

**MINUTES**  
**S.C. Board of Dentistry**  
**Board Meeting**  
**April 18, 2008**  
**Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building**  
**Columbia, South Carolina**

On Friday, April 18, 2008, Dr. J. Douglas Snowden, President, called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m. Other members present included: Dr. Charles Millwood, Jr., Secretary, Dr. Thomas M. Dixon, Ms. Genie M. Duncan, Dr. Felicia Goins, Dr. David Jones, Dr. Charles Wade, and Sherie Williams, R.D.H.

Dr. C. Timothy Assey, Vice President, was granted an excused absence.

Staff members present included: Rion Alvey, Administrator; Sherry Bailey, Administrative Specialist; and Kay Parrish, Administrative Assistant. Sandra Dickert, Administrative Assistant; Marvin Frierson, Attorney; Kathy Meadows, Investigator; Sheridan Spoon, Deputy General Counsel, Shirley Robinson, Hearing Attorney, and Elliott Willis, Investigator, OIE; were also present.

Dr. Snowden announced that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the Board office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, and by notice mailed to The State Newspaper, Associated Press, and all other requesting persons, organization or news media in accordance with Section 30-4-80 of the S. C. Freedom of Information Act.

**Motion:** Dr. Dixon made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion received a second from Dr. Jones. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the January 11, 2008 meeting. **Motion:** Dr. Dixon made a motion the minutes from the January 11, 2008 meeting be approved as written. The motion received a second from Dr. Goins. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Dixon made a motion the Board ratify its previous decision to license the following applicants who have met all SRТА/CRDTS/(ADEX/ADLEX)/CREDENTIALS requirements for licensure. The motion received a second from Dr. Goins. The motion carried unanimously.

**Dentists**

Joseph R. Drake, DDS  
Michael LeDonne, DDS  
Lynda Grossman, DDS  
Thomas Bailey, DDS  
Jon Ohnezett, DDS

Merinan S. Martin, DMD  
Lindsay Pabst, DDS  
Anastasia Voronina, DDS  
Marjorie W. Barndt, DMD  
Denise Swasty, DDS

Adrian Rowe, DDS  
Andrew Chandler, DMD  
Richard Frye, DMD  
Michael Alessi, DDS

**Motion:** Ms. Williams made a motion the Board ratify its previous decision to reinstate the following dental hygienist. The motion received a second from Dr. Goins. The motion carried unanimously.

Reinstatement – Dental Hygienist  
Ashley Doares

**Motion:** Ms. Williams made a motion the Board ratify its decision to approve the following dental hygienist applicants who have met all SRTA/CRDTS requirements for licensure. The motion received a second from Dr. Jones. The motion carried unanimously.

Dentist Hygienists

Stephanie Amerson	Melodie W. Bretscher	Kristi Colvin
Marquerite Connelly	Amber Fogle	Alyssa Shaw
Gail Arendsen	Lauren Arrowood	Allison Carroll
Mellissa Chambers	Tiffany J. Chappell	Taronda Clark
Lisa Dilello	Angela Hines	Sonya Knight
Andrea McNary	Sherry Murphy	Tiffney Osborne
Janet Powell	Jennifer Smith	Tyresia White
Shawana Shook	Janet Grande	Allyssa Henley
Katie Kutz	Kristine Watson	Mary Yasenak
Marinda Bryant	Ann DeLaTorrente	Tabitha Douglass
Tamara Johnson	Kyra Pelletier	Joan Shehan
Rebekah Axson	Stephanie Clark	Mary Danell
Michelle Dawson	Victoria Dimascio	Heidi Peterson
Mary Samuelson	Blair Smith	

**Motion:** Dr. Wade made a motion the Board enter into executive session to consider a disciplinary matter. The motion received a second from Dr. Millwood. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Wade made a motion the Board return to public session. The motion received a second from Dr. Dixon. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Dixon made a motion the Board accept the hearing panel's recommendation in regard to Charles R. Conner, DMD. The motion received a second from Dr. Goins. The motion carried with a majority vote. Dr. Jones and Ms. Duncan opposed the motion.

**Motion:** Dr. Goins made a motion the Board enter into executive session to consider a disciplinary matter. The motion received a second from Dr. Dixon. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Millwood made a motion the Board return to public session. The motion received a second from Dr. Dixon. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Dixon made a motion the terms and conditions of Dr. Russell Hurst's probation be maintained as stated. The motion received a second from Dr. Millwood. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Recess**

The Board recessed at 10:27 a.m. and returned to public session at 10:33 a.m.

### **Return to Public Session**

Application for Dental License by Credentials

**Motion:** Dr. Dixon made a motion the Board enter executive session to deliberate on a licensure matter. The motion received a second from Dr. Goins. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Millwood made a motion the Board return to public session. The motion received a second from Ms. Duncan. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Jones made a motion the Board grant Dr. John Hudec licensure by credential. The motion received a second from Dr. Dixon. The motion carried unanimously.

Application for Dental License by Credentials – Alan Mark Helerstein

**Motion:** Ms. Duncan made a motion the Board enter into executive session to deliberate on a licensure matter. The motion received a second from Dr. Goins. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Wade made a motion the Board return to public session. The motion received a second from Dr. Millwood. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Millwood made a motion the Board grant Dr. Alan Mark Helerstein licensure by credential. The motion received a second from Dr. Wade. The motion carried unanimously.

Application for Dental License – Harold Daniel

**Motion:** Dr. Millwood made a motion the Board enter into executive session to deliberate on a licensure matter. The motion received a second from Ms. Duncan. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Goins made a motion the Board return to public session. The motion received a second from Dr. Millwood. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Jones made a motion the Board approve Dr. Harold Daniel for licensure by credential. The motion received a second from Dr. Millwood. The motion carried unanimously.

Applicant for Dental Hygienist License – Chandra L. Golden

**Motion:** Ms. Williams made a motion the Board enter into executive session to consider a licensure matter. The motion received a second from Ms. Duncan. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Dr. Dixon made a motion the Board return to public session. The motion received a second from Ms. Duncan. The motion carried unanimously.

**Motion:** Ms. Williams made a motion the Board grant Chandra Golden licensure as a dental hygienist by credential. The motion received a second from Dr. Goins. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board then heard public comments made by Dr. John Cosby. Dr. Cosby stated he is the Board's representative to ADEX and he understands Kentucky has now filed an application to become a member. He went on to say ADEX has developed a prototype exam that is quite different from any other exam in which he has been associated. He believes it is a very unique exam. He encouraged the members to attend the CRDTS annual meeting. He noted he would be running for president-elect of CRDTS. He thanked the members for serving on the Board. He believes the Board should be involved in the AADE meetings and the Southern Conference of Dental Deans meetings.

The Board then reviewed the March 20, 2008 IRC Report.

Dismissals

2007-14	2007-84	2007-85	2007-87	2007-88	2007-90
2007-93	2007-94	2007-95	2007-101	2007-105	

Dismiss – Cease and Desist

2007-75      2007-108

Letter of Caution

2007-89

Formal Complaint

2006-94      2007-48      2007-49

**Motion:** Dr. Dixon made a motion the Board accept the March 20, 2008 IRC report as it pertains to the following cases. The motion received a second from Dr. Millwood. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board received an update on the election for the sixth congressional district. Mr. Alvey stated Dr. John Whittington is the only individual who has submitted a petition with the required 15 names. He went on to say Dr. Whittington submitted his petition on April 10, 2008 which was after the April 2, 2008 deadline for petitions. Prior to the April 2, 2008 deadline staff was contacted by two other individuals who indicated they were obtaining names for petitions; however, those petitions have not been received. Dr. Snowden asked Mr. Alvey what should be done. Mr. Alvey stated Mr. Sheridan Spoon may need to advise the Board on the course the Board should take on this matter. Dr. Snowden suggested staff inform the other two individuals the petitions must be received no later than May 1, 2008.

Mr. Alvey presented the Board with a copy of Senate Bill 882 which deals with dental instructors licenses. He stated the bill was referred to the Senate Medical Affairs Committee, which has favorably voted the bill to the full Senate. He noted there is no problem with the bill. He went on to say the intent of the bill would allow the technical schools to attract the qualified instructors to teach the dental hygiene and dental assistants as the ADA accredited schools.

Mr. Alvey stated 4,459 licensees renewed their licenses online this year. He went on to say an estimated 17% of the licensees submitted their renewals by the paper renewal form.

Ms. Bailey stated there are four retired dentists as well as five dental hygienists who have retired.

Dr. Snowden stated Dr. Millwood would be in charge of the specialty exam to be administered on July 12, 2008. He reminded the members that the Board implemented a policy last year that staff would be in touch with the deputy examiners.

The Board members then reviewed the draft newsletter. Ms. Parrish asked that the members take the newsletter and notify her of any changes, additions or deletions to the draft newsletter.

On April 8, 2008 Mrs. Zeman emailed a question regarding 'oraquix' to Dr. Jones. The email stated that the office had received a question from the American Dental Hygienists' association asking whether or not a South Carolina licensed dental hygienist is authorized to place 'oraquix'. Dr. Jones' reply to Mrs. Zeman states that 'oraquix' is a topical anesthesia that is injected into the periodontal pocket. His personal opinion is that it should fall under the anesthesia guidelines for hygienists. The Board briefly discussed this matter. Ms. Williams stated she does not feel a specialty license is required to administer 'oraquix'.

Dr. Snowden declared the meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. Rion Alvey  
Administrator