

**HYBRID (IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL)  
DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 10, 2024**

**PRESENT:** Troy Alton, DDS; Lisa Bahr, RDH; Matthew Bistan, DDS; Joan Fox (*via Zoom*); Shaheda Govani, DDS (*via Zoom*); David Gundersen; Linda Jorgenson (*via zoom*), Debra Kolste (*via Zoom*); Katherine Schrubbe, RDH; Peter Sheild, DDS (*via Zoom*)

**EXCUSED:** Christine Kenyon

**STAFF:** Will Johnson, Executive Director; Jameson Whitney, Legal Counsel; Jacob Pelegrin, Administrative Rules Coordinator; Ashley Sarnosky, Board Administration Specialist; and other Department staff

**CALL TO ORDER**

Matthew Bistan, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. A quorum was confirmed with eight (8) members present.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Katherine Schrubbe moved, seconded by Troy Alton, to adopt the Agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 12, 2024**

**MOTION:** Troy Alton moved, seconded by David Gundersen, to approve the Minutes of June 12, 2024, as published. Motion carried unanimously.

*Peter Sheild arrived via zoom at 9:06 a.m.*

**INTRODUCTIONS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND RECOGNITION**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Troy Alton, to recognize and thank Diana Whalen for their years of dedicated service to the Board and State of Wisconsin. Motion carried unanimously.

**9:00 A.M. Preliminary Public Hearing on Scope Statement SS 053-24 for DE 1 to 17 relating to the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by David Gundersen, to affirm the Board has reviewed the public comments received concerning Scope Statement (SS) 053-24 on DE 1 to 17, Relating to the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact. Additionally, after considering the public comments received the Board approves SS 053-24 for implementation after consideration of all public comments and feedback. Motion carried unanimously.

**9:00 A.M. Preliminary Public Hearing on Scope Statement SS 054-24 for DE 5, 8, and 14 relating to Informed Consent**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Troy Alton, to affirm the Board has provided an opportunity to receive public comments concerning Scope Statement (SS) 054-24 on DE 5, 8, and 14, Relating to Informed Consent. Additionally, after consideration of all public comments and feedback the Board approves SS 054-24 for implementation. Motion carried unanimously.

*Shaheda Govani was excused at 11:04 a.m.*

*Peter Sheild was excused at 11:09 a.m.*

**CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Katherine Schrubbe, to convene to Closed Session to deliberate on cases following hearing (s. 19.85(1)(a), Stats.); to consider licensure or certification of individuals (s. 19.85(1)(b), Stats.); to consider closing disciplinary investigations with administrative warnings (ss. 19.85 (1)(b), and 440.205, Stats.); to consider individual histories or disciplinary data (s. 19.85(1)(f), Stats.); and to confer with legal counsel (s. 19.85(1)(g), Stats.). Matthew Bistan, Chairperson, read the language of the motion. The vote of each member was ascertained by voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Troy Alton-yes; Lisa Bahr-yes; Matthew Bistan-yes; Joan Fox-yes; David Gundersen-yes; Linda Jorgenson-yes; Debra Kolste-yes; and Katherine Schrubbe-yes. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board convened into Closed Session at 11:15 a.m.

**DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE (DLSC) MATTERS**

**Proposed Stipulations and Interim Orders**

***24 DEN 0040 – Eric J. Meeker***

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Lisa Bahr, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Interim Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Eric J. Meeker, DLSC Case Number 24 DEN 0040. Motion carried unanimously.

**Proposed Stipulations, Final Decisions and Orders**

**MOTION:** Lisa Bahr moved, seconded by Matthew Bistan, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of the following cases:  
22 DEN 112 – Tawfiq S. Nadi  
22 DEN 151 – Paul M. Elcano  
23 DEB 037 – Kyle J. Garro  
Motion carried unanimously.

**21 DEN 100, 22 DEN 037, 22 DEN 062, 22 DEN 183 & 22 DEN 127 – Patrick J. Crawford**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Katherine Schrubbe, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Patrick J. Crawford, DLSC Case Numbers 21 DEN 100, 22 DEN 037, 22 DEN 062, 22 DEN 183 and 22 DEN 127. Motion carried unanimously.

*Joan Fox was excused at: 11:26am*

**22 DEN 105 and 23 DEN 180 – Sami B. Kawas**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Troy Alton, to adopt the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order in the matter of disciplinary proceedings against Sami B. Kawas, DLSC Case Number 22 DEN 105 and 23 DEN 180. Motion carried unanimously.

*(David Gundersen recused themselves and left the room for deliberation and voting in the matter concerning Sami B. Kawas, DLSC Case Number 22 DEN 105 and 23 DEN 180.)*

**CREDENTIALING MATTERS**

**Application Review**

***Valeriia Barska – Dental Hygienist***

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Troy Alton, to deny the Dental Hygienist application of Valeriia Barska. **Reason for Denial:** Failure to submit evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant has graduated from an accredited school of dental hygiene. DE 2.04(2)(a). Motion carried unanimously.

**DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES AND COMPLIANCE (DLSC) MATTERS**

**Administrative Warnings**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Katherine Schrubbe, to issue an Administrative Warning in the following DLSC Cases:

1. 23 DEN 033 – D.J.S.
2. 23 DEN 183 – A.S.

Motion carried.

**Case Closings**

**MOTION:** David Gundersen moved, seconded by Lisa Bahr, to close the following DLSC Cases for the reasons outlined below:

22 DEN 143 – H.K.A. – No Violation  
 22 DEN 190 – B.D. & K.R.S. – Insufficient Evidence  
 23 DEN 001 – M.W.U. – P5  
 23 DEN 034 – B.L.W. – P1  
 23 DEN 046 – M.B.M. & M.E.O. – No Violation  
 23 DEN 063 – M.N.S. – No Violation  
 23 DEN 115 – V.S.P. – No Violation  
 23 DEN 123 – R.T. – No Violation  
 23 DEN 129 – U. – Insufficient Evidence  
 23 DEN 141 – B.R.F. – P1  
 23 DEN 150 – O.G. – No Violation  
 23 DEN 164 – D.W. – No Violation  
 23 DEN 167 – N.C. – No Violation  
 23 DEN 210 – L.L.D. – P1  
 24 DEN 004 – C.P.M. – No Violation

Motion carried.

**22 DEN 124 – J.O.M. & J.D.S.**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Troy Alton, to close DLSC Case Number 22 DEN 124 against J.O.M. and J.D.S., for No Violation. Motion carried unanimously.

*(David Gundersen recused themselves and left the room for deliberation and voting in the matter concerning J.O.M. AND J.D.S., DLSC Case Number 22 DEN 124.)*

**23 DEN 035 – D.C.D.**

**MOTION:** Lisa Bahr moved, seconded by Katherine Schrubbe, to close DLSC Case Number 23 DEN 035 against D.C.D., for P1. Motion carried unanimously.

*(David Gundersen recused themselves and left the room for deliberation and voting in the matter concerning D.C.D., DLSC Case Number 23 DEN 035.)*

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

**MOTION:** David Gundersen moved, seconded by Matthew Bistan, to reconvene into Open Session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 12:02 p.m.

**VOTE ON ITEMS CONSIDERED OR DELIBERATED UPON IN CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION:** Matthew Bistan moved, seconded by Lisa Bahr, to affirm all motions made and votes taken in Closed Session. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Katherine Schrubbe, seconded by Linda Jorgenson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.