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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE & BOARD MEETING AGENDA

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date & Time

Wednesday, April 30, 2025
6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location

Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners
2651 N. Green Valley Pkwy, Ste. 104
Henderson, NV 89014

Video Conferencing/ Teleconferencing Available

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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 table it.

1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call/Quorum

Committee Members' Present: Dr. Joshua Branco (Chair), Dr. Ron West, Dr. Christopher Hock, Dr. Joan Landron, Dr. Ashley Hoban.

Committee Members' Absent: NA

Sub-Committee Members' Present: Dr. Amanda Okundaye, Dr. Kevin Moore, Dr. James Schlesinger, Dr. Ted Twesme.

Board Staff Present: Director Higginbotham, A. Cymerman, M. Ramirez, DAG Weiss.

2. Public Comment (Live public comment by teleconference and pre-submitted email/written form):

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The Chair may prohibit comment if the content of that comment is a topic that is not relevant to, or within the authority of, the Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners, or if the content is willfully disruptive of the meeting by being irrelevant, repetitious, slanderous, offensive, inflammatory, irrational, or amounting to personal attacks or interfering with the rights of other speakers.

Clay Griffith, a representative from Vesper Institute, read a letter that was submitted into the public comment record and public board book. The letter from Vesper Institute is attached to the board meeting minutes.

3. Old Business: (For Possible Action)

- a. NA**

NA

4. New Business: (For Possible Action)

- a. Review, Discussion and Possible Recommendation of the Anesthesia Committee Bylaws to the Board – NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)**

Director Higginbotham communicated the proposed committee bylaw summary and described how the committee's bylaw is part of a larger project to re-establish and modernize the Board's organizational and operational bylaws.

A motion to approve the anesthesia committee and sub-committee bylaws and the recommendation to approve to the full Board was made by Dr. West and seconded by Dr. Hock

No discussion on the agenda item.

All committee members voted 'AYE'.

- b. Review, Discussion and Possible Recommendation on the Appropriate Medications and Dosages for Moderate Sedation to the Board – NRS 631.190, NAC 631.030, NAC 631.033, NAC 631.035 (For Possible Action)**

The committee and sub-committee members discussed the level of midazolam totals in 20-30 mg is encroaching on deep/general anesthesia. The members communicated that using those doses under a moderate sedation permit puts patient safety at risk of un-rescued respiratory depression due to the equipment for general anesthesia permit not being required for moderate sedation permit. The members discussed the impracticality and inflexibility of hard number dose limits. The members discussed requesting an advisory opinion citing package inserts and manufacturers' instructions.

A motion to draft an Advisory Opinion based on the discussions from the committee and sub-committee members instructing permittees to following FDA package insert maximum recommended dosages for drugs used in moderate sedation to be approved by the full Board and to for the committee to deny permits when drug levels and dosages are outlier/high-risk was made by Dr. West and seconded by Dr. Hock

No discussion on the agenda item.

All committee members voted 'AYE'.

5. Public Comment (Live public comment by teleconference):

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6. Announcements:

No announcements

7. Adjournment: (For Possible Action)

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Dr. West, and the motion was seconded by Dr. Hock.

No discussion on the agenda item.

All committee members voted 'AYE'.