

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

**DATE: JUNE 12, 2024
TIME: 9:00 AM**

**OPEN SESSION
MEETING MINUTES**

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BOARD MEMBERS:	
Dr. John R. Bailey, DDS – Chairperson	
Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, DDS – Vice Chairperson	
Ms. Dianne Smith, ESQ - Consumer Member	
Dr. Michelle Latortue, DDS - Board Member	
Brittany Harris-Campbell, RDH, MSDH - Board Member	
Vacant – (Dentist) Board Member	
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BOARD STAFF:	
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	
LEGAL STAFF:	
Carla M. Williams, Senior Assistant General Counsel	

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-0612-01	INTRODUCTIONS: A. Board Members Dr. Johns Bailey, DDS – Chairperson Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, DDS – Vice-Chairperson Ms. Dianne Smith, Esq. – Consumer Member Mrs. Brittany Harris-Cambell – Board Member Dr. Michelle Latortue, DDS – Board Member B. Board Staff Ericka Walker, MSW – Executive Director Rebecca Odrick-Austin – Investigator Gregory Scurlock – Compliance Officer Whitney Moore – Investigator Charles Annor – Health Licensing Specialist C. Legal Staff Carla Williams – Senior Assistant General Counsel D. Department Staff Matteo Lieb – Legislative Affair Specialist E. Public Attendance (Please type your Name and Organization in the Webex chat) Kurt Gallagher – Executive Director, DC Dental Society Cheryll Baptiste – RTFDS and DC Dental Society Nina Greene Kim Menhinick Lucciola Lambruschini
OS-0612-02	OPEN SESSION AGENDA: Motion: The Board to accept the June 12, 2024 , meeting agenda. Moved by: Ms. Dianne Smith (Consumer Member) Seconded by: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Vice Chairperson) Motion passed unanimously.
OS-0612-03	OPEN SESSION MINUTES: BOARD ACTION: Consideration of the May 15, 2024 , Open Session Meeting Minutes. Dr. Bailey requested an amendment to the May 15, 2024 meeting minutes in reference to his report. Motion: The Board to accept the May 15, 2024 , meeting minutes as amended. Moved by: Ms. Dianne Smith (Consumer Member)

Seconded by: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Vice Chairperson)
Motion passed unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS:

OS-0612-04 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:

Mrs. Ericka Walker, Executive Director for the Board of Dentistry, welcomed all Board Members, Staff, and Guest to the first Open Session meeting at 2201 Shannon Place. She then requested all attendees who were virtual to please enter their name and organization in the chat for recording purposes. Mrs. Walker advised all attendees that the next Board Meeting will be on July 17, 2024, and it will be virtual. She then informed all attendees that the Board will recess in August and will end our fiscal year with the September 18, 2024, meeting. This meeting will be an in-person meeting for all Board members and staff and will be available for the public to join in-person or virtually. Mrs. Walker then moved on to discuss the DC Government budget cuts and how they affected the Board in relation to our travel. Mrs. Walker further explained that Executive Directors have been utilizing scholarships and stipends to fund travel to national organizations, as well as attending virtually if possible, to ensure that DC Board of Dentistry is represented at all possible opportunities.

Lastly, Mrs. Walker informed the attendees that the DC Council held a roundtable for 2 new Board members who will be onboarded after the Mayor’s office has approved their confirmation. She then took the time to recognize the 2 current Board members who have served their terms with the Board: Dr. John R. Bailey, Chairperson of the Board, who served over 3 terms with the Board and Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton, Co-Chairperson of the Board, for her 7 years of service on the Board of Dentistry.

At this time, the floor was then opened so other meeting attendees could offer their gratitude and words to both Dr. Bailey and Dr. Jeffries-Morton. Board members, Board staff, Legal staff, Department staff, and members of the public all took turns to say a few words.

Mrs. Walker ended her report by advising that Hands-On Dental School has been approved by the Board to offer the hands-on course for Dental Assistant Level III. She advised that the application is scheduled to launch in the coming weeks and all the relevant information will be available on the website.

This concluded Mrs. Walker’s report.

1. **BOD Calendar**
 - January 17, 2024 (Virtual)
 - February 21, 2024 (Cancelled due to DC Health moving)
 - March 20, 2024 (Virtual)
 - April 17, 2024 (Virtual)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 15, 2024 (Virtual) • June 12, 2024 (In Person & Virtual) • July 17, 2024 (Virtual) • August (Recess) • September 18, 2024 (In Person & Virtual) <p>2. <u>BOD Census</u> Dentists (1,134) Dental Hygienists (484) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia (102) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Local Anesthesia & Nitrous Oxide (89) Dental Hygienists with the authority to administer Nitrous Oxide (2) Dental Assistant Level 1 (153) Dental Assistant Level 2 (544) Teaching Licenses for Dentists (3) Teaching Licenses for Dental Hygienist (0)</p> <p>3. 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: https://mota.dc.gov/page/boards-vacancies-or-available-seats</p>	
<p>OS-0612-05</p>	<p>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT: Ms. Carla Williams No Report</p> <p>The following orders have been issued since the last Board meeting:</p>	
<p>OS-0612-06</p>	<p>BOARD CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT: Dr. John R. Bailey, DDS, announced the new committee member appointments: Dr. Michelle Latortue will be working on the Communications Committee and Mrs. Brittany Harris-Campbell will be working with the Regulatory Affairs Committee.</p> <p>This concludes Dr. Bailey’s report.</p>	
<p>OS-0612-07</p>	<p>CONSENT AGENDA:</p> <p>The following applications were reviewed by Dr. John Bailey (Chairperson), Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Vice-Chairperson), or Mrs. Ericka Walker (Executive Director), from May 8, 2024 – June 5, 2024:</p>	

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Shin Young	Lee	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I
Yemeserach	Tadese	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I
Alessandra	DePaolo	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I
Jesus	Ramirez	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I
Aybra	VanderHaar	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I
Maryam	Sholeh Sadi Venegas-	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I
Oscar	Perez	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I
Shameka	McAddley	DENTAL ASSISTANT- LEVEL I
Wanda	Isaac	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II
Purevragchaa	Enebish	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II
Yaneiry	Rosales	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II
damaris	rios	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II
Deltona	Samuels	DENTAL ASSISTANT - LEVEL II
Tanae	Jones	DENTAL HYGIENIST
Jerrika	Stewart	DENTAL HYGIENIST
Shannon	Wright	DENTAL HYGIENIST
Erin	Akin	DENTAL HYGIENIST
Carmyn	Ward	DENTAL HYGIENIST
Brittini	Roye	DENTAL HYGIENIST
Kim	Hill	DENTAL HYGIENIST
Jayasanker	Valiyaparambil	DENTIST
Peter	Balacky	DENTIST
Preetinder	Kaur	DENTIST
Derek	Weigand	DENTIST
Jesus	Vivar	DENTIST
Lauren	Lizardo	DENTIST
Charmaine	Cha-Camp	DENTIST
Fatima	Maarouf	DENTIST
Min Seong	Kim	DENTIST
Mintra	Thuntarug	DENTIST
Mustajab	Khalil	DENTIST
Majid	Dastgir	DENTIST
Kaveh	Eden	DENTIST
Sybil	Jones	DENTIST
Christina	Wang	DENTIST
Megan	Trask	DENTIST
Adeola	Adebayo	DENTIST
Arash	Baghi	DENTIST
Margaret	Falade	LOCAL ANESTHESIA
Shannon	Wright	LOCAL ANESTHESIA
Kimberly	Mcelwee	LOCAL ANESTHESIA
Dawn	Gibbs	LOCAL ANESTHESIA AND NITROUS OXIDE
Jerrika	Stewart	LOCAL ANESTHESIA AND NITROUS OXIDE

	<p>Alexa Thanh</p>	<p>McArthur Tran</p>	<p>LOCAL ANESTHESIA AND NITROUS OXIDE LOCAL ANESTHESIA AND NITROUS OXIDE</p>	
<p>BOARD ACTION:</p>				
<p>Acceptance of the Consent Agenda. Motion: The Board to accept the consent agenda. Moved by: Ms. Dianne Smith (Consumer Member) Seconded by: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Vice Chairperson) Motion passed unanimously.</p>				

DISCUSSION ITEMS

OS-0612-08 LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Mr. Matteo Lieb, DC Health’s Legislative Affairs Specialist, to provide updates on the following:

Health Occupations Revision Act (HORA) Update:

- DC Health worked on a significant revision of the HORA. This would be the first significant revision in seventeen years.
- The revised HORA received Mayoral approval and has been introduced in the Council as the *Health Occupations Revision General Amendment Act of 2023* ([B25-0545](#)).
- This legislation received a hearing on [December 7th](#). Over 80 witnesses, many of whom were healthcare professionals, signed up to provide testimony. DC Health’s Associate Director of Health Professional Licensing Boards provided testimony in support and answered questions from the Council.
- DC Health has been working on the Committee on Health following that hearing. A mark-up was held on [March 21st, 2024](#). The legislation was passed unanimously by the Committee of the Whole on First Reading on April 2nd and on Second Reading on May 7th. The legislation was signed by the Mayor on May 29th and will now go through Congressional Review. OGR anticipates this will become law by either early August or early September.

Dental Specialties Licensure and Scope of Practice Amendment Act of 2023

- Following efforts by the Board of Dentistry, Chairman Mendelson (at the request of Mayor Bowser) introduced the *Dental Specialties Licensure and Scope of Practice Amendment Act of 2023* ([B25-0632](#)) on December 13, 2023.
 - The bill expands the scope of practice for dentists, including adding the ability to provide immunizations. It establishes a new license for those seeking to practice oral and maxillofacial surgery. Finally, it closes a loophole to ensure non-licensed professionals are not involved in the operations or management of a dental practice.
- This bill was not incorporated into the *Health Occupations Revision General Amendment Act of 2023* ([B25-0545](#)). It is scheduled for a hearing on July 10th, 2024, during which DC Health will testify.

DC Health Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Oversight

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DC Health will have its Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Oversight hearing in early April. This hearing offers an opportunity for the Committee on Health to review DC Health’s proposed budget for the 2025 Fiscal Year. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ You can find information about the proposed Fiscal Year 2025 budget here. ▪ There were two hearings, one on April 10th for public witnesses and one on April 11th for representatives from DC Health. During the hearing, there was discussion around staffing for health professional licensing boards and investments to address healthcare workforce issues. ▪ The mark-up for DC Health’s budget in the Committee on Health was held on May 9th. The marked-up FY25 budget was advanced unanimously out of Committee. It then went to the Committee of the Whole where it was passed on First Reading with 11 votes. The next legislative meeting is on June 11th. <p>Council Recess:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The District of Columbia Council will be on recess starting on July 15th through September 15th. ▪ During that time, limited activity can take place by the Council.
OS-0612-09	<p><u>Carla M. Williams and Matteo Lieb:</u> Dental Specialties Licensure and Scope of Practice Amendment Act of 2023</p> <p>Ms. Carla Williams presented a redline version of the Bill, then proceeded to go each section, pointing out and explaining any changes that were made. Mr. Lieb then took the time to mention that the Committee on Health and Council will host a formal hearing regarding this bill and DC Health will provide testimony there. Mr. Kurt Gallagher and Dr. Cheryle Baptiste then took time to relay their thoughts on the bill and suggested areas of possible improvement, especially with the language used in certain sections. Mr. Lieb and Ms. Williams both took time to address the concerns that were posed by Mr. Gallagher and Dr. Baptiste before Dr. Bailey said his final words and concluded this topic.</p>
OS-0612-10	<p>DENTAL BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES <u>(NEW APPOINTEES IN RED)</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Credentials & Audits:</u> Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton and Dr. John Bailey 2. <u>Communications:</u> Dr. Michelle Latortue 3. <u>Regulatory Affairs:</u> Ms. Dianne Smith and Mrs. Brittany Harris-Campbell
OS-0612-10	<p><u>COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u> Please type your name and organization in the chat.</p> <p>Dr. Cheryle Baptiste took this time to thank Dr. Bailey and Dr. Jeffries-Morton for their continued service as Board Chair and Co-Chair. She stated she truly saw a change in the way the Board operated during their tenure.</p>

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CLOSING	
OS-0612-11	<p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p>The Board member should move as follows:</p> <p>“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).”</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">ROLL CALL VOTE</p> <p>Motion: The Board to close the Open Session Meeting. Moved by: Dr. Iris Jeffries-Morton (Vice Chairperson) Seconded by: Mrs. Brittany Harris-Campbell (Board Member) 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
The meeting adjourned at 10:18 AM
The next meeting is scheduled on July 17, 2024

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