

**KANSAS DENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FRIDAY, AUGUST 20, 2021, 9:00 A.M.
LANDON STATE OFFICE BUILDING, 4th FLOOR
900 SW JACKSON, ROOM 455-S
TOPEKA, KANSAS 66612**

A. Call to Order / Approval of the Agenda.

Call to Order: Mark Herzog, D.D.S., President, called the virtual Board meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. The Board meeting was held via Microsoft Teams due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and social distancing orders. No Board members or public members were permitted access to the state building or inside the Board office. Board staff operated the virtual meeting from inside the Board office. This was a virtual meeting only and accessible to all participants at no cost via audio-visual or telephonic connectivity points.

Members Present at Call to Order: Mark Herzog, D.D.S., President; Daniel Thomas, D.D.S., Vice-President; Jill Harding, R.D.H., Secretary; Rita Burnett, D.D.S.; Jill Ellner, D.D.S.; Maya Nunley, D.D.S.; Lacey Randa, D.D.S.; Rachael Wiebe, R.D.H.; and James Kilmartin, Public Member.

Members Arriving After Call to Order: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Brenda Head, Attorney for the Board; Lane Hemsley, Executive Director; Charity Carlat, Senior Administrative Specialist.

Attendees: All attendees appeared virtually only.

Approval of the Agenda: It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda. The motion passed.

B. Minutes of April 23, 2021.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of April 23, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Welcome New Board Member: Rita Burnett, D.D.S.

The Board officially welcomed Rita Burnett, D.D.S., as a new member of the Board. Dr. Burnett replaces Stanley Wint, D.D.S., as a dentist member. Her first term will run until April 30, 2025.

D. Welcome New Board Member: Jill Ellner, D.D.S.

The Board officially welcomed Jill Ellner, D.D.S., as a new member of the Board. Dr. Ellner replaces Jarrod Jones, D.D.S., as a dentist member. Her first term will run until April 30, 2025.

E. Clinical Examination Discussion: CDCA-WREB.

The Board welcomed Mark Christensen, D.D.S., who confirmed the combination of the regional testing agencies, CDCA and WREB, into a joint entity now known as CDCA-WREB. Dr. Christensen then provided a highly detailed and comprehensive overview of CDCA-WREB's dental student examination models pre-COVID (combination of patient-based and manikin-based), mid-COVID (manikin-based only), and post-COVID (patient-based, manikin-based, or clinical simulation). The fundamental purpose of the dental student examination is to primarily test psychomotor skills, not patient management skills. Although no testing model has more fidelity than the patient-based models, the manikin-based and clinical simulation models are viable alternatives for licensing agencies across the nation. As such, these models should be highly considered for continued use and future deployment.

The Board further welcomed Kelly Reich, R.D.H., to discuss the patient-based and manikin-based models for dental hygiene students. According to Ms. Reich, these two models are statistically more similar than different. In both models, a dental hygiene student performs an extra / intra oral exam, periodontal assessment (gingival recession, furcation classification, and calculus detection), calculus removal, and tissue management. The various dental hygiene examination models, like the dental student counterparts, are recommended for continued use.

After extended discussion regarding the various examination models from CDCA-WREB, including an acknowledgement that the other regional testing agencies offer the same or substantially similar models, it was moved and seconded to allow the following:

1. Dental Students Graduating in 2022 (Patient-Based, Manikin-Based, or Clinical Simulation Exam). All patient-based, manikin-based, or clinical simulation exams from all regional testing agencies will be accepted for licensing purposes for 2022 dental graduates only.

2. Dental Hygiene Students Graduating in 2022 (Patient-Based, Manikin-Based, or Clinical Simulation Exam). All patient-based, manikin-based, or clinical simulation exams from all regional testing agencies will be accepted for licensing purposes for 2022 dental hygiene graduates only.

The separate motions passed unanimously. The Board staff was subsequently directed to incorporate the examination information on the Board's website and in its licensing processes.

F. New Dental Examiner Information: CDCA-WREB.

The Board recognized Mark Christensen, D.D.S., to discuss the onboarding processing of becoming a dental or dental hygiene examiner for CDCA-WREB. All duly appointed Board members automatically qualify to become a dental or dental hygiene examiner. Like other regional testing agencies, CDCA-WREB develops and administers competency assessments for state agencies that license dental and dental hygiene professionals. Board members interested in becoming an examiner were encouraged to contact the testing agency of their choice.

G. ECP III Inquiry: Susan Shelite, R.D.H.

The Board welcomed Susan Shelite, R.D.H., from the Sedgwick County Health Department, which is a federally qualified healthcare center (FQHC). Originally, Ms. Shelite inquired into what type of medical provider was needed to be onsite for an ECP III to administer local anesthesia. After further discussion, however, Ms. Shelite withdrew her original question and was referred to the ECP III provision, K.S.A. 65-1456(h). The Board took no action.

H. Public Forum.

The Board welcomed members of the public to speak to the Board. There were no public comments.

I. President's Report: Dr. Herzog.

1. Investigative Process Discussion. The Board's attorney, Brenda Head, provided an overview of the Board's investigative process as it relates to the Kansas Dental Practices Act, K.S.A. 65-1421 *et seq.*, and the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act, K.S.A. 77-501 *et seq.*

2. Appointment of Investigative Committee Member. Dr. Herzog appointed Jill Ellner, D.D.S., to replace Stanley Wint, D.D.S., as a member of the Board's investigative committee pursuant to K.S.A. 74-1405 and K.S.A. 74-1406.

**J. Investigations Report: Dr. Herzog / Lane Hemsley.
Inspections Report: Dr. Johnson.**

Mark Herzog, D.D.S., and Lane Hemsley presented the status of the Investigative Committee cases from January 1, 2021, to July 23, 2021.

Dr. Herzog further reported that the Board members, staff, and colleagues should continue encouraging dental offices to maintain enhanced safety protocols and procedures to ensure continuity of care for patients statewide.

K. Executive Report: Lane Hemsley.

1. Budget. An update was provided on the budget for FY 2022 (July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022) and FY 2023 (July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023).

2. Licensee and Specialty Licensee Report. License and specialty license reports were provided for January 1, 2021, to July 27, 2021.

L. New Business / Adjournment.

1. Selection of Board Meeting Dates for 2022.

- a. Friday, January 14, 2022.
- b. Friday, April 8, 2022.
- c. Friday, August 12, 2022.
- d. Friday, November 18, 2022.

2. Selection of Board Meeting Dates for 2023.

- a. Friday, January 13, 2023.
- b. Friday, April 14, 2023.
- c. Friday, August 18, 2023.
- d. Friday, November 17, 2023.

Adjournment: It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 11:54 a.m. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Jill Harding, R.D.H.
Jill Harding, R.D.H.
Secretary, Kansas Dental Board

August 20, 2021
Date