

**KANSAS DENTAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2020, 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 telephonic Board meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The Board meeting was held telephonically only 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 meeting from inside the Board office. This was a telephonic meeting only and accessible to all participants toll free.

Members Present at Call to Order: Mark Herzog, D.D.S., President; Stanley Wint, D.D.S., Vice-President; Jill Harding, R.D.H., Secretary; Jarrod Jones D.D.S., Daniel Thomas, D.D.S.; Maya Nunley, 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: Randy Forbes, Attorney for the Board; Lane Hemsley, Executive Director; Charity Carlat, Senior Administrative Specialist.

Attendees: All attendees appeared telephonically only.

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

B. Minutes of August 14, 2020.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of August 14, 2020. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Clinical Examination Discussion: CDCA.

The Board welcomed Guy Champagne, D.D.S., an oral surgeon and UMKC graduate, to provide the CDCA's dental examination overview. The CDCA has two dental student examination models: (1) A patient-based examination; and (2) a manikin-based examination. The focus of the presentation is the manikin-based examination. The manikin-based examination relies on a simulated human tooth, which is a fully patented design based on

proprietary CDCA technology. The simulated human tooth has been in development for over three years and is not a response to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the simulation, each tooth and lesion is different, which replicates a clinical setting. All lesions require modifications, which is critical because it requires examination candidates to demonstrate proper clinical analysis while testing both psycho-motor skills and judgment. The CDCA offers each examination model for deployment according to the decision of each state board.

The Board further welcomed Shayna Overfelt, a hygienist, to provide the CDCA's dental hygiene examination overview. In 2020, 73 Kansas dental hygiene candidates challenged the Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE). The CDCA has three dental hygiene student examination models that were used or combined in some manner during 2020: (1) Patient-based examination; (2) manikin-based examination; and (3) OSCE. In 2021, the CDCA will make a few modifications to its manikin-based examination, including an enhancement to the number of locations that calculus will be placed, the calculus will not be black, and teeth will be manufactured with a harder surface.

D. Clinical Examination Discussion: WREB.

The Board welcomed Bruce Horn, D.D.S., to discuss WREB's examination options. WREB has two dental student examination models: (1) Patient-based examination; and (2) manikin-based examination. Likewise, WREB has three dental hygiene student examination models: (1) Patient-based examination; (2) manikin-based examination; and (3) OSCE. Dr. Horn provided the Board a thorough overview of each examination model.

After extended discussed regarding the various examination models from both the CDCA and WREB, including an acknowledgment 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 2021 (Patient-Based or Manikin-Based Clinical Examination). All patient-based or manikin-based clinical examinations from all regional testing agencies will be accepted for licensing purposes for 2021 dental graduates only.

2. Dental Hygiene Students Graduating in 2021.

a. Patient-Based Clinical Examination. All patient-based clinical examinations from all regional testing agencies will be accepted for licensing purposes for 2021 dental hygiene graduates only.

b. Manikin-Based Clinical Examination + OSCE. The combination of manikin-based clinical examinations plus an OSCE from all regional testing agencies will be accepted for licensing purposes for 2021 dental hygiene graduates only.

E. Presentation regarding Proposed Requirements for Dental Assistants: Kansas Dental Assistants Association (KDAA).

The Board welcomed Kate Benton, R.D.H., Brooke Horner, R.D.H., and Monica Jones, R.D.H., to discuss their objectives regarding the future status of dental assistants in Kansas. Currently, dental assistants are classified as nonlicensed persons under the statutory framework of the Kansas Dental Practices Act (Act). The KDAA would like the Board to support modifications to the Act that would require the future registration or licensing of dental assistants. With this modification, the KDAA would also like each dental assistant to obtain mandatory continuing dental education hours for purposes of license or registration renewal. After extended discussion, the Board advised the KDAA that the proposed changes require the approval of the Kansas Legislature, which is the only governmental body capable of modifying the statutory framework of the Act. As such, no formal Board action was taken.

F. Dental Assistant and Supragingival Scaler Discussion: Rachael Wiebe, R.D.H.

The Board recognized one of its dental hygiene members, Rachael Wiebe, R.D.H., to discuss the current and future status of supragingival scalers in Kansas. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to rescind K.A.R. 71-6-3.

Following a role call vote, the motion failed 2 – 5, with Rachael Wiebe, R.D.H., and Jill Harding, R.D.H., in support and all others present opposed. Mr. Kilmartin, Public Member, was absent for the vote. No further action was taken as the Board agreed to revisit the issue on another occasion.

G. COVID-19 Vaccination Discussion.

The Board received an inquiry regarding whether it would support the designation of dentists and dental hygienists as temporary vaccinators for purposes of administering the COVID-19 vaccination. Dental offices will likely not be the source of, or storage facilities for, the Pfizer or Moderna vaccinations due to heavy refrigeration requirements that already exist within pharmacy and hospital settings. Although no formal action was taken, the Board acknowledged its willingness to assist as needed if the Governor authorizes dentists and dental hygienists to become temporary vaccinators for the COVID-19 vaccines.

H. Stipulation and Consent Orders.

1. Jane Grove, D.D.S. (Case No. 18-91). Attorney Randy Forbes presented the Stipulation and Consent Order. It was moved and seconded to approve the Stipulation and Consent Order, a copy of which will be posted to the Board's website. The motion passed unanimously.

I. Public Forum.

The Board welcomed members of the public to speak to the Board. Gary Pickard, Government Affairs Director for Pacific Dental, advised the Board that only a few states

presently allow dentists to administer general use vaccines, such as the seasonal flu shot. Mr. Pickard advised that Pacific Dental is interested in the expansion of general and COVID-19 vaccines for dental office within Kansas and other states. The Board took no formal action on this comment.

J. President's Report: Dr. Herzog.

Dr. Herzog continued to express his appreciation to the Board members and its staff during the challenges faced from the COVID-19 pandemic. He advised that, to date, there have been no news reports regarding super or mega-spreader events from dental offices in Kansas, which is great news for the continued operation of dental offices.

Dr. Herzog appointed Daniel Thomas, D.D.S., to replace Stephen Zeller, 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.

**K. 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, 2020, to October 14, 2020. Steve Johnson, D.D.S., advised that sedation inspections are underway. Dr. Johnson has been assisting dental offices with ensuring that oropharyngeal airway are available and reversal drugs are in the drug kit for each sedation agent that is deployed.

L. Executive Report: Lane Hemsley.

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

2. Licensee and Specialty Licensee Report. License and specialty license reports were provided for July 16, 2020, to October 14, 2020.

M. New Business / Adjournment.

There was no new business.

Adjournment: It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 12:35 p.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
November 13, 2020
Date