



BOARD OF DENTISTRY 899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE  $-2^{ND}$  FL. WASHINGTON, DC 20002

Date: February 15, 2023

Time: 9:00 AM

OPEN SESSION
MEETING AGENDA

#### \*\*\*Please be advised that Board Meetings are recorded\*\*\*

#### **WEBEX Virtual Meeting**

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## BOARD OF DENTISTRY Open Session Agenda February 15, 2023

BOARD MEMBERS:	
Dr. John R. Bailey, DDS – Chairperson	
Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, DDS – Vice Chairperson	
Dr. Judith Henry, DMD - Board Member	
Ms. Dianne Smith, ESQ - Consumer Member	
Dr. Michelle Latortue, DDS - Board Member	
Vacant – (Dentist) Board Member	
Vacant – (Dental Hygienist) Board Member	
BOARD STAFF:	
Ericka L. Walker, MSW - Executive Director	
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	
Rebecca Odrick, Board Investigator	
Kathleen Ibeh, Health Licensing Specialist	
Zaneta Batts, Health Licensing Specialist	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Carla M. Williams, Senior Assistant General Counsel	





#### **BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

Open Session Agenda February 15, 2023

#### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

#### OS-0215-01 INTRODUCTIONS:

- A. Board Members
- B. Board Staff
- C. Public Attendance

#### OS-0215-02 OPEN SESSION AGENDA

#### **Board Action:**

Acceptance of the February 15, 2023, meeting agenda.

### OS-0215-03 OPEN SESSION MINUTES:

#### **Board Action:**

Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the January 18, 2023, meeting.

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### OS-0215-04 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

#### 1. BOD Calendar

- February 15, 2023
- March 15, 2023
- April 19, 2023, In-person
- May 17, 2023
- June 21, 2023
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#### 2. **BOD Census**

Dentists (1,253)

Dental Hygienists (517)

Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia (97)

Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia & Nitrous Oxide (73)

Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Nitrous Oxide (1)

Dental Assistant Level 1 (120)

Dental Assistant Level 2 (535)

Teaching Licenses for Dentists (1)

Teaching Licenses for Dental Hygienist (1)

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#### OS-0215-05 BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

#### The following Final Order has been issued:

#### OS-0215-06 BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

#### OS-0215-07 CONSENT AGENDA:

The following applications were reviewed by Dr. John Bailey (Chairperson), Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Vice-Chairperson), or Mrs. Ericka Walker (Executive Director), from **January 6 – February 8, 2023**:

DENA2100088	Deborah Smetana	New Registration	1/26/2023
DENA3000093		New Registration	1/19/2023
DENA4000044	Christina Watts	New Registration	1/19/2023
DENA5000043	Tiffany Anderson	New Registration	1/19/2023
HYG2001130	Danielle Jones	Endorsement	1/19/2023
DEN2000220	Christopher Salierno	Endorsement	1/19/2023
DEN2000234	Mohammad Rouhanian	Endorsement	1/19/2023
DEN2000239	Davina Bailey	Endorsement	1/19/2023
DEN2000240	Yun Kim	Endorsement	1/19/2023
DEN2000241	Mark Nunes	Examination	1/19/2023
DEN2000245	Faraz Shamsi	Examination	1/19/2023
DEN2000246	Nathanael Dejene	Examination	1/19/2023

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### OS-0215-08 LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Matteo Lieb, Legislative Affairs Specialist

#### OS-0215-09 PRESENTATION

Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. to present on the organization's dental exams.





#### OS-0215-10 LETTER FROM DR. ANDREA JACKSON

On February 1, 2023, the Board received an email and letter from Dr. Andrea Jackson, Dean of Howard University College of Dentistry. The letter is regarding teaching licenses for foreign trained dentists to alleviate faculty shortages.

A. Email and letter from Dr. Andrea Jackson

#### **BOARD ACTION:**

The Board to review and determine next steps in this matter.

#### OS-0215-11 DENTAL BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES

- 1. Credentials & Audits: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton and Dr. John Bailey.
- 2. Communications:
- 3. **Regulatory Affairs**: Dr. Judith Henry and Ms. Dianne Smith.

#### OS-0215-12 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC





#### **BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

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CLOSING		
OS-0215-13	MOTION TO CLOSE	
	The Board member should move as follows:	
	"Mister Board Chair, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14)."	
	ROLL CALL VOTE	
	This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.	

This ends the Open Session Agenda
The next meeting is scheduled on March 15, 2023

This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at <a href="mailto:opengovoffice@dc.gov">opengovoffice@dc.gov</a>.





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# **BOARD OF DENTISTRY Open Session Meeting Minutes January 18, 2023**

BOARD MEMBERS:		
Dr. John R. Bailey, DDS - Chairperson	Present	
Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, DDS- Board Member	Present	
Dr. Judith Henry, DMD - Board Member	Present	
Ms. Dianne Smith, ESQ - Consumer Member	Present	
Dr. Michelle Latortue, DDS-Board Member	Present	
Vacant – (Dentist) Board Member		
Vacant – (Dental Hygiene) Board Member		
BOARD STAFF:		
Ericka L. Walker, MSW – Executive Director	Present	
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	Present	
Rebecca Odrick, Board Investigator	Excused Absence	
Kathleen Ibeh, Health Licensing Specialist	Present	
Zaneta Batts, Health Licensing Specialist	Present	
LEGAL STAFF:		
Carla M. Williams, Senior Assistant General Counsel	Present	





#### **BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**Open Session Meeting Minutes January 18, 2023** 

#### **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

#### OS-0118-01 **INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. as a quorum was maintained.

#### Board Members

Dr. John Bailey, DDS - Chairperson (Present)

Dr. Judith Henry, DMD – Board Member (**Present**)

Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, DDS – Board Member (**Present**)

Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq. – Consumer Member (**Present**)

Dr. Michelle Latortue, DDS – Board Member (**Present**)

#### Board Staff

Ericka L. Walker, MSW – Executive Director (**Present**) Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer (**Present**) Rebecca Odrick, Investigator (**Excused Absence**) Kathleen Ibeh, Health Licensing Specialist (**Present**) Zaneta Batts, Health Licensing Specialist (**Present**)

#### Legal Staff

Carla Williams, Senior Assistant General Counsel (Present)

#### DOH Staff

Matteo Lieb, DOH Legislative Affair Specialist Ranada Cooper, Associate Director, Office of Health Facilities Khalil Hassam, Director, DC Primary Care Office Kia Winston, Assistant Attorney General, DC Health

#### Public Attendance

Mr. Kurt Gallagher, DC Dental Society

Ms. Shavonne Healy, RDH

Ms. Brittany Harris, RDH; UMDSOD

Ms. Emily Schneider, Georgetown University Law

Mr. Blake Hite, Georgetown University Law

Ms. Sara Hoverter, Georgetown University Law

Dr. Lucciola Lambruschini, Catholic Charities

Ms. Toni Reeves, RDH

Dr. Cheryle Baptiste, DC Dental Society

Ms. Alison Glascoe, Howard University College of Dentistry

Dr. Andrea Jackson, Howard University College of Dentistry

Mr. Carlos M.

Ms. Toni Zeldanya- CRDTS

Ms. Donna Grant-Mills, Howard University College of Dentistry

Dr. Rebecca Misner

Dr. Candace Mitchell, Howard University College of Dentistry

Dr. Gail Peppers

Ms. Patrice Smith

Dr. Sheila Samaddar, General Academy of Dentistry





#### OS-0118-02 **OPEN SESSION AGENDA**:

**Board Action:** 

Acceptance of the January 18, 2023, meeting agenda

Motion: The Board to accept the January 18, 2023, Meeting Agenda

**Moved by:** Dr. Judith Henry; (Board Member)

**Seconded by:** Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq.; (Board Member)

Motion passed unanimously.

#### OS-0118-03 TRIBUTE FOR MS. YOLANDA JOSEY-BAKER

Dr. Bailey spoke about Ms. Josey-Baker's career and contributions as a Dental Hygienist in the District as well as Board Member/Interim Vice-Chairperson with the DC Board of Dentistry. A moment of silence was held in her honor.

#### OS-0118-04 **OPEN SESSION MINUTES:**

#### **Board Action:**

Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the November 16, 2022, meeting.

Motion: The Board to accept the November 16, 2022, meeting minutes.

**Moved by**: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton; (Board Member) **Seconded by**: Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq.; (Board Member)

Motion passed unanimously.

#### STAFF REPORTS

#### OS-0118-05 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**:

Mrs. Ericka Walker, Executive Director for the Board of Dentistry, welcomed all Board Members, Staff and Guests to the Open Session meeting. Mrs. Walker informed meeting attendees that the next board meeting would be holding virtually on February 15, 2023. Mrs. Walker also reminded attendees about

https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine and

https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine and https://dchealth.dc.gov/page/monkeypox, the District of Columbia's primary and up-to-date source for all information regarding COVID-19 and Monkeypox within the District. Also, Mrs. Walker provided the link to the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments website and encouraged attendees to visit for more information regarding Board vacancies and how to apply. Additionally, to ensure that all questions from the public are acknowledged and addressed, Mrs. Walker requested that attendees utilize the raised-hand feature within WebEx and hold all questions until after the Board members have discussed the item or during the Public Comments section of the agenda.

Finally, Mrs. Walker reminded meeting attendees to forward all information and submissions to the Board at least 10 business days prior to the Board Meeting to effectively respond to each matter.

This concluded Mrs. Walkers' report.



#### 1. BOD Calendar

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Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia (97) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia & Nitrous Oxide (69)

Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Nitrous Oxide (1)

Dental Assistant Level 1 (118)

Dental Assistant Level 2 (525)

Teaching Licenses for Dentists (1)

Teaching Licenses for Dental Hygienist (1)

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#### OS-0118-06 **BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Ms. Carla Williams, Board Attorney, informed meeting attendees about Final Orders/Disciplinary Actions that were recently issued. These orders are also posted on DOH's website:

#### Dr. Edward Buford

https://dohenterprise.my.salesforce.com/sfc/p/#t000000Cmng/a/8z0000001 4X8/TnA7QhvkPkkmjG6SLws\_9ZFrGL8HjcYkdimm8qtMLPg

#### Dr. William Avery

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#### Dr. Thomas Wall

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#### OS-0118-07 **BOARD CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:**

Dr. John Bailey attended the Annual CDCA/WREB/CITA Conference of which the proposed licensure compact was discussed. Considering DC's current regulations concerning exams accepted for licensure, Dr. Bailey recommended that representatives from CDCA/CITA/WREB, SRTA, and CRDTS present about their respective exams for the Board to determine acceptance.

This concluded Dr. Bailey's report.

**Motion**: The Board requests to have representatives from CDCA/CITA/WREB, SRTA and CRDTS present about their respective exams to determine acceptance.

Moved by: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton; (Board Member)
Seconded by: Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq; (Board Member)

The motion passed unanimously.

#### OS-0118-08 CONSENT AGENDA:

These applications were reviewed by Dr. John Bailey (Chairperson), Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Board Member), or Mrs. Ericka Walker (Executive Director), from **November 10, 2022 – January 5, 2023**:

DENA2000028	Rany Hout	Endorsement	11/14/2022
DENA2000046	Elizabeth Sido	New Registration	12/23/2022
DENA2000063	Keylie Galeas	New Registration	11/14/2022
DENA3000003	Katherine Reyes	New Registration	12/30/2022
DENA3000083	Chantel Davis	New Registration	12/14/2022
DENA4000042	Janelle Dickerson	New Registration	12/23/2022
DENA3000086	Jacquelyne Martine	ez New Registration	12/23/2022
DENA3000090	Hira Khattak	New Registration	11/14/2022
DENA3000091	Silvia Gonzalez	New Registration	12/1/2022
DENA2000003	Imani Creech	New Registration	12/1/2022
DENA2000034	Alisha King	New Registration	11/15/2022
DENA2000035	Janet Mengistu	New Registration	12/1/2022



DENA2000054	Telisea Barnes	New Registration	12/1/2022
DENA2000055	Rosalinda Iraheta	New Registration	12/16/2022
DENA2000067	Ana Olmos	New Registration	12/16/2022
DENA3000030	Summer Graham	Endorsement	12/21/2022
DENA3000033	Melanie Chontow	New Registration	12/1/2022
DENA4000033	Brittany Cecil	New Registration	12/16/2022
DENA4000045	Jennifer Martinez	New Registration	12/16/2022
DENA4000046	Raynier Gibaja	New Registration	12/16/2022
DENA4000047	Sindy Velasquez	New Registration	12/1/2022
DENA4000050	Kristen Hickox	New Registration	12/16/2022
DENA4000051	Natalia Garcia	New Registration	12/16/2022
DENA4000055	Tyesha Brooks	Examination	1/5/2023
HYG2001064	Charles Paramore	Examination	11/14/2022
HYG2001080	Madeline Montas	Endorsement	11/15/2022
HYG2001081	Andrea Williams	Endorsement	12/23/2022
HYG2001109	Flor Hernandez	Endorsement	12/1/2022
HYG2001142	Mahsan Javaheri	Endorsement	12/1/2022
HYG2001152	Deidre Mathelier	Endorsement	11/7/2022
HYG2001156	Yezenia Martinez	Endorsement	12/16/2022
HYG2001171	Courtney Leonardso	on Endorsement	12/16/2022
HYG2001176	Tayler Qura	Examination	12/1/2022
HYG2001178	Deena Hammad	Examination	12/23/2022
HYG2001179	Jo Burgess	Endorsement	12/23/2022
HYG2001180	Carrie Simpler	Endorsement	12/23/2022
DEN2000019	Aimee DeLorenzo	Examination	1/4/2023
DEN2000063	Steve Yopa	Endorsement	12/1/2022
DEN2000123	Zaid Al-Najjar	Endorsement	11/14/2022
DEN2000133	Emily Rosenberg	Endorsement	12/16/2022
DEN2000170	Laura St. Bernard	Endorsement	12/23/2022
DEN2000202	Knieeka Jake-Pache	eco Endorsement	12/23/2022
DEN2000209	Shebli Mehrazarin	Endorsement	12/1/2022
DEN2000219	Nabil Moussa	Endorsement	12/1/2022
DEN2000226	Mark McShane	Endorsement	12/23/2022
DEN2000228	Jillian Pailin	Examination	12/1/2022
DEN2000230	Sahil Trehan	Endorsement	12/23/2022
DEN2000232	Jena Fields	Endorsement	12/16/2022
DEN2000233	Jessica Goodman	Endorsement	12/16/2022

Motion: The Board to accept the Consent Agenda application

approvals.

**Moved by**: Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq; Board Member **Seconded by**: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton; Board Member

Motion passed unanimously.





#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### OS-0118-09 **LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS**

Matteo Lieb, Legislative Affairs Specialist

DC Council's Council Period 24 concluded December 2022. Several pieces of legislation were pushed through and currently monitored as they pass through mayoral and congressional review, such as the High Need Healthcare Career Scholarship and Health Professional Loan Repayment Program Amendment Act of 2022. Also included was the Consent for Vaccinations of Minors Amendment Act of 2022.

In this new council period, there are two new council members: Councilmember Furman of Ward 3 and Councilmember Parker of Ward 5. Additionally, Councilmember Henderson has replaced Councilmember Gray as the Chairperson for the Committee on Health. Councilmembers Parker, Allen & Gray are now a part of the Committee. Mr. Lieb also informed meeting attendees that the Performance Oversight Hearing is scheduled for Thursday, March 2, 2023 from 9:30am to 6:00pm. The FY2024 Budget Hearing will be occurring sometime in late March or April. Finally, a senior dental program that was funded by DC Health and in partnership with A Community of Hope has launched with the hopes to continue into the FY2024 year.

#### OS-0118-10 PRESENTATION

Ms. Brittany Harris, RDH and Ms. Sara Hoverton presented their recommendations for the Dental Assistant & Dental Hygiene scope of practice editions.

**Mr. Khalil Hassam**, Director of DC Primary Care Office, asked several questions regarding the impact the changes to the Scope of Practice would have on the Medicaid population/commercial settings as well as the assurance that the newly developed Dental Assistant level III/ Dental Hygienist license types would meet the standard from a training & credentialing standpoint and if there is a budget impact.

**Ms. Harris** and **Hoverton** responded by indicating that with the proposed editions to the regulations/scopes of practice, the education/training as outlined by the Board ensures that Dental Assistants (Level II and Level III) & Dental Hygienists are well prepared and would meet the standard of the expanded scope.

**Ms. Toni Reeves, RDH** inquired about research regarding the need for care for tele dentistry, in their homes and long-term care. Ms. Harris responded that not much information/data could be found regarding homebound individuals but since there is an overall need for care for institutionalized individuals, that need may certainly include those who are homebound as well.

**Ms. Ranada Cooper**, Associate Director for the Office of Health Facilities, informed meeting attendees that according to the regulations, when an individual is admitted into a nursing home, they are required to have a comprehensive assessment by the physician. Based on that assessment, referrals can be made for additional services that the individual may need or desire at that time. The individual may also request for such services of which the facility is required to follow through on that consult within 3 days. She also indicated that while regulations do not assert that facilities





must employ dentists/dental hygienists full time, they do provide an avenue (a contract) where a Dentist and or Dental Hygienist can provide services in such settings based on need.

**Ms. Harris** responded by asking if a physician is truly prepared to determine the oral needs of a patient. Secondly, she indicated that the role of the dental hygienist is preventative in nature (to avoid disease that the physician may not be able to detect.) and would be best from that perspective, not by responding to a need after the fact.

**Ms. Carla Williams**, Board Attorney, addressed this by asking Ms. Toni Reeves, RDH if she remembered the time this issue was raised with former Chairperson, Dr. Renee McCoy Collins who indicated that a Dental Hygienist may not have direct access, but under general supervision of a Dentist, could perform services at a Long-Term Facility. Ms. Reeves affirmed that she was able to recall Dr. McCoy-Collins making that statement.

At that time, **Dr. John Bailey**, (Chairperson) indicated that he wanted to add two items the agenda: Remarks from **Mr. Kurt Gallagher** (DC Dental Society) and voting to elect a new Vice-Chairperson for the Board.

**Mr. Kurt Gallagher** applauded Ms. Harris, Ms. Hoverton & Ms. Healy on their presentation and expressed that while DC Dental Society aligns with most of the information that was presented regarding access to care, he highlighted two differences of opinion. According to Mr. Gallagher, the DC Dental Society believes that the proposed Level III Dental Assistants should not be limited to just schools, long term facilities or community clinics as many dental practices are struggling with staffing and believes they should be authorized to practice in any setting. Mr. Gallagher also indicated that the DC Dental Society recommends that the Level III Dental Assistant remains the same as from inception to avoid confusion.

**Dr. Sheila Samaddar**, DDS, DC General Academy of Dentistry, indicated that DCAGD did agree with the DC Dental Society position. Dr. Samaddar also added that the DC Board of Dentistry should look into the regulations/guidelines of neighboring states Maryland and Virginia and adapt. She asserted that if DC dental practices are unable to offer certain services that are allowed in Maryland or Virginia, it could possibly draw business away from her practice which is the other side of the coin, not just access to care.

**Dr. John Bailey** asked Dr. Samaddar to name a few procedures that DC Dental Assistants cannot perform considering Virginia & Maryland's regulations. She mentioned that in DC, Dental Assistants cannot place Pit & Fissure sealants, or coronal polishing, as well as dentists' ability to administer Botox. Dr. Bailey shared that those procedures are already addressed in the new Level III Dental Assistant and Dental regulations/scope of practice.

#### OS-0118-11 DENTAL BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES

1. Credentials & Audits:

Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton/Dr. John Bailey

Dr. Jeffries-Morton reported that the subcommittee has been working on the following initiatives: 1) to develop a framework and implementation of the dentist/dental facility certification to administer sedation or general anesthesia. 2) A process/protocol is also underway for reviewing





dental assistant school curriculums/externships in partnership with OSSE. 3) Creating an updated list of approved dental assistant schools; inclusive are the hours of completion and 4) the development of an application checklist for those interested in opening a dental assistant training school.

Dr. Jeffries-Morton also discussed the importance of encourage meeting. attendees to provide the application checklist to potential employees of interest to ensure that they have all the requirements to speed up the licensing process.

#### 2. Communications:

Vacant

No report.

#### 3. Regulatory Affairs:

Dr. Judith Henry/Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq.

**Ms. Carla Williams** pointed out that the one of the major issues presented that needed clarification was the ability for Dental Hygienists to perform services in community/long-term care facilities, not directly, but under the general supervision of a Dentist. Ms. Williams asked if that was something the Subcommittee would recommend adding to the Scope of Practice so that it would be clear moving forward, of which both Dr. Henry & Ms. Smith agreed.

**Motion 1:** The Board to move forward with the Dental Hygiene and Dental Assistant Scope of Practice Amendment of 2023 with the addition of specific language to clarify that Dental Hygienists could work at long-term care facilities.

**Moved by:** Dr. Judith Henry (Board Member)

Seconded by: Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq. (Board Member)

The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion 2**: The Board to move forward with the proposed Rulemaking to amend the Dental Assistant Scope of Practice.

**Moved by**: Dr. Judith Henry; (Board Member)

**Seconded by:** Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq. (Board Member)

The motion passed unanimously.

#### OS-0118-12 **EMAIL FROM SHAVONNE HEALY, RDH**

Mrs. Ericka Walker addressed the issues as presented in Ms. Healy's email regarding how to ensure the fair process for responses from the public in the beginning of the meeting. (Utilizing the raised-hand feature in WebEx as well as waiting until after the Board members deliberate on an issue or topic before allowing input/questions from the public.) Regarding Dr. Bailey's title, there was a transition in leadership that occurred within the Board of which at that time, Dr. Bailey was made the Interim Chairperson. However, MOTA made the decision to make Dr. Bailey the permanent Chairperson, however, the Board was not notified timely. Once the Board





was notified, his title was updated at that time.

**ADDENDUM** Dr. Bailey notified meeting attendees that there was one more item to discuss which was the election of a Vice-Chairperson.

**Motion:** To nominate and elect Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton to be the Vice-Chairperson for

the DC Board of Dentistry.

**Moved by**: Dr. Judith Henry; (Board Member)

**Seconded by:** Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq.; (Board Member)

The motion passed unanimously.

#### OS-0118-13 COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

Ms. Shavonne Healy inquired about the public being notified of any applicants for the Board of Dentistry vacancies. Mrs. Ericka Walker, Executive Director, indicated that MOTA handles all applications for Board vacancies, not the Board itself. Therefore, the link that was provided earlier during the Executive Director's report outlines the application submittal process and how to follow up on the status of an application. Mrs. Walker explained that as far as who has applied for the vacancies, that information is not shared with the Board until the new Board member has been appointed.

Dr. Alison Glascoe inquired if the portal has been opened for foreign trained dentists who are considering appointments at Howard University College of Dentistry so that they may apply for a Dental teaching license. She described an issue with a potential candidate who had difficulty applying for a dental teaching license. Dr. John Bailey, Chairperson, responded that at the time she applied, there was indeed a glitch in the system which has since been corrected. Mrs. Ericka Walker, Executive Director, added that DC Health made enhancements to our Salesforce system, which included the dental/dental hygiene teaching licenses. Mrs. Walker assured all meeting attendees that at this time, the portal is open and functioning for those who are interested in applying for the teaching licenses.

Dr. Andrea Jackson expressed her concerns about the difficulties in finding faculty that have dental specialties, such as orthodontics, periodontics, oral maxillofacial surgery, etc. As a result, many schools are utilizing internationally trained dentists as faculty. Dr. Jackson indicated that she too is particularly interested in internationally trained candidates so that the faculty can have specialists. She inquired if the transcripts from their three-year training programs could be considered in evaluating their qualifications for faculty teaching license rather than just dental school. She feels that their training in dental school does not fully capture their abilities as they are doing the most cutting-edge procedures as learned in those specialties.

Dr. John Bailey, Chairperson, clarified that if the candidate who was foreign-trained in a non-CODA program to become a dentist, came to the United States and then completed/graduated from a CODA-approved post graduate program would indeed qualify for a Dental teaching license. They would not qualify for a regular Dental license unless they complete the last 2 years of CODA-approved Dental school.





Mrs. Ericka Walker, Executive Director, recommended that Dr. Jackson put the information/issues/initiatives she shared into writing so that the Board could have the opportunity to review the information and provide feedback so that she would be able to make the best decisions for Howard University's Dental program. Mrs. Walker also reiterated that the portal was down for enhancements to the system at the time Dr. Jackson's candidate applied for a teaching license.

**Dr. Sheila Samaddar** inquired if at some time, the Board planned to consider nonoral maxillofacial surgeons the ability to offer injectables in the office. **Dr. John Bailey**, Chairperson, and other members of the Board indicated that the issue had already been addressed.

**Ms. Brittany Harris, RDH** expressed her appreciation to the Board for allowing the presentation of their proposal and for taking their points into consideration. She also volunteered her herself for any conversations regarding services provided in long-term care facilities moving forward.







#### **BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**Open Session Meeting Minutes January 18, 2023** 

CLOSING	i weeting windles January 16, 2025	
OS-0118-14	MOTION TO CLOSE	
	The Board member should move as follows:	
	"Mister Board Chair, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14)."	
	Motion: The Board to close the Open Session meeting. Moved by: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton; (Board Member) Seconded by: Dr. Judith Henry (Board Member)	
	ROLL CALL VOTE	
	The Board voted unanimously.	
	This concludes the Public Open Session of the meeting. The Board will now move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the reasons set forth in the motion.	

This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for <u>February 15, 2023.</u>

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

This meeting is governed by the Open Meetings Act. Please address any questions or complaints arising under this meeting to the Office of Open Government at <a href="mailto:opengovoffice@dc.gov">opengovoffice@dc.gov</a>.

#### Fw: Faculty Teaching Licenses for Howard University College of Dentistry

#### Board of Dentistry, (DOH) <dcbod@dc.gov>

Wed 2/1/2023 4:41 PM

To: Ibeh, Kathleen (DOH) <kathleen.ibeh@dc.gov> Cc: Walker, Ericka (DOH) <ericka.walker@dc.gov>

1 attachments (128 KB)

DC Board of Dentistry - DCDOH Faculty Teaching Licenses[55][57].pdf;

#### Kathleen,

#### Please see email below.

#### Warmly,

#### The District of Columbia Board of Dentistry

**Health Regulation and Licensing Administration** 

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From: Jackson, Andrea <adjackson@Howard.edu>

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 1, 2023 1:59 PM **To:** Board of Dentistry, (DOH) <dcbod@dc.gov>

Cc: Walker, Ericka (DOH) <ericka.walker@dc.gov>; Glascoe, Alison <aglascoe@Howard.edu>

**Subject:** Faculty Teaching Licenses for Howard University College of Dentistry

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Dear Ms. Ibeh and Ms. Batts,

I received the message below from Ms. Walker, to contact you both during her absence. I wanted to make sure that this letter reaches the Board of Dentistry in time for the next meeting, 10 days prior to the scheduled meeting.

"Thank you for your email. I'm on leave Wednesday, February 1, 2023, to return on Tuesday, February 7, 2023. For assistance, please get in touch with one of the Boards Health Licensing Specialists regarding your inquiry:

#### Ms. Kathleen Ibeh Ms. Zaneta Batts

Board of Dentistry (<a href="mailto:dcbod@dc.gov">dcbod@dc.gov</a>)"

I have attached a letter representing the Howard University College of Dentistry's position on awarding teaching licenses for foreign trained dentist to address the faculty shortages and the needs of our college. I respectfully request that the board review the attached letter at the next meeting. I would be happy to appear before the board to answer any questions they may have. Thank you for your assistance and please let me know if any additional information is needed.

Respectfully,

#### Andrea D. Jackson, DDS, MS, FACP, FACD, FICD

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February 1, 2023

Dr. John Bailey Chair, District of Columbia Board of Dentistry 899 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, DC 20002

Dear Dr. Bailey and the DC Board of Dentistry,

I am writing to respectfully request great consideration in the dental faculty teaching licensing protocol due to the dire need of dental educators with subject matter expertise in various dental specialties.

In July 2022, ADEA (American Dental Education Association) projected there were 400 unfilled budgeted faculty positions in the U.S. Retirement is the leading reason for full-time faculty separation from dental schools. Another major reason faculty leave dental academia is to enter private practice. Offering competitive salaries comparable to private practice is a significant challenge for recruiting new faculty to dental academia.

Howard University College of Dentistry (HUCD) is the only dental school in Washington, DC. Many are attracted to HUCD for its rich cultural diversity and heritage. Our mission is to promote patient-centered, evidence-based, collaborative care and advocacy for the elimination of health disparities by attracting highly motivated and academically accomplished students and faculty from culturally diverse backgrounds.

Highly educated and qualified dentists who desire to join academia, bring enthusiasm and enrichment to our academy to help educate students, who are the next generation of dentists. Awarding faculty teaching dental licenses is especially important in such challenging times for recruitment of faculty. Many of the prospective faculty applicants to HUCD are minorities and immigrants from underserved areas like many of our students. These prospective faculty may serve as role models for our students. We respectfully request consideration by the DC Board of Health to think globally and consider changes in your teaching licensure requirements which will not impede to our ability to provide quality education to our students. For the above reasons, my suggestions to assist us with providing a quality dental education to our students are the following:

- To provide teaching licenses to foreign trained dentists with specialty training from a CODA accredited Specialty program in the United States that is at least 24 months in length
  - Dental residents completing these programs have had extensive training in state-of-the-art clinical practice and current knowledge of their specialties, required to obtain specialty certificates and advanced degrees from a CODA accredited program in the United States. This criterion speaks to their current expertise and clinical capabilities. Currently, the DC BOH utilizes the dental school curriculum from the country of the applicant as criteria for awarding faculty teaching licenses. The applicants most recent advanced degree in dentistry would best demonstrate their competence and expertise rather than that of their initial dental training.

I would also suggest the following requirements for the applicant:

- The specialist must be educationally qualified, board-eligible, or board-certified in their specialty.
- The specialist would be able to teach didactically, pre-clinically, clinically and practice their specialty in a faculty practice setting *ONLY* at Howard University.

The benefits of having these specialists as dental faculty are as follows:

- The specialist would be able to provide consultation services and specialty services on a referral basis to the practicing dentists in the community.
- The specialist would be able to provide cutting-edge continuing dental education (CDE) to the practicing dentists in the area
- The College and University would be able to increase Howard University College of Dentistry's/Howard University's research endeavors.
- The College would be able to provide services to retain patients with dental needs beyond the scope of the pre-doctoral program which will enhance our students' exposure and education.

Awarding faculty teaching licenses would be a great recruiting tool for dental faculty to assist with the shortage of specialty trained subject matter experts that provide the most current information and teaching methodology to the HUCD students and residents.

There are currently two cases that I am asking re-consideration based the above request:

- 1. HUCD, like many dental schools in the U.S., is facing challenges trying to recruit highly qualified faculty to include dental specialists.
  - o Recently, a foreign-trained dentist, **Dr.**, who is board-eligible in Periodontics, has completed a dental-specialty residency program in Periodontics from a U.S.-accredited dental program applied for a full DC dental license in error when the portal for applying for a DC teaching license was under construction and not available.
  - o Having obtained a DC dental teaching license would have allowed her to become faculty at HUCD, to educate our students; however, her application for licensure was denied.
  - o In addition to completing a U.S accredited dental specialty residency program, Dr. had also completed:
    - a Periodontology and Implantology fellowship from a U.S accredited dental school
    - successfully challenged the National Dental Boards (part 1 and 2)
    - successfully challenged ADEX dental examination during her periodontal specialty residency training program.
    - Her practice of dentistry would have been limited to her dental specialty, periodontology and implantology.
    - She would not be practicing as a general dentist.

I respectfully request reconsideration to grant a faculty teaching license to Dr. at no further expense to her.

2. Finally, HUCD would like to petition the DC Board of Dentistry to consider issuing a DC dental teaching license to prospective faculty who are researcher dentists with the NIH/NIDCR.

- o A partnership between HUCD and NIH/NIDCR has the potential to strengthen our ability to provide evidenced-based education to our students and expose our students to research.
- NIH/NIDCR continues to partner with Howard University and other universities providing excellent opportunities for cutting-edge clinical research for students and residents.
- o While some of these dentists may not meet the current guidelines for a dental license in Washington, DC, they have been well vetted and are able to practice on a national level.
- We respectfully request that consideration be given to them for faculty licenses as done in other states for these potentially highly skilled, desired faculty who would contribute greatly to the academy at Howard University College of Dentistry and to the education of our students both didactically and clinically.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my request based on the needs of dental educators to allow us to maintain the highest quality of dental education provided to our students and the highest quality of care provided to our patients and the entire community. Please let me know if I can provide any additional information. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea D. Jackson, DDS, MS, FACP, FACD, FICD

Dean and Professor