

**Maine Board of Dental Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2009**

The Board meeting convened at 9:10 a.m.

Board Members Present: Drs. Denise Theriault, Philip Higgins, Jr., Jerrold Cohen, David Moyer and Charles Zois; Ms. Kristine Blaisdell; Ms. Diane Denk, Public Member and Mr. William Buxton, LD

Board Members Absent: Ms. Susanne LaVallee, RDH

Also Present: Bonnie Vaughan, IPDH; John Bastej, Maine Dental Association; Roger P. Martin, LD, Maine Denturist Society; Robert D. Palermo, LD, Maine Denturist Society; Dan Hollis, LD, Maine Denturist Society; Paul Levasseur, LD, Maine Denturist Society; Astrid Chiasson, LD, Maine Denturist Society; Shannon Gryskwicz, LD, Maine Denturist Society; John Merrill, LD, Maine Denturist Society; Dr. Richard McGuckin; Sue McGuckin; Mark Twitchell; Erika Twitchell, RDH; Robert Kiah; Dr. Howard Bates; Dr. David Wicks; Dr. David Pier, Maine Academy of General Dentistry; Dr. Brian Hunter; Dr. Jeffrey Jordan; Dr. Windy Thompson; Ms. L. F.; Dr. Jason Lenk; Dr. Michael Cwiklinski; Ms. J. E.; Dr. Elliot Schlang; Mr. Dennis Smith, Assistant Attorney General and Teneale Johnson, Executive Secretary

Dental Hygiene Subcommittee Update: The Subcommittee reported that they interviewed **Ms. Robyn (Copp) Bichrest** for a dental hygiene license and recommend that she be granted a license. Dr. Cohen made a motion to accept the Subcommittee's recommendation. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The Subcommittee interviewed Ms. Jessica Snowdeal, RDH concerning a request to sit for the Board's local anesthesia examination. Ms. Snowdeal has taken the Board exam two times and has not successfully completed it. She also has not provided a local anesthesia injection since 2002. The Board discussed possibly requiring a refresher course or skills assessment. The Subcommittee recommended that she be allowed to take the Board examination. Dr. Moyer made a motion to vote down the Subcommittee recommendation. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Dr. Moyer made a motion asking Ms. Snowdeal to contact Dr. Higgins, who would be willing to provide a refresher, and then she could re-take the Board examination. Ms. Denk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The Subcommittee also interviewed Mr. Christian Reilly who had a yes response on his reinstatement application. The Subcommittee recommended that the Board reinstate Mr. Reilly's dental hygiene license. Dr. Cohen made a motion to accept the recommendation. The motion was seconded and it passed unanimously. The Subcommittee reviewed the draft consent agreement for Ms. H.C. The Subcommittee voted to recommend that the Board offer the licensee the consent agreement as written. Dr. Cohen made a motion to accept the recommendation. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Higgins recused as the Complaint Officer. The Subcommittee also reviewed **Complaint 09-30** which involved a licensee allegedly removing a dental record from her former employer's office. The Subcommittee's recommendation was to dismiss the complaint with a letter of guidance indicating that if a record is removed from a dental practice, one must have the permission of the practice owner along with the patient's permission. Dr. Cohen made a motion to accept the

Subcommittee's recommendation. Ms. Denk seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Higgins recused as the Complaint Officer.

Minutes: Dr. Higgins made a motion to accept the June 12, 2009 minutes. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Moyer abstained.

Correspondence: The informal conference letter sent to the licensee in complaint 09-10 listed the incorrect tooth. Dr. Higgins made a motion to send a revised letter to the licensee indicating the correct tooth number, the maxillary permanent lateral incisor, not the canine. The motion was seconded and it passed unanimously.

Informal Conference – Complaint 09-25: Dr. Cohen made a motion to enter executive session at 9:46 a.m. Dr. Theriault seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The Board allowed the respondent's spouse and employer to remain in the room during the informal conference along with the complainant. The complainant alleged that the licensee wrongfully accused him of being a pedophile. Dr. Moyer made a motion to come out of executive session at 10:36 a.m. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Dr. Theriault made a motion to offer the licensee a consent agreement whereby the licensee would agree to a license probation of five years along with the following conditions: 1.) accept a reprimand for unprofessional conduct; 2.) reimburse the Board for costs incurred of \$52.50; and 3.) write a personal letter of apology to the complainant with a copy sent to the Board. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Higgins recused as the Complaint Officer.

LD 710 – An Act to Allow Qualified, Licensed Denturists to Practice to the Level of Their Educational Training: According to this new law which will take effect on September 12, 2009, the Board needs to formulate a certificate of oral health and develop an upgrade curriculum to be put into the Board's rules prior to January 1, 2010. One concern was that it appears that current licensees', who have not had the appropriate training, will have two years to complete the upgraded curriculum, and if not completed, licenses would not be renewed. Licensed denturists are due to renew their licenses at the end of 2010, and may not have an appropriate amount of time to complete the upgraded curriculum. The Board reviewed a letter received from Senator Elizabeth Schneider, Senate Chair of the Business, Research and Economic Development Committee, stating that it was not the intent of the BRED Committee to punish licensed denturists without a diploma, or negatively affect the status of their licenses during the two-year window. The individuals, who would be required to complete the upgrade curriculum, should be allowed a full two years to complete it, and then, if they have not provided proof of completion, their license would be subject to review.

What would be the minimum standard curriculum to be competent to provide partial dentures? The Board asked Mr. Buxton to contact Professor Mike Vakalis of George Brown University, and ask that he provide a presentation explaining the current curriculum and how it relates to partial denture construction.

Mr. Buxton made a motion to involve the Subcommittee on Denturists to draft preliminary documents for the minimum educational standard and contact Professor Mike Vakalis to be

involved with the discussions as well. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion. The Committee will bring the preliminary documents to the Board in September along with a preliminary Certificate of Oral Condition. The motion passed unanimously.

LD 565 – Resolve to Direct the Board of Dental Examiners to Review the Definition of “Edentulous Arch” in the Rules Governing Denturists: Dr. Higgins made a motion to leave the definition as it is. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed with Mr. Buxton opposed. The current definition is relevant for dental treatment purposes. Mr. Buxton made a statement that one of the questions that has been raised is, now that denturists will have the ability to do partial dentures, it does not matter what the definition is. Perhaps the Board should define a partially edentulous arch. It is a definition not the ability to do or not do something. With the new ability of licensed denturists to be able to fabricate and provide partial dentures, the definition of “edentulous arch” is not germane to the scope of practice. The definition will remain as it is within Chapter 1 of the Board’s rules.

The Board also spoke about possibly providing a definition of an over denture. The Board believes that there is a difference, and an over denture does also require a periodontal evaluation by a dentist, implant evaluation by a dentist, and a maintenance schedule by a dentist. The certificate of oral condition will be the key to making this work.

Meeting with Dr. Jeffrey Jordan re: Maine Care Services and Providers: The Board sent an invitation to Dr. Jordan, and to Ms. Linda Wacholtz of Prevention Partner, Inc., to come in and speak to them. Ms. Wacholtz notified the Board that she would not be able to attend the meeting, but Dr. Jordan was present. The Board asked Dr. Jordan questions pertaining to his association with Prevention Partners, Inc. He stated that he had seen an article in the paper and contacted Ms. Wacholtz about helping out. He was not looking for compensation, and did not receive compensation for his services. He also stated that he, himself is not registered as a Maine Care provider, he was just willing to volunteer, and still is.

Dr. Cohen made a motion to send a second invitation to Ms. Wacholtz, requesting to meet with her and listing the same questions that the Board wishes to discuss. Ms. Denk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2010 Board Meeting Dates: January 22; February 19; March 19; April 9; May 21; June 18; July 16; August 20; September 17; October 22; November 19; and December 17

Meeting with Dr. David Pier Re: Maine Academy of General Dentistry Moderate Sedation Educational Proposal for Three Live Patient Observation: Dr. Pier stated that the Maine AGD is very appreciative of being included in this process, but does wish to note that they are opposed to the 3 live patients observations needed in order to obtain a permit. Dr. Pier offered the previous proposals provided at the Board’s June meeting which were:

1. Telephone mentoring program;
2. Multiple dentists come in to same office each providing sedation (three at a time); or
3. Treat a patient with anxiolysis in their own office but utilize the moderate sedation

protocols.

Dr. Pier also presented another possibility as follows: There would need to be three applicants at once. They would bring their own pulse oximeter, and sedate three patients in a practice that has been inspected and under the direction/supervision of a current moderate sedation permit holder. Dr. Pier mentioned that perhaps the Knox Clinic could be utilized, which offers care to patients who cannot afford it. The applicants would perform a procedure on each of the three patients. These individuals would need to pay a fee of approximately \$600 to the person providing the training. The Board also discussed the possibility of affording out-of-state dentists with this opportunity as well. These individuals could possibly apply for a one-day temporary permit for educational purposes. The Board was very appreciative to Dr. Pier for the proposals presented.

The Board agreed to address how it will allow a permittee to sedate up to three patients in an educational setting.

Secretary's Desk:

The Board reviewed a request from Dr. P.M. asking to amend his current consent agreement by reducing his random testing from once a week to once every two weeks. Dr. Moyer made a motion to amend the consent agreement and change the random testing to once every two weeks. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Theriault recused.

Interviews for Licensure:

Dr. Windy Thompson

Ms. L.F., dental radiographer – Dr. Higgins made a motion to have staff complete her renewal process. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Dr. Jason Lenk

Dr. Higgins made a motion to grant a dental license to **Dr. Windy Thompson**. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed with Ms. Blaisdell abstained. Dr. Cohen made a motion to grant a dental license to **Dr. Jason Lenk**. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Complaint 06-49: – Board staff reported that the involved licensee is not in compliance with her consent agreement. Dr. Higgins made a motion to issue a complaint against the licensee for non-compliance with the consent agreement dated July 10, 2008. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Complaint 09-6 – G. Knock/P. Mooney: This complaint was previously tabled on June 12, 2009 and the Board requested that the licensee successfully complete a pre-approved risk management course within six months. Mr. Buxton made a motion to untable complaint 09-6. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Higgins recused, Dr. Moyer abstained and Dr. Cohen recused as the Complaint Officer. Dr. Theriault made a motion to dismiss the complaint and acknowledge the licensee's completion of the course as requested. Ms. Blaisdell

seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Higgins recused, Dr. Moyer abstained and Dr. Cohen recused as the Complaint Officer.

Complaint 09-15 (Follow Up): – This complaint was previously dismissed. The complainant sent a letter relating her dissatisfaction with the Board’s dismissal. The Board was not presented with any new information; therefore, the letter was accepted as an FYI.

Complaint 09-20 – S. Klinker/J. Terrill: The complainant in this case alleged that the licensee (also former employer) extracted the incorrect tooth on a patient and then changed the patient record. Dr. Higgins made a motion to dismiss the complaint as no violation of the Dental Practice Act and issue the licensee a letter of guidance that he does not appear to be licensed as a naturopathic physician in the state of Maine and he should not be utilizing the initials N.M.D. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion, it passed with Ms. Denk opposed, and Dr. Moyer recused as the Complaint Officer.

Complaint 09-23 – B. Hallisey/E. Barrood: The complainant alleged that he was not offered additional options for treatment of his tooth. Dr. Cohen made a motion to dismiss the complaint as no violation of the Dental Practice Act. Dr. Zois seconded the motion. The motion was amended to issue the dismissal with a letter of guidance stating that in future, if the patient questions the treatment decision, he should provide palliative care to allow the patient to make a decision in a non-emergent state. Dr. Zois seconded the amended motion and it passed with Dr. Moyer recused as the Complaint Officer.

Interviews for Licensure:

Dr. Brian Hunter
Dr. Michael Cwiklinski
Ms. J.E., Dental Radiography applicant

Dr. Cohen made a motion to grant **Dr. Brian Hunter** a dental license upon completion of his application file. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Moyer recused. Dr. Cohen made a motion to grant **Dr. Michael Cwiklinski** a dental license upon completion of his application file. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Moyer recused. Dr. Cohen made a motion to grant **Ms. J.E.** a dental radiography license. Ms. Blaisdell seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Moyer recused.

Interview for Licensure: Elliot Schlang, DDS

Complaint 09-26 – G. Knock/A. Pinkham: The complainant in this case alleged that the licensee did not inform her of what treatment he was providing and is concerned that the licensee removed too much bone. Dr. Higgins made a motion to dismiss the complaint as no violation of the Dental Practice Act with a letter of guidance indicating that the Board finds his informed consent form inadequate for the education of his patients, particularly in regards to surgical procedures. The Board suggests that he create a more detailed informed consent form. Ms. Denk seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Cohen recused as the Complaint Officer.

Complaint 09-28 – J. Kippax/K. Gendron: The complainant alleged that the licensee pulled the incorrect tooth and changed the date on her dental records. Dr. Cohen made a motion to dismiss the complaint as no violation of the Dental Practice Act, issue a letter of guidance indicating that he should be providing a complete and thorough diagnosis, report that on the chart before commencing surgery, and include indications for treatment. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Moyer recused as the Complaint Officer. Dr. Moyer will review the letter.

Complaint 09-29 – A. Park/L. Jacobs: The complainant in this case alleged that a former employer (dentist) billed for her treatment, before it was provided. Dr. Moyer made a motion to dismiss the complaint as no violation of the Dental Practice Act, and issue a letter of guidance indicating that they not submit billing for procedures prior to at least the beginning of the treatment to be performed or after the treatment is complete. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Higgins recused as the Complaint Officer.

Complaints 08-35 and 08-37: The complainant in the case sent a letter of his dissatisfaction with the Board's previous decisions on the above two cases. The Board previously tabled complaints 08-35 and 08-37 and asked that the licensees' take some continuing education courses within six months. Dr. Higgins made a motion stating that the complaints have been acted upon and he has presented no new information. Therefore, there is nothing for the Board to address. Ms. Denk seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Cohen recused as the Complaint Officer.

Dental Applicant – Mary Jane Hanlon-Rogers: The Board previously tabled the application for Dr. Hanlon-Rogers and asked that she forward additional information concerning a malpractice payment. Dr. Cohen made a motion to untable the application. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Dr. Cohen made a motion to grant **Dr. Mary Jane Hanlon-Rogers** a dental license upon completion of her application file. Ms. Denk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Vote on Interview for Licensure:

Dr. Higgins made a motion to grant **Dr. Elliot Schlang** a dental license. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Revisit Complaint 09-20 – S. Klinker/J. Terrill: Dr. Higgins made a motion to rescind the previous decision above and to dismiss complaint 09-20 as no violation of the Dental Practice Act. A separate letter will be sent to the licensee, which will address the licensee's apparent inappropriate use of N.M.D, as he does not appear to hold a Maine Naturopathic license, and asking him to discontinue his use of the initials. Ms. Denk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Complaint follow up 09-10: (scheduled for IC in September) The Board reviewed an additional response from the licensee along with a letter from her legal counsel. The Board agreed to send a letter stating that even though you have provided us with an additional response, the Board

would still like to speak with the licensee at the scheduled informal conference and ask that she attend in person, not by telephone. The Board also wishes to discuss what steps she has taken to ensure that the same incident will not happen again. The motion was seconded and it passed unanimously with Dr. Moyer recused as the Complaint Officer.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Dr. Cohen made a motion to accept the report. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

President's Desk:

Dr. Theriault asked whether the Board would like a dentist Board member sitting on the continuing education sub-committee. Dr. Cohen agreed to sit on the sub-committee again.

Dr. Theriault reported that she appointed Dr. Zois to sit as a dentist member on the Dental Hygiene Subcommittee and that today was his first meeting.

Dr. Theriault reported that she heard from Dr. Ross Wyman of ADEX, who indicated that their members are again, unable to attend the September meeting, but suggested that some individuals may be able to be present via conference call. The Board chose not to wait to speak with them and just move forward with the proposed rule change to remove the requirement of the NERB DSCE/CSCE for initial licensure. The Board accepted this information as an FYI.

Old Business:

The Board briefly discussed Dr. Bunin-Stevenson's letter regarding the availability of an appropriate moderate sedation course that includes the three live patient observations. Board staff reported that Dr. Stevenson has in fact filed an application for moderate sedation, which is still awaiting more documentation before a provisional can be issued. If she is not all set with her coursework, the Board will send her a letter with an update on what the Board is working on with the assistance of the Maine AGD.

Addition: Board Staff was asked to include a note in the dental renewal forms about the Waiver Form for Moderate Sedation and that it is only acceptable until February 11, 2010.

Subcommittee concerning UNE dental school: Ellen Beaulieu, of UNE, Dr. Higgins, Dr. Theriault and Dennis will meet and bring something back to the Board for review. (Staff will download the Arizona dental board rules)

Dr. Higgins Daylong Course re: IPDH; Maine Care; PHS; etc.: The committee should include Ms. Bonnie Vaughan, IPDH, Judy Feinstein of the Oral Health Program, and Judy Metcalf of UNE. This committee will meet and flush out an outline for a course and present it to the Board.

E-mail from Mary Garrepy Re: Packing Cords for Crown Preps and Board Newsletters: The licensees' of the Board are obligated to understand what the allowable procedures are for

dental auxiliaries. Also, include that if it is not stated, it cannot be done. This item will be placed on the Board Bulletin.

Addition: The Board discussed holding a brainstorming session with the various professional societies to discuss what information should be and/or needs to be disseminated to the licensees of the Board.

Letter from Dr. John Ellis, Jr., DDS Re: Supervising Physician: Dr. Cohen made a motion to send a letter honoring Dr. Ellis' request and include how pleased the Board is in his recovery. Ms. Blaisdell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

E-mail from Adele Gilpin, JD, PhD. Re: Clarification of MBDE Policies on Prescriptive/Use Authority for Botox and Dermal Fillers: Dr. Gilpin questioned the difference between an oral surgeon and an oral and maxillofacial surgeon as referenced to in the Board policies relating to Botox and Dermal Fillers. Dr. Higgins made a motion stating that there is no difference and that the policy should read Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon, and thank her for pointing out inconsistencies. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The Board discussed whether to identify procedures within the DPA that are applicable to Botox and/or Dermal Fillers or whether they should approach the topic through the licensees training, however decided to not take any action at this time.

E-mail from Robert Schaedel, DMD Re: Restructuring of Anesthesia Subcommittee: Dr. Schaedel submitted names of individuals who would be willing to assist on the Anesthesia Inspection Team. Dr. Higgins made a motion to accept the names provided. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Letter from C.S. Maller, DMD Re: Board Acceptance of ADSA Alternative to ACLS for Anesthesia Permits and Acceptance of a Nitrous Oxide Course for Hygienists: The Board does accept other ACLS courses at its discretion. Dr. Higgins made a motion to respond that when an outline for the ACLS replacement course from the ADSA is received, it will be reviewed for appropriateness. In addition, if he submits the nitrous oxide course syllabus, that can also be reviewed for appropriateness by the CE committee. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Letter from Randall Manning, MBA, Executive Director, BOLIM Re: LD 1193: Dr. Higgins provided a report of his meeting with the Board of Licensure in Medicine concerning the development of a joint rule concerning opiate prescribing. The Board accepted the information as an FYI.

The Board does wish to recommend its dental licensees to enlist with the Prescription Monitoring Program and inform licensees of how they can access it. This will be added to the brainstorming discussion list mentioned above.

E-memo from ADA Re: ADA CERP Call for Written Comments: The Board accepted the information as an FYI.

Review of Renewal Application Questions Relating to Malpractice: Dr. Moyer made a motion to change two questions on the renewal application. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Continuation of LD 565 and LD 710: The Board agreed to have the Denturist Subcommittee members convene on August 26, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

Letter Re: Reachout Healthcare America Mobile Dental Clinic for U.S. Military Personnel:

The Board received information from two individuals through Senator Susan Collins' office regarding various concerns including infection control procedures utilized in a recent visit to a mobile dental clinic. Dr. Higgins made a motion to send a letter to Reachout Healthcare America regarding the information received noting that the Board is very concerned with the information alleged in the letter and ask them to respond. The letter will be copied to the appropriate Military department, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Senator Collins' office and the two individuals who submitted the letter.

Rule Changes for Chapters 7 and 14: No comments were received concerning the proposed rule changes. Dr. Higgins made a motion to adopt chapters 7 and 14 as proposed. Ms. Blaisdell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Letter from Jonathan Shenkin, DDS, MPH, Maine Dental Association Re: LD 565: Dr. Shenkin submitted a letter on behalf of the MDA concerning the resolve to direct the Board to review the definition of "edentulous arch" in the rules governing denturists. The Board accepted the information as an FYI as they had previously addressed the issue.

Letter from Jonathan Shenkin, DDS, MPH, Maine Dental Association Re: Prevention Partners Permission Slips and Quality of Care for Maine Children: Bearing in mind that this particular entity is dissolving, the Board agreed to make this a topic of the day-long seminar that the Board would like to put together.

2009 Possible Rule Changes: The Board agreed to table this item to the following month.

Letter from Robert Massucco, DDS Re: Consent Agreement Requirements: Dr. Massucco requested that the Board send a letter of release to the Medical Professionals Health Program in order to be released from the program. Dr. Higgins made a motion to send a letter to the licensee stating that the Board understands that he has a medical condition and before it takes any action on his consent agreement, the Board would like information on his current medical situation and his intention to continue practicing dentistry in Maine. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Two requests from Dr. Edward Laga Re: Consent Agreement Requirements: Dr. Cohen made a motion to grant Dr. Laga's request to amend his consent agreement to require the pharmacy to provide inventory once per week instead of once per day. Ms. Denk seconded the

motion and it passed unanimously. Dr. Higgins made a motion to amend the providing psychiatrist to Ms. Mari Cochran. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Information Received Re: Licensed Denturist: Dr. Cohen made a motion to generate a Board complaint for alleged unprofessional conduct. Dr. Zois seconded the motion and it passed with Dr. Theriault recused, as she will be the assigned Complaint Officer.

Memo from Dr. Gene Kramer, Secretary Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations Re: Request for Nominations for Public Member: Dr. Higgins made a motion that the Board nominate Ms. Denk and submit a letter of support. Dr. Cohen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Fax from Dr. Emily Gazitua Re: Guidance on Blood Pressure Readings: The Board agreed to send a response to Dr. Gazitua indicating that they believe she should be the one making these decisions. Dr. Higgins will draft the letter.

Letter to Dr. Simmons from Licensee Re: T.A.'s Consent Agreement: Table and request the frequency of her current testing and bring back to the Board's September meeting.

Request from Pamela Logan for an Extension of Time to obtain her CPR Re-certification: Dr. Cohen made a motion to grant Ms. Logan a six-month extension of time to complete her re-certification. She will be notified that she is welcome to attend Dr. Theriault's scheduled CPR class to be held in September or October. Dr. Higgins seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

E-mail from Rob Kapp, AADE Re: Open Forum at the AADE Annual Meeting: The Board accepted the information as an FYI.

E-mail from Joan E. Miles Re: Decision Conditions: Ms. Miles stated that she would like to know if she is in compliance with the Board's conditions concerning her Decision dated November 3, 2006 in which the Board revoked her dental hygiene license. Dr. Higgins made a motion to send Ms. Miles a letter stating that the Board's records reflect payment of the Board costs were received on May 11, 2009. As a result, she is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Decision. In the event that she wishes to apply for reinstatement of her dental hygiene license, the Decision does state that the Board will need proof from the Maine Medical Professionals Health Program indicating that she has successfully participated in the program and would not pose a danger to the public. Ms. Blaisdell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Information Concerning the Suspended Hospital Privileges of a Licensee: The Board accepted the information as an FYI.

National Practitioner Data Bank Reports for Licensee: The Board requested that his file be flagged to ensure that he indicates the appropriate response on his upcoming license renewal.

E-mail from Cheri Skilling, RDH Re: PHS Dental Hygiene Announcement: Ms. Skilling previously met with the Board in January of this year concerning forming an LLC to perform services under Public Health Supervision. Ms. Skilling is now requesting whether she is able to put an announcement in The Kennebec Journal about her PHS, where she is located, and what services are offered. During its review, the Board could not remember what type of practice this was, or the conversation it had with Ms. Skilling in January. Ms. Blaisdell made a motion to send Ms. Skilling a letter requesting clarification of her workplace. Ms. Denk seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Letter of Retirement from Dr. Peter W. Swallow: The Board will send Dr. Swallow a letter of appreciation.

Dr. Cohen made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m. Dr. Moyer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teneale E. Johnson

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Executive Secretary