 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes

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Public Comment time is available after roll call (beginning of meeting) and prior to adjournment (end of meeting). Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes for each individual. You may provide the Board with written comment to be added to the record.

Asterisks (*) denote items on which the Board may take action. Action by the Board on an item may be to approve, deny, amend, or table.

1. Call to Order, roll call, and establish quorum

Dr. Blasco called the meeting to order and Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel conducted the following roll call:

Dr. Timothy Pinther ("Dr. Pinther")PRESENT	Dr. R. Michael Sanders ("Dr. Sanders")PRESENT
Dr. Byron Blasco ("Dr. Blasco")PRESENT	Ms. M Sharon Gabriel ("Ms. Gabriel")PRESENT
Dr. Jason Champagne ("Dr. Champagne")PRESENT	Ms. Betty Pate ("Ms. Pate")PRESENT
Dr. Gregory Pisani ("Dr. Pisani")PRESENT	Ms. Yvonne Bethea ("Ms. Bethea")EXCUSED
Dr. Brendan Johnson ("Dr. Johnson")PRESENT	Ms. Nikki Harris ("Ms. Harris")EXCUSED
Dr. Ali Shahrestani ("Dr. Shahrestani")PRESENT	•

Others Present: Melanie Bernstein Chapman, Board General Counsel; Debra Shaffer-Kugel, Executive Director.

Public Attendees: No public attendees were present.

2. <u>Public Comment</u>: (Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes for each individual)

There was no public comment.

Note: No vote may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. (NRS 241.020)

Dr. Blasco welcomed Ms. Pate, Ms. Bethea, and Mrs. Harris to the Board as they were recently appointed to the Board. Dr. Blasco congratulated Dr. Pisani and Dr. Champagne on their reappointments to the Board.

*3. New Business: (For Possible Action)

General Counsel's Report (For Possible Action)

- *a. Consideration of Stipulation Agreements (NRS 622) (For Possible Action)
 - (1) Stephen Hahn, DDS

Dr. Blasco directed the Board's attention to Mrs. Bernstein Chapman. Mrs. Bernstein Chapman went over the provisions of the proposed stipulation agreement.

MOTION: Dr. Champagne moved that the stipulation agreement between the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners and Dr. Stephen Hahn be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Pisani. Motion was unanimously approved by the Board members present at this meeting.

(2) Mark J. Escoto, DDS

Dr. Blasco directed the Board's attention to Mrs. Bernstein Chapman. Mrs. Bernstein Chapman went over the provisions of the proposed stipulation agreement.

MOTION: Dr. Pisani moved that the stipulation agreement between the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners and Dr. Stephen Hahn be adopted. Motion seconded by Dr. Shahrestani. Discussion: Dr. Blasco noted that on pages 14 and 15 of the stipulation agreement, it states that the drug testing for the first six months would be conducted on the 5th day of each month, and the following six months the testing will be conducted randomly. It was Dr. Blasco's recommendation that the first six months be done randomly and the following six months be done scheduled. There was further discussion regarding the suggested changes from Dr. Blasco. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel noted to the Board that Dr. Escoto would need to concur to the proposed changes. It was suggested by members of the Board that all testing be done randomly, which the Board expressed their agreement to the suggested change. Mrs. Bernstein Chapman stated that the Board could approve the proposed stipulation agreement pending the changes that would state that all 12 months of testing will be conducted randomly. Dr. Pisani amended his motion to adopt the stipulation agreement pending the approval of the proposed changes for all testing to be conducted randomly. Dr. Pinther amended his second to the motion to agree to the amended motion. Roll call vote:

Dr. Timothy Pintheryes	Dr. Ali Shahrestaniyes
Dr. Byron Blascoyes	Ms. M Sharon Gabrielyes
Dr. Jason Champagneyes	Ms. Betty Pateyes
Dr. Brendan Johnsonyes	Ms. Yvonne Betheaexcused
Dr. Gregory Pisaniyes	Mrs. Nikki Harrisexcused
Dr. R. Michael Sandersyes	

Motion passed; stipulation adopted pending approval of amended changes.

*b. Voluntary Surrender of License-NAC 631.160 (For Possible Action)

Dental:

(1) Benjamin Burris, DDS, MS

Dr. Blasco directed the Board's attention to Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel. Mrs. Shaffer-Kugel stated that Dr. Burris had no matters with the Board, and noted for the record that once a voluntary surrender is approved, it is absolute and irrevocable.

MOTION: Dr. Sanders moved that the Board approve the voluntary surrender of license from Dr. Benjamin Burris, was seconded by Ms. Gabriel. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

- *c. Grant Sophia Long, Deputy Attorney General the authority to assign an agent/investigator to investigate pending complaint(s) against the following licensees-NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)
 - (1) Dr. Y
 - (2) Dr. Z

Mrs. Bernstein Chapman stated that to avoid any potential conflicts with the DSO panel regarding Drs. Y and Z; she recommended that the Board grant the deputy attorney general authorization to investigate the pending complaints.

MOTION: Dr. Pinther moved that the board approve to grant that the Deputy Attorney General investigate the matters regarding Drs. Y and Z, was seconded by Dr. Sanders. The motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

4. Public Comment: (Public Comment is limited to three (3) minutes for each individual)

There was no public comment.

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- 5. <u>Announcements:</u> There were no announcements made, other than to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.
- *6. Adjournment (For Possible Action)

Dr. Blasco called for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Dr. Pisani moved that the December 18, 2017 meeting of the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners be adjourned. Motion was seconded by Dr. Sanders at 6:20 p.m., and without discussion, unanimously approved by the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Shaffer-Kugel, Executive Director