

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY  
2201 SHANNON PLACE SE – 2<sup>ND</sup> FL.  
WASHINGTON, DC 20020**

**DATE: OCTOBER 16, 2024  
TIME: 9:00 AM**

**OPEN SESSION  
MEETING AGENDA**

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<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	
Michelle Latortue, DDS – Presiding Board Member	
Dianne Smith, ESQ – Consumer Member	
Brittany Harris-Campbell, RDH, MSDH – Board Member	
Chanelle Roberts, DDS – (Dentist) Board Member	
Imani Lewis, DDS – (Dentist) Board Member	
Eric Bradshaw, DDS – (Dentist) Board Member	
Jonelle Anamelechi, DDS – (Dentist) Board Member	
<b>BOARD STAFF:</b>	
Ericka L. Walker, MSW - Executive Director	
Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer	
Rebecca Odrick-Austin, Board Investigator	
Zaneta Batts, Health Licensing Specialist	
Tiffany Johnson, Health Licensing Specialist	
<b>LEGAL STAFF:</b>	
Carla M. Williams, Senior Assistant General Counsel	

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**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

<b>OS-1016-01</b>	<b>INTRODUCTIONS:</b>  <b>A. Board Members</b> Michelle Latortue, DDS – Presiding Board Member Dianne Smith, Esq – Consumer Board Member Brittany Campbell, RDH, MSDH – Board Member Imani Lewis, DDS – Board Member Chanelle Roberts, DDS – Board Member Eric Bradshaw, DDS – Board Member  <b>B. Board Staff</b> Ericka L. Walker, MSW – Executive Director Gregory Scurlock, Compliance Officer Rebecca Odrick-Austin – Board Investigator Zaneta Batts – Health Licensing Specialist Tiffany Johnson – Health Licensing Specialist  <b>C. Legal Staff</b> Carla Williams – Senior Assistant General Counsel  <b>D. Department Staff</b> Matteo Lieb – Director of Legislative Affairs  <b>E. Public Attendance (Please type your Name and Organization in the Webex chat)</b> Kurt Gallagher – Executive Director, DC Dental Society Sara Hoverter – Center for Community Health Innovation, Georgetown Law
<b>OS-1016-02</b>	<b>OPEN SESSION AGENDA:</b>  <b>Motion:</b> Acceptance of the <b>October 16, 2024</b> , meeting agenda <b>Moved by:</b> Mrs. Brittany Campbell (Board Member) <b>Seconded by:</b> Dr. Chanelle Roberts (Board Member) <b>Motion passed unanimously.</b>
<b>OS-1016-03</b>	<b>OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</b>  <b>Motion:</b> Acceptance of the September 18, 2024, Open Session meeting minutes. <b>Moved by:</b> Dr. Imani Lewis (Board Member) <b>Seconded by:</b> Mrs. Brittany Campbell (Board Member) Dr. Lewis, Dr. Roberts, Mrs. Campbell, and Dr. Bradshaw voted “Ay”, Ms. Smith abstained, <b>Motion Carried</b>

**STAFF REPORTS:**

**OS-1016-04 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Mrs. **Ericka Walker**, Executive Director to the Board, started her report by welcoming all the attendees. She then extended a special welcome to Dr. Bradshaw in his first meeting, as well as Dr. Lewis and Dr. Roberts who attended last month's meeting. Mrs. Walker then announced that The Board is now fully staffed with the final new Board member scheduled to attend the November meeting.

Mrs. Walker next discussed the merger between HRLA (Health Regulations and Licensing Administration) and HEPRA (Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Administration) and is now referred to as HSPA (Health Systems and Preparedness Administration). The Food Division, Rodent Division, and Radiology will now be under a new umbrella called the EHA (Environmental Health Administration). There will be a town hall to discuss the new administration, the new changes under the HORA, and to answer any questions regarding the two. All Board members are invited to attend.

Mrs. Walker then mentioned that the Board would like to have a retreat in the month of November. This will be an opportunity to come together and discuss BEGA (the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability), the responsibility of both DC Health and the Board, Robert's Rules, the structure of meetings, and how the Board and DC Health work together. This can also be a time when the Board can review its goals and draft a mission statement. The goal is to have the retreat in November.

Lastly, Mrs. Walker advised the Board members to review the upcoming Board meeting dates to ensure they are available. She also brought attention to the current Board of Dentistry census listed below as well as the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments which is available for anyone who is interested in serving for any of the professional licensing boards.

This concluded Mrs. Walker's report.

1. **DC Health Updates**
  
2. **BOD Calendar**
  - October 16, 2024 (Virtual)
  - November 13, 2024 (Virtual)
  - December 11, 2024 (**In Person & Virtual**)
  - January 15, 2025 (Virtual)
  - February 19, 2025 (Virtual)
  - March 19, 2025 (**In Person & Virtual**)
  - April 16, 2025 (Virtual)
  - May 21, 2025 (Virtual)
  - June 18, 2025 (**In Person & Virtual**)
  - July 16, 2025 (Virtual)
  - August (Recess)
  - September 17, 2025 (**In Person & Virtual**)

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	<p><b>3. <u>BOD Census</u></b>  Dentists (<b>1,206</b>)  Dental Hygienists (<b>502</b>)  Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia (<b>108</b>)  Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia &amp; Nitrous Oxide (<b>98</b>)  Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Nitrous Oxide (<b>3</b>)  Dental Assistant Level 1 (<b>172</b>)  Dental Assistant Level 2 (<b>574</b>)  Teaching Licenses for Dentists (<b>4</b>)  Teaching Licenses for Dental Hygienist (<b>0</b>)</p> <p><b>4.</b> The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) recruits talented and interested individuals from all eight Wards to serve on District Boards. Link to apply to serve on a Board:  <a href="https://mota.dc.gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-available-seats">https://mota.dc.gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-available-seats</a></p>																												
<p><b>OS-1016-05</b></p>	<p><b>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT:</b>  <b>Ms. Carla Williams</b>, Board’s attorney</p> <p>No Report</p> <p>The following orders have been issued since the last Board meeting:  <b>None</b></p>																												
<p><b>OS-1016-06</b></p>	<p><b>BOARD CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT:</b></p> <p>Dr. Latortue, Presiding Board Member</p> <p>No Report</p>																												
<p><b>OS-1016-07</b></p>	<p><b>CONSENT AGENDA:</b></p> <p>The following applications were approved from <b>September 10, 2024 – October 7, 2024:</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Katherine Gift</td> <td>Swanson</td> <td>DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I</td> </tr> <tr> <td>DeQuan Gere</td> <td>Orukpe</td> <td>DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Yvette Angel</td> <td>Randolph</td> <td>DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Angel KaNay</td> <td>Carroll</td> <td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nathaniel Dhrutiben</td> <td>Hurley</td> <td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Bushrod</td> <td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Martino</td> <td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Flores</td> <td>DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Patel</td> <td>DENTAL HYGIENIST</td> </tr> </table>	Katherine Gift	Swanson	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I	DeQuan Gere	Orukpe	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I	Yvette Angel	Randolph	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I	Angel KaNay	Carroll	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II	Nathaniel Dhrutiben	Hurley	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II		Bushrod	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II		Martino	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II		Flores	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II		Patel	DENTAL HYGIENIST	
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<b>DISCUSSION ITEMS</b>		
<b>OS-1016-08</b>	<b>LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS</b>	
	<p><b>Mr. Matteo Lieb</b>, Director of Government Relations, began his report by stating that Council has now returned from its recess in August and is preparing for the home stretch of legislation for the final 3 months of the year. He mentioned that there is currently nothing specifically dentistry related, and that they are broader public health issues. Next, Mr. Lieb relayed that the Board Confirmation Roundtable that was held on September 17, 2024, where passing votes were made for the nominees to the Boards of Social Work, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Dietetics &amp; Nutrition, and Medicine. The two new members for Dentistry are Dr. Eric Bradshaw and Dr. Jonelle Anamelechi. Lastly, Mr. Lieb advised they are working hard to implement the changes to the HORA as it became law on July 19, 2024, and that DC Health is developing an implementation plan that will closely involve the Board members.</p> <p>This ended Mr. Lieb’s report.</p>	
<b>OS-1016-09</b>	<b>DENTAL BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES (New Sub-committee members listed in red)</b>	
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Credentials &amp; Audits:</b> <b>Dr. Eric Bradshaw, Dr. Chanelle Roberts</b> No reports</li> <li>2. <b>Communications:</b> <b>Dr. Michelle Latortue</b></li> </ol>	

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	<p>No report</p> <p><b>3. <u>Regulatory Affairs</u>: Ms. Dianne Smith, Mrs. Brittany Harris-Campbell, Dr. Imani Lewis</b> No report</p> <p><b>Ms. Ericka Walker and Ms. Carla Williams</b> took time to explain the purpose of having the sub-committees as well as the goal of each committee. In absence of the Board Chair, the Board members are being asked to self-select for a committee they are interested in. Each committee can have up to 3 members. Committees meet separately from regularly scheduled board meetings. The duties for each sub-committee are as follows:</p> <p><b>Credentials &amp; Audits:</b> reviewing applications that aren't clean (with concerns about criminal background checks and education); helping to outline and complete audits.</p> <p><b>Communications:</b> ensuring dentistry updates are prepared and distributed to the dental community; possibly bring back the Board newsletter to inform the dental community about relevant information (for example information from Board member attendance at national conferences)</p> <p><b>Regulatory Affairs:</b> drafting policies and procedures; making recommendations for updates to current laws and regulations; assisting with Dental Assistant Training Program reviews with OSSE (Office of the State Superintendent of Education) by being present for on-site visits as subject-matter experts; updating the law exam to be compliant with current laws and regulations.</p>
<p><b>OS-1016-10</b></p>	<p><b><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u></b> <b>Please type your name and organization in the chat.</b></p> <p><b>Kurt Gallagher</b> welcomed all the new members to the Board and thought it was interesting to hear about committee assignments. He also loved to hear about the efforts around credentialing and audits, as well as the dental assistant training programs since given the lack of dental assistants around the city and the effect it has on public health.</p> <p><b>Sara Hoverter</b> welcomed the new board members as well but otherwise had no other comments.</p>

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**CLOSING**

OS-1016-11	<p><b><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></b></p> <p>The Board member should move as follows:</p> <p>“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).”</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ROLL CALL VOTE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Moved by:</b> Dr. Chanelle Roberts (Board Member) <b>Seconded by:</b> Ms. Dianne Smith (Board Member) <b>Motion passed unanimously</b></p>	
	<p><b>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.</b></p>	

**This ends the Open Session Meeting**  
**The meeting adjourned at 9:38 AM**  
**The next meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2024**

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