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NEVADA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE & BOARD MEETING AGENDA

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date & Time

Wednesday, May 14, 2025
6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location

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

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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

Board Members' Present: Dr. Ron West (President), Dr. Steifel (Secretary-Treasurer), Dr. Lance Kim, Dr. Joshua Branco, Dr. Christopher Hock, Dr. Joan Landron, Dr. Ashley Hoban, Ms. Kimberly Petrilla, Ms. Jana McIntrye, Ms. Yamilka Arias.

Board Members' Absent: Michele Pontoni

Board Staff Present: Director Higginbotham, A. Cymerman, M. Kelley, S. Barjon, M. Ramirez, L. Chagolla

- 2. Public Comment (Live public comment by teleconference and pre-submitted email/written form):** The public comment period is limited to matters specifically noticed on the agenda. No action may be taken upon the matter raised during the public comment unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item. Comments by the public may be limited to three (3) minutes as a reasonable time, place and manner restriction, but may not be limited to based upon viewpoint. The Chairperson may allow additional time at his/her discretion.

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Nicole Brewster requested follow up on dental therapy license software and vendor regulations. Director Higginbotham advised no additional updates at this time.

3. President's Report: (For Possible Action)

- a. Request to Remove Agenda Item(s) (For Possible Action)

NA

- b. Approve Agenda (For Possible Action)

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Dr. Streifel, and it was seconded by Ms. Petrilla.

No discussion.

All members voted 'AYE.'

4. Secretary-Treasurer's Report: (For Possible Action)

- a. Approval/Rejection of Minutes – NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)

- i. April 9, 2025 - Full Board Meeting
 - ii. April 23, 2025 – Infection Control Committee
 - iii. April 24, 2025 – Continuing Education Committee
 - iv. April 30, 2025 – Anesthesia Committee
 - v. May 7, 2025 – Legal, Legislative, and Dental Practice Committee
 - vi. May 8, 2025 - Continuing Education Committee

A motion to group the minutes and approve was made by Ms. McIntyre, and it was seconded by Dr. Kim.

No discussion.

All members vote 'AYE.'

5. General Counsel's Report: (For Possible Action)

- a. Legal Actions/Litigation Update (For Informational Purposes Only)

NA

b. Regulatory Update (For Informational Purposes Only)

i. AB143

Director Higginbotham communicated the status of AB143, which is currently sitting in the Assembly Way and Means Committee. The committee meeting date to review AB143 is currently unknown.

ii. SB87

Director Higginbotham communicated that the status of SB78 has been heavily amended. The proposed five public members have been removed, the board's composition remains unchanged, and the board retains staff hiring ability. However, the bill is still in a skeleton form, and specific regulatory details are not yet clear.

Dr. West identified clerical error on the board agenda – SB87 incorrect. Corrected for the record the bill is SB78. Director Higginbotham confirmed.

c. Review, Discussion and Possible Approval/Rejection of Remands – NRS 631.3635; NRS 622A.170; NRS 622.330; NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)

i. Review Panel 1

1. Case # 2412
2. Case # 2414
3. Case # 2417
4. Case # 2418
5. Case # 2419
6. Case # 2422
7. Case # 2424
8. Case # 2427
9. Case # 2430
10. Case # 2441

A motion to group the cases from review panel 1 together and approve was made by Ms. Arias, and it was seconded by Dr. Hoban.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

ii. Review Panel 2

1. Case # 2255
2. Case # 2375
3. Case # 2386
4. Case # 2394
5. Case # 2397
6. Case # 2398
7. Case # 2447

A motion to group the cases from review panel 2 together and approve was made by Dr. Streifel, and it was seconded by Dr. Landron.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

iii. Review Panel 3

1. Case # 1658
2. Case # 1876
3. Case # 2086
4. Case # 2275
5. Case # 2455

A motion to group the cases from review panel 3 together and approve was made by Ms. McIntyre, and it was seconded by Dr. Streifel.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

- d.** Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of Stipulation Agreement – NRS 631.3635; NRS 622A.170; NRS 622.330; NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)

- i.** Case # 2108

A motion to approve the stipulation agreement was made by Dr. Hoban, and it was seconded by Dr. West.

No discussion.

All member voted ‘AYE.’

6. New Business: (For Possible Action)

- a.** Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of Committee Bylaws – NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)
 - i.** Anesthesia Committee and Sub-Committee Bylaws
 - ii.** Continuing Education Committee Bylaws
 - iii.** Infection Control Committee Bylaws
 - iv.** Legal, Legislative, and Dental Practice Committee Bylaws

A motion to group the bylaws together and approve was made by Dr. Streifel, and it was seconded by Dr. Hoban.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

- b.** Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of the Continuing Education Course Provider Application – NRS 631. 190, NRS 631.342, NAC 631.173 (For Possible Action)
 - i.** Course #19-016 (Updated Program)
 - ii.** Zest Education
 - iii.** Nevada Dental Foundation – Non-Profit

Dr. Kim communicated additional information regarding the CE courses, and communicated that the CE committee reviewed and approved the courses.

A motion to group the courses together and approve was made by Dr. West, and it was seconded by Dr. Kim.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

- c.** Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of 90-Day Extension of Temporary Anesthesia Permit – NAC 631.2254(2) (For Possible Action)
 - i.** Ouzhan Kalantari, DMD – General Anesthesia

A motion to approve the temporary anesthesia permit extension was made by Dr. West, and it was seconded by Dr. Kim.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

- d.** Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of Temporary Anesthesia Permit - NAC 631.2254; NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)

- i. David Lee, DMD – Moderate Sedation

A motion to approve the temporary anesthesia permit was made by Dr. Streifel, and it was seconded by Dr. Hoban.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

- e. Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval/Rejection of Permanent Anesthesia Permit – NAC 631.2235; NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)

- i. Iraj H Kasimi, DMD – Moderate Sedation
- ii. Nathan Antoine, DMD – Moderate Sedation
- iii. Tri Nguyen, DDS – General Anesthesia

A motion to group and approve the permanent anesthesia permits was made by Dr. Streifel, and it was seconded by Ms. Arias.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

- f. Review, Discussion and Possible Approval/Rejection for a Temporary (3-6 month) Infection Control Program Developer Position– NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)

Director Higginbotham communicated the need to standardize infection control inspection procedures and criteria statewide as well as the creation of different criteria as it pertains to different types of inspections. Director Higginbotham recognizes the need for input from a licensed dental professional with experience in board inspections to review and refine our current checklists, to ensure NRS, NAC, and CDC requirements for dental facilities are met. The position would build and develop a foundation for future training of board agents.

A motion to approve Temporary Infection Control Developer position was made by Dr. West, and it was seconded by Ms. Arias.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

7. Authorized Investigations

a. Dr. Z

A motion to approve the authorized investigation was made by Dr. West, and it was seconded by Dr. Streifel.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

b. Dr. Y

A motion to approve the authorized investigation was made by Ms. Arias, and it was seconded by Dr. Landron.

No discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

8. Advisory Opinion

- a. Review, Discussion and Possible Advisory Opinion on the subject of “Can faculty members with specialty licenses be assigned to oversee and teach in screening clinic?” – NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)**

Dr. West communicated that in his opinion specialty dentists should be allowed to screen patients in the clinic. He believes this falls within their scope, given their dental training and credentials, would support the school by increasing faculty involvement. He noted that the policy could be revisited if new guidance from NRS/NAC emerges.

A motion to allow specialty license holders to oversee and teach in the screening clinic and develop an advisory opinion outlining today's discussion and decision was made by Dr. West, and it was seconded by Dr. Hoban.

Dr. Branco asked for clarification on what constitutes a screening clinic as referenced.

Tina Brandon Abbott Angelo from UNLV SDM communicated that the screening clinic evaluates patient suitability assessing medical and dental condition to ensure patient is a good fit for the school.

All members voted 'AYE.'

- b. Review, Discussion, and Possible Advisory Opinion on the subject of "Can individuals licensed by the Board perform dental services in a location that has not satisfied the infection control inspection requirements of the Board as part of a mobile dentistry program or business?" – NRS 631.190 (For Possible Action)**

The board discussed issuing an advisory opinion to clarify that all dental services whether in brick-and-mortar offices, mobile units, or pop-up clinics, etc. must meet infection control inspection requirements of NRS/NAC. Due to a rise in uninspected temporary setups, the board emphasized that both the practicing dentist and the licensed owner are responsible for ensuring compliance. The advisory aims to raise awareness among licensees and businesses operating without current inspection, that the unit violates existing regulations, regardless of location or facility type.

The board voted to move forward with this advisory as a temporary measure while regulations are further clarified.

A motion to draft an advisory opinion to confirm that dental services can only be performed in locations that have been inspected for infection control was made by Dr. West, and it was seconded by Ms. Arias.

No further discussion.

All members voted ‘AYE.’

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Dr. Keith Benson asked if school-based sealant programs, like those by UNLV, would be covered in the infection control advisory opinion. The board confirmed that all programs whether university-led, nonprofit, or public health must meet infection control standards at every service location. New sites must be reported and included in their inspection plan.

10. Announcements:

No announcements.

11. Adjournment: (For Possible Action)

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Ms. Arias, and it was seconded by Dr. Kim.