

**Maine Board of Dental Practice  
Subcommittee on Denturists  
Subcommittee Minutes – December 8, 2017**

The Subcommittee meeting convened at 9:06 a.m.

**Subcommittee Members Present:** Ms. Kathryn Young, LD; Mr. John Merrill, LD; Mr. Michael Adkins, LD; Dr. Paul Dunbar; and Dr. Glen Davis

**Minutes – June 9, 2017:** Following their review, Mr. Merrill made a motion to approve the minutes of June 9, 2017 as drafted. Dr. Davis seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Secretary’s Desk:**

- Continuing Education Approval List – The information was accepted as an FYI.
- Preliminary Agenda for Upcoming Meetings – The information was accepted as an FYI.

**Executive Director’s Report:**

- Legislative Update: Ms. Vaillancourt is drafting an Informational Letter that will be distributed to licensees reporting on the newly enacted legislation during the 128<sup>th</sup> First Regular Session. The Board and its legal counsel discussed the applicability of the new law requiring dentists who are authorized to prescribe medications to develop an opioid prescribing policy by January 1, 2018. Ms. Vaillancourt reminded members that the legislative session will soon convene, and will update members regarding legislative activity that is being monitored.
- Rulemaking Update: Ms. Vaillancourt reported that the Board is waiting to receive proposed rule, chapter 13 back from the Governor’s which is under review; along with the other licensing chapters. She also reported that the Rules Committee is scheduled to meet in January 2018.
- Adjudicatory Hearing Update: There are two dates scheduled for adjudicatory hearing in December 2017.
- Statute Review: Ms. Vaillancourt will provide the Subcommittee members with an overview of the Board’s authorizing statute as it relates to dental hygiene.

- Requests for licensees to go from Inactive status to Active status: Board staff will work with legal counsel to develop a detailed matrix outlining the current delegations and present it to the members at a future meeting.

***At 9:16 a.m., the Subcommittee on Denturists and Board of Dental Practice convened a Combined Meeting. Please see Board Minutes dated December 8, 2017.***

The Subcommittee meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Teneale E. Johnson  
Executive Secretary