

**Maine Board of Dental Practice
Subcommittee on Dental Hygienists
Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2017**

The Subcommittee meeting convened at 8:00 a.m.

All Members Present: Tricia Spearin, RDH, EFDA; Ann Marie Grenier, RDH; Nancy Foster, RDH, EFDA; Geraldine Schneider, DMD; and Stephen Morse, DMD

Also Present: Lisa Howard, DMD; Catherine Kasprak, RDH; Bonnie Vaughan, RDH; Lorraine Klug, RDH, Lauren LaRochelle, Assistant Attorney General; Teneale Johnson, Executive Secretary; and Penny Vaillancourt, Executive Director

Subcommittee Meeting Minutes:

- **January 6, 2017:** Dr. Schneider made a motion to accept the minutes as drafted. Dr. Morse seconded the motion and it passed with Ms. Grenier recused.
- **February 10, 2017:** Ms. Grenier made a motion to accept the minutes as drafted. Dr. Schneider seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Secretary's Desk:

- **Continuing Education Approval List:** Ms. Spearin asked about a course that had been approved in the last few months but was not listed on the document. Board staff will follow up and report back at the April meeting.
- **Preliminary Agenda:** Ms. Grenier reported that she is unavailable for the May 12, 2017 meeting.

Executive Director's Report:

- **Legislative Update:** The Board will be providing a report back to the Legislative Committee on the Phase II Statutory Review pursuant to Public Law 2016, c. 429.
- **Rulemaking Update:** The Board will be reviewing the comments received thus far regarding Chapter 14; and Chapter 13 is moving through the rule making process. The Rules Committee members will meet again on March 31st to discuss the licensing chapters.
- **Statute Review:** When time permits, Ms. Vaillancourt will provide an overview of the new statute to Subcommittee members, with an emphasis on portions related to dental hygiene.

Executive Director's Report (Cont'd):

- Update on Interviews for New Position: Ms. Vaillancourt informed the members that two interviews were recently conducted for the Board Investigator/ Inspector position.

Public Health Supervision Notification - Kristi Leidemann, RDH: Ms. Leidemann filed a public health supervision notification form and indicated that she had provided PHS services from January 1st to February 10th without an active PHS #. Ms. Foster made a motion to generate a complaint to further investigate any potential violations of board rule chapter 2 section III (D). Dr. Morse seconded the motion and it passed with Ms. Grenier and Dr. Schneider opposed.

Application for Dental Hygiene License Renewal - Kathleen Clarke, RDH: Ms. Spearin made a motion to enter executive pursuant to 1 M.R.S. §405 (G) at 8:23 a.m. to discuss confidential information related to a renewal application. Dr. Morse seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The Members came out of executive session at 8:36 a.m. Ms. Spearin made a motion to table the renewal application for Ms. Clarke in order to request further information, including: (1) a letter from her primary care physician; (2) a letter from her employer which should include her current job responsibilities and whether she can practice the full scope of dental hygiene services, and how long she has been employed with that office; and (3) documentation from other state agencies on any restriction placed on any license/certification held by her (i.e. Department of Motor Vehicle). Ms. Foster seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Application for Dental Hygiene License Renewal - Meghan Packard, RDH: Following review of the application and accompanying documentation relating to a "yes" response, Ms. Grenier made a motion to table the license renewal application until finalization of the deferred disposition. Dr. Morse seconded the motion and it passed with all members in favor. Ms. Grenier made a motion that a letter be sent to the licensee reminding her that she must communicate with the Board following the disposition of the case. Dr. Morse seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Grenier made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 a.m. Ms. Foster seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teneale E. Johnson
Executive Secretary