

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE – 2ND FL. WASHINGTON, DC 20002

Date: December 16, 2020

Time: 9:00 AM

OPEN SESSION

MEETING MINUTES

WEBEX Virtual Meeting

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BOARD MEMBERS:	
Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins, DDS - Board Chairperson	Present
Dr. Wesley Thomas, DMD - Vice Board Chairperson	Present
Dr. John R. Bailey, DDS - Board Member	Present
Dr. Judith Henry, DDS - Board Member	Present
Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, DDS- Board Member	Present
Ms. Yolanda Josey- Baker, RDH- Board Member	Present
Ms. Dianne Smith, ESQ - Consumer Member	Present
BOARD STAFF:	
Ericka L. Walker, MSW - Executive Director	Present
Dr. Vito DelVento, Executive Director	Present
Rebecca Odrick, Board Investigator	Present
Thomasine Pointer, Health Licensing Specialist	Present
Ashley Balma, Health Licensing Specialist	Present
LEGAL STAFF:	
Carla Williams, Board Attorney	Present

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-1216-01

INTRODUCTIONS

The Board Meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. and a quorum was maintained.

Board Members

- Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins, Board Chairperson- Present
- Dr. Wesley Thomas, Vice-Chairperson- Present
- Dr. John R. Bailey, Board Member- Present
- Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, Board Member- Present
- Dr. Judith Henry, Board Member- Present
- Ms. Josey Baker, Board Member- Present
- Ms. Diane Smith, Board Member- Present

Board Staff

- Frank Meyers, Associate Director- Present
- Ericka Walker, Executive Director- Present
- Dr. Vito DelVento, Executive Director- Present
- Carla Williams, Board Attorney- Present
- Rebecca Odrick, Board Investigator- Present
- Thomasine Pointer, Health Licensing Specialist- Present
- Ashley Balma, Health Licensing Specialist- Present

Public Attendance

- Kurt Gallagher, Executive Director- DC Dental Society
- Dr. Ladan Basiri, President- DC Dental Society
- Dr. Cheryle Baptiste, Robert T. Freeman Dental Society
- Laura Muhammad, Robert T. Freeman Dental Society

OS-1216-02

Board Action:

Acceptance of the **December 16, 2020**, meeting agenda.

Motion:

A motion was made to accept the December 16, 2020 meeting agenda by Dr. Bailey. The motion was second by Dr. Thomas

Dr. Thomas, Dr. Bailey, Dr. Jeffries-Morton, Dr. Henry, Ms. Baker, Ms. Smith all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

OS-1216-03	<p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the November 18, 2020 meeting.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made by Dr. Thomas to accept the November 18, 2020 Open Session meeting minutes. The motion was second by Dr. Jeffries- Morton.</p> <p>Dr. Thomas, Dr. Bailey, Dr. Jeffries-Morton, Dr. Henry, Ms. Baker, Ms. Smith all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
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MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-1216-04	<p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>BOD Calendar</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - December 16, 2020 - January 27, 2021 - February 17, 2021 2. <u>BOD Conferences</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The AADB Mid-Year Meeting February 27-28, 2021 -The AADB Annual meeting October 30-31, 2021 3. <u>BOD Census</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dentists (1,273) Dental Hygienists (505) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia (100) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia & Nitrous Oxide (56) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Nitrous Oxide- (2) Dental Assistant Level 1 (582) Dental Assistant Level 2 (120) Teaching Licenses for Dentists (3) Teaching Licenses for Dental Hygienist (0) 4. Bylaws-Name Change to Policies and Procedures 5. Point of Care Testing 6. District of Columbia COVID-19 Vaccination Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine <p>Mrs. Ericka Walker welcomed all visitors, Board members and staff to the Open Session meeting. Mrs. Walker informed that DC Health is operational with staff working remotely to assist the public. Mrs. Walker provided updates on the upcoming Board calendar dates, upcoming Board conferences, and the current</p>
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	<p>census. Mrs. Walker informed the Board that the current Bylaws were renamed Policies and Procedures as requested by the Board.</p> <p>Mrs. Walker informed the Board that DC Health does not have any sources for Point of Care Testing Kits, nor make any recommendations on the type of kit to purchase.</p> <p>For those who are interested in updates on the COVID-19 vaccination, you are encouraged to visit the provided link for further updates: https://coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine</p> <p>Dentist are included in the Phase 1a distribution of the COVID-19 vaccination and no action is required by dentist.</p>	
OS-1216-05	<p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Second Notice of Emergency and Proposed Rulemaking (Dentist) 2. Second Notice of Emergency and Proposed Rulemaking (Dental Hygienist) <p><u>Board Action:</u> <i>FYI only, no action required.</i></p> <p>Board Attorney Carla Williams provided the Board and visitors with an update regarding the proposed rulemaking and that the rulemaking is open for public comments. The Board will be updated at the upcoming meeting with any public comments that were made regarding the proposed rulemaking.</p> <p>.....</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Notice of Proposed Rulemaking: Clarification of education requirements for Dental Assistants <p><u>Board Action:</u> This draft copy is for Board review and approval.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> A motion was made by Dr. Jeffries-Morton to state in the rulemaking that Dental Radiographic Training be 24 hours for Level 2 Dental Hygienists. The motion was second by Dr. Thomas.</p> <p>Dr. Thomas, Dr. Bailey, Dr. Jeffries-Morton, Dr. Henry, Ms. Baker, Ms. Smith all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
OS-1216-06	<p><u>BOARD CHAIRS’S REPORT:</u></p> <p>Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins welcomed all visitors, Board staff and members to the December 16, 2020 meeting. Dr. McCoy-Collins thanked all Board members, staff and visitors for their dedication to the Board and providing support and services to the residents and visitors of the District of Columbia during this unprecedented time of COVID-19.</p> <p>Dr. McCoy-Collins informed the Board that the State of Maryland views the</p>	

	<p>charging of Personal Protective Equipment as Unethical and Unlawful during these unprecedented times of COVID-19.</p> <p>The Board submitted a letter to Dr. Nesbitt to consider dental providers in the next Mayor Order to have the authority to administer the COVID-19 vaccination, and to consider dentist, dental assistant and dental hygienist as frontline healthcare professionals to receive the COVID-19 vaccination.</p> <p>Dr. McCoy-Collins thanked the DC Dental Society for submitting a letter of support to Mayor Bowser to consider the following: dental providers to administer the vaccination, and for dental practice staff to be considered as frontline healthcare professionals to receive the vaccination.</p>	
DISCUSSION ITEMS		
OS-1216-07	<p><u>LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS- FYI Only</u></p> <p>http://dccouncil.us/events/list</p> <p><i>FYI Only, No Motion Made.</i></p>	
OS-1216-08	<p><u>DENTAL BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Credentials & Audits- Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A Review Dental Assistants Regulations for needed updates 2. Communications- Dr. John Bailey <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A Newsletter 3. Regulatory Affairs- Dr. Renee McCoy-Collins, Chairperson Regulatory Affairs Alternative- Dr. Judith Henry 4. Ethics- Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq <p><i>No Motion was made, FYI Only.</i></p>	
OS-1216-09	<p><u>COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC</u></p> <p>The Board took and listened to comments and feedback from public and stakeholders.</p>	

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CLOSING	
OS-1216-10	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p>The Board member should move as follows:</p> <p>“Madam 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).”</p>
	<p><u>Motion:</u> A motion was made by Dr. Thomas to close the Open Session portion of the December 16, 2020 meeting. The motion was second by Dr. Jeffries-Morton.</p> <p>Dr. Thomas, Dr. Bailey, Dr. Jeffries-Morton, Dr. Henry, Ms. Baker, Ms. Smith all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>
	<p>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.</p>

This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for **January 27, 2021.**

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