

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: March 23, 2012

Re: NJ State Board of Dentistry Public Session

On Wednesday, March 7th, 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: February 15, 2012 – Approved with minor changes.

II. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Jonathan Eisenmenger will be speaking at UMDNJ and NYU in the near future.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Credentials:

- Liliana Scire - Application for reinstatement of her dental hygiene license. Board noted that she has not practiced as an RDH since 2001 (she has been working in the insurance industry since

then). Board voted to reinstate license upon successful completion of a refresher course.

- Dr. Christine Farah - Inquiry concerning dental licensure in New Jersey. She is asking if NJ would recognize her Florida (ADEX) exam which she took in May of last year. Board will respond yes, they will accept for reciprocity.
- Beth Corney, RDH - Inquiry concerning reinstatement of her dental hygiene license. She has asked the Board to keep her application open as she is trying to move from California to NJ but is having great difficulty selling her house. Normally, an application would be closed after a certain period of time has elapsed without completion by the applicant. Board voted to keep the application open but noted that some things, such as the criminal background check, made need to be repeated based on the time lapse.

2. Continuing Education: 10 remedial CE courses were approved and 7 were denied. 23 CE courses were reviewed with 2 going to Executive Session for advice of counsel.

IV. PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

1. A-4384 - Revises law concerning certain professional and occupational licenses. Tabled from the February 1, 2012 agenda.

Board is concerned about several inconsistencies in the legislation and they are inclined to oppose. They have instructed their counsel to draft a list of the inconsistencies for further review.

V. REPORTS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 13:30-8.8:

1. Dr. James Kang – 17 year old female fainted following care. Board accepted the report as informational.

2. Dr. Kevin J. Corry – 42 year old female appears to have had a reaction to ketamine following conscious sedation for an extraction. Board noted it has had prior reports with regard to problems with sedation. Board to send a advisory letter regarding the use of ketamine.

3. Dr. Richard J. Mercurio – Patient, who had received enteral conscious sedation, became unconscious and stopped breathing (was on a ventilator for 4 days). Board moved to Executive Session.

4. Dr. Ignatius Scalia – 51 year old patient who had received NO and LA passed away the following day. Patient had a significant medical history. Board to request the patients cause of death.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT AND ANSWER:

1. Daniel C. Campian (Unlicensed) – Has been accused of practicing dentistry without a license (preparing dentures to make a bridge). A charge he is contesting. Board has the option to hear the case themselves or refer it to an Administrative Law Judge. Board voted to hear the case and plans to do so in July.

VII. ORDERS FILED WITH THE BOARD:

1. Dr. Barry L. Litt - Consent Order of Reinstatement

2. Dr. Lawrence Gardner - Consent Order Reinstating License with Restrictions

Both orders accepted as informational by the Board.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS INQUIRIES:

1. Dr. Albert Turpie - Additional information in follow-up to his request for a waiver of the continuing education credits. Dr. Turpie reports that his wife is ill and he is heavily involved in a lawsuit with a home improvement contractor. Board voted to grant him an extension to June 30th.

2. Amy Matthes, RDH - Request for extension to complete the continuing education credits. Has completed 8 credits on-line, indicates she has a medical condition which has prevented her from completing the remainder.

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3. Deep Mukesh Desai, BDS, CDA - Inquiry about licensure/permit requirement for Dental Consultancy.
4. Dr. Harry Harcsztark - Request for credit for presenting the Botox course in 2008 and 2009.
5. Requests for removal of the disciplinary action from their files:
 - Dr. Gregory Belok
 - Dr. Mendel I. Markowitz
 - Dr. Albert J. Kurpis
6. Inquiry from Dr. Kellyann A. Metz questioning whether she can offer TMJ massage to her patients in her office.
7. Information concerning 2012 National Dental Examiners' Advisory Forum

IX. ADJOURNMENT: