

**MINUTES UTAH DENTIST
& DENTAL HYGIENIST MEETING**

March 1, 2024 9:00 A.M.

CONVENED: 9:01 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 1:13 P.M.

DOPL STAFF PRESENT:

Bureau Manager: Lisa Martin
Board Secretary: Allison Pulsipher
Assistant Division Director: Deborah
Blackburn

Investigations: Jake Guenon
Compliance Specialist: Lisa Lynn

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ruediger Tillmann, DDS
Gloria Miley
Kelly Faddis, DDS
Kathleen Young, RDH

Kathleen Harris, RDH
Kyle Shiffler, DDS/MD
Bryon Talbot, DDS
Jennifer Wahlen, DMD

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Marilyn Sadler, DDS/RDH

GUESTS:

Danyelle Evans
Brenda Armstrong
Len Aste

Richael Cobler
Kim Caldwell
Laura Green

Stacey Swilling, DHHS
Catrice Opichka, CRDTS

Note: Other guests may have been in attendance electronically but were not identified.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Call Meeting to Order

Ms. Harris called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Read and Approve December 1, 2023 Minutes (Audio 1 – 1:03:35)

Ms. Young provided some changes to the December meeting minutes.

Ms. Young motioned to approve the minutes with the changes made.

Dr. Tillmann seconded the motion.

The Board passed the motion unanimously.

Board Chair Vote (Audio 1 – 1:08:40)

Dr. Tillmann motioned for Ms. Harris to remain Board Chair.
Dr. Talbot seconded the motion.
The Board motion passed unanimously.

Investigations Update (Audio 1 – 1:11:00)

Mr. Guenon gave the investigations update.

14 additional cases were opened this quarter and 46 cases were closed.
Mr. Guenon stated the caseload has increased over the past few months.
Mr. Guenon gave the Board additional information regarding some of his recent cases.

Compliance Update (Audio 1 – 1:30:55)

Ms. Lynn gave the compliance report.

Dr. Hickman's reports are all current.
Dr. Hickman has 1 missed check-in.

Ms. Lyle has accepted a new job for a full-time position.

Dr. Newey is a new probationer for the Dental Board.
Ms. Lynn went over his requirements.

Ms. Harris asked for clarification regarding notes included with Ms. Lyle.
Ms. Lynn explained that Ms. Lyle has yet to complete her continuing education required by her stipulation.

APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Mark Newey, Initial Probationary Interview (Audio 2 – 0:00:10, Audio 3 0:00:05)

The Board introduced themselves to Dr. Newey.
Dr. Tillmann started the interview by asking Dr. Newey to introduce himself and explain his situation to the Board.
Dr. Newey introduced himself and explained why he is meeting with the Board.
Dr. Faddis asked Dr. Newey about his practice experience and what Dr. Newey's understanding of Utah's prescribing laws.
Dr. Newey explained his understanding of prescribing law.
Dr. Faddis went over Utah's prescribing laws and requirements.
Dr. Faddis asked about Dr. Newey's missing records.
Dr. Newey stated his record keeping has been sloppy and agrees it was bad practice and bad judgement.
Dr. Faddis asked Dr. Newey how he decides which medications he prescribes to patients and the amounts he prescribes.
Dr. Newey explained his process for prescribing medications to his patients.

Dr. Tillmann explained his experience with these types of medications to Dr. Newey and expressed his concerns regarding over-prescribing.

Dr. Shiffler shared his knowledge and experience regarding TMJ/TMD patients.

Dr. Shiffler asked Dr. Newey about his continuing education, how he sends patient prescriptions, and about his processes for when patients call back.

Dr. Newey confirmed the training he has completed, how he sends in prescriptions for his patients, and his process for patients who need additional help.

Ms. Young made a motion to close the meeting in accordance with the Open and Public Meetings Act, 52-4-205(1)(a) to investigative proceedings regarding allegations of criminal misconduct.

Dr. Talbot seconded the motion.

All Board members voted in favor of closing the meeting.

The meeting was closed at 11:37 a.m. The meeting was opened at 12:01 a.m.

Ms. Harris asked if Dr. Newey utilized IV sedation in his dental practice.

Dr. Newey stated he was until he surrendered his Controlled Substance License and has now hired a CRNA company to conduct his sedation.

Ms. Lynn informed the Board what the Division is looking for regarding Dr. Newey's stipulation.

Dr. Wahlen informed Dr. Newey of a training program the University of Utah is holding regarding TMD and sleep medicine.

Ms. Martin gave example topics the Board could recommend for Dr. Newey.

Dr. Talbot reminded the Board how they have handled situations like this in the past and recommended Dr. Newey research different courses and present a list of suggested courses for approval.

Ms. Young asked Dr. Newey what he would like to happen with his Controlled Substance License and his practice.

Dr. Newey stated he would like to reobtain his controlled substance license as soon as possible and explain how he would like to change his practice.

Dr. Shiffler motioned for Dr. Newey to submit continuing education to the Division for review by 2 Board Members within 30-days and allow monthly site checks by a Division Investigator.

Ms. Young seconded the motion.

The Board motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

JURISPRUDENCE EXAM (Audio 3 – 0:25:40)

Ms. Harris started the discussion regarding the Jurisprudence Exam and asked what the process would be to bring it back.

Ms. Martin explained to the Board what needs to happen to bring back the Jurisprudence Exam.

Ms. Young reminded the Board of the cost of maintaining a Jurisprudence Exam.

Dr. Tillmann recommended the Board Members speak with their legislator to start the discussion.

LIP AND TONGUE TIE REMOVAL (Audio 3 – 0:35:33)

Dr. Shiffler started the discussion regarding lip and tongue tie removal.

Dr. Shiffler explained to the Board an encounter he had with a neighbor and wanted to bring the discussion to the Board.

CDCA STEERING MEETING REVIEW (Audio 3 –0:43:30)

Dr. Tillmann explained to the Board what the CDCA Steering committee is.

Dr. Tillmann stated what he does being a member of the CDCA Steering Committee.

NATIONAL BOARD MEETING (Audio 3 – 0:43:30)

This topic was talked about in conjunction with CDCA Steering Committee.

CRDTS NEWLETTER REVIEW (Audio 3 – 0:55:53)

Ms. Young reminded the Board Members they received a copy of the CRDTS Newsletter and informed the Board to review the letter to understand CRDTS stance on the proposed dental licensure compacts.

AADB: DR. ART JEE (Audio 3 – 0:40:00)

Dr. Tillmann started the discussion regarding the AADB Compact and stated he intends to talk with Dr. Jee regarding the CRDTS being left out of the compact.

Ms. Martin explained to the Board about the process of compacts being introduced in the past.

INTERNATIONALLY TRAINED APPLICANTS (Audio 1 – 0:02:34)

Ms. Blackburn started the discussion by informing the Board of recent bills that have been signed regarding internationally trained applicants in Utah.

Ms. Blackburn went over input the Internationally Trained Applicant Credentialing team has received since the last time she spoke with the Board.

CRDTS Care Program (Audio 1 – 0:10:40)

Ms. Catrice Opichka introduced the CRDTS Care program to the Board.

Dr. Tillmann stated his experience with the program in the past and expressed his feelings towards utilizing the CRDTS Care Program.

Ms. Harris asked Ms. Opichka to explain the cost of their program.

Ms. Opichka informed the Board the cost is not uniform and explained the process of the program.

Dr. Tillmann explained the current cost and process for an internationally trained dentist who goes through additional training with an accredited school.

Ms. Opichka went over the follow-up reports and check-ins that are built into the program and exams they could implement for internationally trained applicants.

Dr. Shiffler explained his experience with internationally trained dentists during his dental education and expressed his concerns.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: JUNE 7, 2024

ADJOURN:

Meeting adjourned at 1:13 P.M.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

June 7, 2024 (ss) Kathleen Young, RDH (acting)
Date Approved Chairperson, Utah Dentist & Dental Hygienist
Licensing Board

June 7, 2024 (ss) Jany Marx
Date Approved Bureau Manager, DOPL