



# NEVADA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS



## Meeting Location:

Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners  
6010 S. Rainbow Blvd, Suite A-1  
Las Vegas, NV 89118

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## Meeting Date & Time

Thursday, April 16, 2020  
6:30 p.m.

## MINUTES

## NOTICE OF AGENDA & TELECONFERENCE MEETING FOR THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

(Ron West, DMD, (Chair); W. Todd Thompson, DMD; Ron Lemon, DMD; Betty Pate, RDH; Gabrielle Cioffi)

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**Note:** Asterisks (\*) "**For Possible Action**" denotes items on which the Board may take action.

**Note:** Action by the Board on an item may be to approve, deny, amend, or tabled.

### 1. Call to Order

- Roll call/ Quorum

Chairman West called the meeting to order and Ms. Stratton conducted the following roll call:

Dr. Ronald West (Chair) -----	Present
Dr. Ron Lemon -----	Present
Dr. Todd Thompson -----	Present
Ms. Betty Pate -----	Present
Ms. Gabrielle Cioffi -----	Present

62 **Others Present:** Brad Slighting, Interim General Counsel; Candice Stratton, Interim Executive Director, Rigo  
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65 **Public Attendees:** Mr. Chuck Zeh, Esquire, on behalf of Dr. Georgene Chase.  
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67 **2. Public Comment:** The public comment period is limited to matters specifically noticed on the agenda. No action may be  
68 taken upon the matter raised during public comment unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as  
69 an action item. Comments by the public may be limited to three minutes as a reasonable time, place and manner restriction,  
70 but may not be limited based upon viewpoint. The Chairperson may allow additional time at his/her discretion.  
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72 Mr. Chuck Zeh, Esquire, spoke on behalf of Dr. Georgene Chase, and indicated that unless the  
73 Committee was inclined to reinstate Dr. Chase's dental license, he did not waive the notice requirement  
74 under the open meeting law. He is requesting a hearing. Brad slighting spoke up and indicated he spoke  
75 with Mr. Zeh earlier in the day and Mr. Zeh stated they are not waiving the notice requirement pertaining  
76 to agenda item 4(a)(1). Mr. slighting indicated that they intend to request to remove item 4(a)(1) under  
77 section 3(a). Brad's recommendation as counsel was to remove the item and reschedule to give proper  
78 notice.  
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80 **\*3. Chairman's Report:** David Lee, DMD (For Possible Action)  
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82 **(a) Request to remove agenda item(s)** (For Possible Action)  
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84 Request was made to remove items 4(a) and 4(c)(1). Motion was combined with 3(b), see below.  
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86 **(b) Approve Agenda** (For Possible Action)  
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88 MOTION: Committee Member Thompson motioned to approve the agenda with the noticed items (see  
89 3[a] above) for removal. Motion seconded by Committee Member Lemon. All were in favor, motion  
90 passed.  
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92 **\*4. New Business:** (For Possible Action)  
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94 ~~**\*a. Review and discussion of the request for reinstatement of license that is currently suspended**~~  
95 ~~**due to the failure to comply with Paragraph 23(C) and 23(G) of the Disciplinary Stipulation**~~  
96 ~~**Agreement, and recommendations to the full Board for consideration and approval**~~  
97 ~~(For Possible Action)~~  
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99 (1) Georgene Chase, DDS  
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101 By motion of the Board, this agenda item was removed.  
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103 ~~**\*b. Review and discussion of the request for reactivation of suspended license for non-renewal**~~  
104 ~~**and review terms and conditions of the stipulation agreement approved January 24, 2014,**~~  
105 ~~**and recommendations to the full Board for consideration and approval**~~ (For Possible Action)  
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107 (1) Craig S. Morris, DDS  
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109 Chairman West asked if all members reviewed the materials. Chairman West summarized the materials  
110 and all other members agreed with the summarization. Discussion was held.  
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112 MOTION: Committee Member Thompson motioned that the Committee's recommendation to the Board  
113 should be for the Board to not reinstate Dr. Morris' license. Motion seconded by Committee Member  
114 Cioffi. All were in favor, motion passed.  
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116 ~~**\*c. Consideration of Stipulation Agreements and possible recommendations to the full Board**~~  
117 ~~NRS 622 (For Possible Action)~~  
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119 (1) Kerry Davis, DDS  
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121 By motion of the Board, this agenda item was removed.  
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125 (2) Phillip Devore, DDS

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127 Chairman West asked for the committee members' thoughts on the stipulation. He gave a brief verbal  
128 synopsis of the case and a list of the items required in the stipulation agreement. Discussion held.  
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130 MOTION: Committee Member Thompson motioned that the Committee's recommendation to the Board  
131 is to accept the Stipulation agreement. Motion was seconded by Committee Member Cioffi. All were in  
132 favor, motion passed.  
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134 (3) Ammar Kerio, DMD

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136 Chairman West asked if all members were aware of Dr. Kerio's information, provided to them. Chairman  
137 Thompson gave a brief verbal synopsis of the case and a list of the items required in the stipulation  
138 agreement. Discussion held.  
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140 MOTION: Committee Member Lemon motioned that the Committee's recommendation to the Board is  
141 to accept the Stipulation agreement. Motion was seconded by Committee Member Thompson. All were  
142 in favor, motion passed.  
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144 **\*d. Review and Discussion of the Board's complaint process, and possible recommendations for**  
145 **changes for consideration and approval by the full Board** (For Possible Action)  
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147 Chairman West gave a synopsis of the current complaint process. Chairman West referenced a prior  
148 board audit and the complaint process pre-audit. Discussion was held regarding possible changes to the  
149 current complaint process, changes to the process regarding complainant withdrawal requests and  
150 consideration of a possible peer-review-like process. Chairman West suggested that all committee  
151 members individually reach out to 1-2 states to inquire about those respective states' complaint  
152 processes to then share the information with the committee at a future meeting . Item ultimately tabled  
153 with no action taken beyond discussion.  
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155 **e. Discussion of pending disciplinary matters requiring action by the Board**  
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157 Committee Member Lemon inquired about complaints received regarding businesses operating under  
158 'business as usual' following the directive from the Governor recommending emergency treatment only.  
159 Committee Member Lemon also inquired about the Board's position in enforcement of the directive.  
160 Discussion held.  
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162 **5. Public Comment:** This public comment period is for any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the public body. No action  
163 may be taken upon the matter raised during public comment unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the  
164 agenda as an action item. The Chairperson of the Board will impose a time limit of three (3) minutes. The Chairperson may  
165 allow additional time at his/her discretion.  
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167 There was no public comment.  
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169 **6. Announcements**  
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171 There were no announcements.  
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173 **\*7. Adjournment** (For Possible Action)  
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175 Chairman West called for adjournment.  
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177 MOTION: Committee Member Thompson motioned to adjourn the committee meeting. Motion  
178 seconded by Committee Member Lemon. All were in favor, motion passed.  
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180 Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.  
181 Respectfully submitted:

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185 Frank DiMaggio, Executive Director