

# Memo

**To:** Lauren Jaccodine, Vicky Fedor, Becky Pugh, Susan Singer, Debbie Myers, Gail Woller, Natale Carmela, Mia LoGiudice, Carolyn Breen, Rhoda Gladstone, Christine Casile

**From:** Paul J. Bent

**CC:** Russell F. Bent

**Date:** October 7, 2013

**Re:** NJ State Board of Dentistry Public Session

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On Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, I had the pleasure of attending the meeting of the NJ State Board of Dentistry Public Session. The meeting was held at the Board Office in Newark and covered the following:

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** September 18, 2013 – Approved with minor changes.

## **II. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Applications:**

1. Ramin Kashani - Application for a dental license by credentials. Additional information requested at the July 10, 2013 meeting. Board received a copy of their WREB scores and found that they got a 70 on one section (needed a 75 to pass the section). Application has been denied as all sections of the WREB exam must have a passing score.

2. Crystil L. Glasser - Inquiry concerning NERB clinical exam. Ms. Glasser failed three times. An RDH applicant, she is asking for the Board to waive the waiting period which is imposed on people who fail

the exam three times. Board to respond that they don't have the authority as it is a policy matter with NERB. The Board will also suggest that she consider take a refresher course before retaking the exam.

3. Tammy D. Fish - Request for application process to reinstate her registered dental assistant registration that expired in 2004. Because of the length of time (greater than 5 years) she will need to pay a reinstatement fee, past fees, and retake the examination to get her RDA reinstated.

### **Continuing Education:**

No Report was given.

### **III. REPORTS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 13:30-8.8:**

1. Dr. Kathy Banks – 83 year old male presented with a “slow pulse” before treatment was rendered. Sent to the ER and later reported to be doing fine. Board accepted as informational.

2. Dr. Patrick Quaranta – 48 year old female patient felt dizzy and had some facial droop following a panorex xray. She was taken to the ER and later reported to be OK. Board accepted as informational.

### **IV. PROVISIONAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE TO BE FINALIZED:**

1. Dr. Ralph Famiglietti – Moved to Executive Session.

### **V. ORDERS FILED WITH THE BOARD:**

1. Dr. Robert Bates
2. Dr. Todd Gottlieb
3. Dr. Ralph Cicero
4. Dr. Lisa Gambino

All four were accepted by the Board without discussion.

## **VI. OTHER MATTERS:**

1. Michael Conte, UMDNJ - Additional information requested at the Board's July 10, 2013 in follow-up to Dr. Conte's correspondence regarding the need for clinic permits at community oriented dental education sites in which dental students practice. The Board is concerned about the use of unlicensed individuals, including students, at the faculty practice site as they feel the faculty practice is not part of the clinical education facilities of the school. The Board formed a committee to look at this which will most likely result in additional questions being sent to the dental school.

2. Information from Rutgers School of Dental Medicine concerning their Foreign Trained DMD Program. This was a response to the Board's inquiry about two limited teaching certificate applications (which had been approved) for two foreign trained dentists enrolled in the "Foreign Trained DMD Program" on a part time basis. The Board would like to know what "part time" means for the school and if the "part time" program has been approved by CODA.

This discussion "wandered" a little and crossed back over to issues with the faculty practice. The Board has asked staff to remind the Dean of the dental school that students should not be practicing at the faculty practice.

3. Press Release - Organization for Safety, Asepsis and Prevention offers hepatitis C prevention informational toolkit. Accepted by the Board as informational.

## **VII. APPEARANCES:**

1. 10:30 A.M. - Maryann Sheehan, Deputy Director Division of Consumer Affairs - Discussion concerning "Debt Collection Plan". Ms. Sheehan was unable to attend this meeting because of a scheduling conflict. This topic has been tabled for a later date.

2. 11:00 A.M. - Rachel D. Glasgow, Regulatory Analyst - Discussion concerning Assembly Bill #2882 which requires professional boards to provide credits toward requirements for licensure for veterans with substantially equivalent training. The Division of Consumer Affairs is

working on a template that all of the licensing boards can use in drafting regulations. The Board does not see this as greatly impacting how they handle dentists and RDH's. They see this applying more to RDA's. The draft language from the Division will be reviewed by the Boards rules & regs committee on October 16<sup>th</sup>.

I stressed to the Board our concerns about RDH applicants who did not go through a CODA approved program being licensed under this. They understood our concerns and indicated that they would not be waiving the CODA approved program requirement for licensure.

### **OFF AGENDA:**

Executive Director's Report – Jonathan Eisenmenger notified the Board of a "snafu" in the first four or five days with dental renewals in which 1,900 dentists were overcharged because the system did not recognize the credit the Board had previously approved. The system was taken off-line for 5 days and is now back up with the correct fee's. Reimbursement checks for those who overpaid have been approved and should go out soon.

RDH renewals will go out the first week of November.

ADEX is looking for highlights from the past year from all of the dental boards for their upcoming convention. Jonathan will review Board minutes and respond to the request.

### **HANDOUTS:**

A letter from a dentist at the Rutgers Dental School asking about non-cosmetic use of botox for pain management and the need for dentists in their fellowship program to take the 21 hour course to use botox.

The Board debated if the use of botox for pain management would need a certificate. Language from the regulations suggests that they might. Board will ask for the fellowship's curriculum to see if they can waive the 21 hour course for graduates of the fellowship.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Art Meisel of the NJDA asked for the status of the “group-on / living social” issue and told the Board that they would like Board action soon or they will seek a meeting with the Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT:**