



## BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS - October 27, 2023 meeting in Anchorage Minutes

Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing  
Oct 27, 2023 at 9:00 AM AKDT @ Atwood Building

### **Attendance**

#### **Present:**

Members: Dominic Wenzell, Megan Ferguson, Greg Johnson, Christina Hansen, Jesse Hronkin, Kenley Michaud, Newell Walther, Jonathan Woller

Guests: Katie Yaniec, Department of Health (DOH)

#### **Absent:**

Members: Bradley Heaston

#### I. Zoom information

Board of Dental Examiners is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Board of Dental Examiners October 27, 2023, Zoom Meeting

Time: Oct 27, 2023, 09:00 AM Alaska

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83762712828?pwd=UGIZREtiNm9qTEhiaTNwVGNhUnVpQT09>

Meeting ID: 837 6271 2828

Passcode: 972132

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kcZijJ5x1>

#### II. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dr. Greg Johnson at 9:01 am.

### **Attendance**

#### **Present:**

Members: Megan Ferguson, Greg Johnson, Christina Hansen, Kenley Michaud, Jonathan Woller

#### **Absent:**

Members: Bradley Heaston Dominic Wenzell, Jesse Hronkin, Newell Walther

#### A. Ethics Report

Dr. Johnson reported as the designated ethics supervisor for the board he had not received any notification of ethics violations.

#### **Motion:**

RESOLVED to APPROVE the Ethics Report as reported by Dr. Johnson

Motion moved by Kenley Michaud and motion seconded by Jonathan Woller. The motion passed unanimously.

#### B. Review/Approve Agenda

Dr. Woller requested the agenda be amended to include reports from the two sub committees that were created during the last Board meeting, possibly towards the end, but a specific time was not established.

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to APPROVE the agenda as written with the verbal understanding that it will include reports from the two sub committees as time allows.

Motion moved by Jonathan Woller and motion seconded by Kenley Michaud. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Review and Approve Meeting Minutes

Dr. Michaud indicated that the motion to approve the creation of a subcommittee to look at proposed sedation regulation changes is marked as having passed unanimously when he had voted no. Dr. Walther indicated that throughout the meeting he is marked as absent when he was in fact present and either didn't have his mic on or missed roll call. The Board agreed that Dr. Walther was in attendance throughout the meeting. The Board requested that staff edit the minutes to reflect Dr. Michaud and Dr. Walther's statements.

 [BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS - August 25 2023 meeting Minutes .docx](#)

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to APPROVE the August minutes with suggested edits.

Motion moved by Jonathan Woller and motion seconded by Megan Ferguson. The motion passed unanimously

IV. Investigative Report (Presenters: Joshua Hardy)

Investigator Josh Hardy presented the investigative report which covers the period of August 18th, 2023, through October 17, 2023, and reported there are 44 open cases currently, and 10 cases that were closed in this time period. The open cases represent 25 licensees, with some licensees having more than one open case. The Board Chair noticed two cases from 2019 and 2021 and Mr. Hardy provided explanation on what can cause some cases to take longer and discussed some of the methods the investigations team uses to contact those being investigated as well as how the investigations team compels responsiveness. The board decided to move into executive session to discuss the report of anesthesia complications.

 [DEN Board Report OCTOBER 2023.pdf](#)

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to APPROVE moving to Executive Session in accordance with AS 44.62.31 (0) (c) to discuss agenda item 4A.

Motion moved by Greg Johnson and motion seconded by Dominic Wenzell. The motion passed unanimously.

The board entered into executive session at 9:18 am and returned on the record at 9:26 am. A quorum was maintained.

## Attendance

### Present:

Members: Dominic Wenzell, Megan Ferguson, Greg Johnson, Christina Hansen, Jesse Hronkin, Kenley Michaud, Newell Walther, Jonathan Woller

Guests: Josh Hardy

### Absent:

Members: Bradley Heaston

A. Report of Recommendations - J.L.

The report of anesthesia complications was discussed, and it was determined the licensee acted in accordance with the law with no further action was required.

 [Anesthesia Event Board Report - 2023-000963 - J.L..pdf](#)

V. Statute/ Regulation Discussion

A. Sec. 08.36.234 / 12 AAC 28.951

The Board discussed the discrepancy between Dental Statute Sec. 08.36.234. Licensure by credentials (a) (1) which requires an active dental license in another state for licensing OR (2) passage of an examination as specified by the board in regulations, and Dental Regulation 12 AAC 28.951. DENTAL LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS which does not specify any sort of alternative examination in lieu of an active license. The Board did not think it wise to give the option of an exam under licensing by credentials as licensing by exam already exists. The Board asked that staff pose the question to law as to whether the Board could potentially be in legal jeopardy if a statute states that an exam alternative exists in regulation, but no such exam is stated as an option.

B. 12 AAC 28.925 / Sec. 08.01.100(d)

The Board discussed Dental Regulation 12 AAC 28.925. LAPSED LICENSES (b) which says dental hygiene or dentist licenses may be reinstated if they've been lapsed for more than 60 days but no more than 2 years, and the centralized statute Sec. 08.01.100. License renewal, lapse, and reinstatement (d) which allows for lapse status up for 5 years. The Board was not interested in lengthening the period of time at which a dental hygiene or dentist license may be reinstated due to the complicated nature of the practice of dentistry and the risks associated with being out of practice for an extended period of time to both providers and patients.

VI. Progress Report from Sub Committees

The Board chair moved to hear reports from the sub committees created during the previous Board meeting.

A. Myofunctional Therapy

Discussion began on this item but was cut short due to a scheduled speaker and resumed after lunch.

B. Sedation Regulation Changes

This item was delayed for discussion until after lunch.

VII. Health Professional Shortage Area Discussion / Q&A (Guests: Katie Yaniec, DOH)

Katie Yaniec with the Department of Health gave a slideshow presentation to the Board on Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSA's), what they are, and how an area receives the designation or has the designation removed. The Board is increasingly concerned about the different types of HPSA's and how they can be removed from an area because of Sec 08.32.125(b)(7) which appears to limit Dental Hygienists with an Advanced Practice Permit to a resident of a dental health professional shortage area, and whether that means they can't practice on populations that don't fall under the designation, meaning they could have their livelihoods interrupted by a change in a HPSA. The original statute was meant to encourage Dental Hygienists to practice in rural areas, but most of the state is currently under some type of HPSA, so providers aren't motivated to go to more rural location. The Board is interested in considering whether regulation can be written to define a population size in which and RDH with an advanced practice permit can practice. The Board also recommended having staff edit the current Advanced Practice Permit application to make applicants aware of HPSA designations with a link to the current HPSA map, staff will discuss options.

Break

Board went off the record at 10:44 am for a break, returning at 10:59 am.

## Attendance

**Present:**

Members: Dominic Wenzell, Megan Ferguson, Greg Johnson, Christina Hansen, Kenley Michaud, Newell Walther, Jonathan Woller

**Absent:**

Members: Bradley Heaston, Jesse Hronkin

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to APPROVE moving to Executive Session in accordance with AS 44.62.31 (0) (c) to discuss agenda item 8.

Motion moved by Dominic Wenzell and motion seconded by Jonathan Woller. The motion passed unanimously.

The board entered into executive session at 11:01 am and returned on the record at 11:24 am. A quorum was maintained.

## Attendance

**Present:**

Members: Dominic Wenzell, Megan Ferguson, Greg Johnson, Christina Hansen, Kenley Michaud, Newell Walther, Jonathan Woller, Jesse Hronkin

**Absent:**

Members: Bradley Heaston

VIII. Amendment to J.D. Consent Agreement

The proposed amended consent agreement for J.D. was presented by Karina Medina for Board approval.

 [Signed Amended Consent Agreement.pdf](#)

 [J.D. Investigative Memo.pdf](#)

 [J.D. Consent Agreement Ltr \(Respondent\) \(002\).pdf](#)

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to DENY the amended consent agreement.

Motion moved by Kenley Michaud and motion seconded by Jonathan Woller. The motion passed unanimously. Dominic Wenzell abstained from voting as the original reviewing board member in this case with Board Chair approval.

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to AMEND and add an additional 10 days of suspension to the original consent agreement and that those days be served between December 4th and December 15th.

Motion moved by Kenley Michaud and motion seconded by Christina Hansen. The motion passed unanimously. Dominic Wenzell abstained from voting as the original reviewing board member in this case with Board Chair approval.

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to AMEND agenda to shorten lunch hour to 11:30 am to 12:01 pm

Motion moved by Greg Johnson and motion seconded by Dominic Wenzell. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. Lunch

The board recessed for lunch at 11:29 am and returned to the record at 12:01 pm.

## Attendance

**Present:**

Members: Dominic Wenzell, Megan Ferguson, Greg Johnson, Christina Hansen, Kenley Michaud, Newell Walther, Jonathan Woller

**Absent:**

Members: Bradley Heaston, Jesse Hronkin

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to AMEND agenda to allow resuming earlier conversation on Myofunctional Therapy.

Motion moved by Newell Walther and motion seconded by Jonathan Woller. The motion passed unanimously.

VI Progress Report from Sub Committees (**resumed**)

A. Myofunctional Therapy

Dr. Woller gave a report on the sub committee tasked with researching Myofunctional Therapy and considering drafting regulation changes to clarify the education requirements, evaluation procedures, and degree of supervision required for dental hygienists to safely perform this service. Based on their research they recommended issuing an updated position statement from the Board as they didn't think a regulation change was necessary. Other Board members are tasked with doing independent research on the topic before the next Board meeting, at which time Dr. Woller will present a draft position statement for consideration. Due to time constraints, this topic was postponed to discuss after lunch.

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to TABLE Myofunctional Therapy discussion until next meeting to allow independent evaluation and for Dr. Woller to draft a position statement from the board,

Motion moved by Jonathan Woller and motion seconded by Kenley Michaud. The motion passed unanimously.

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to MODIFY agenda to move to the discussion related to sedation regulations.

Motion moved by Greg Johnson and motion seconded by Newell Walther. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Sedation Regulation Changes

Dr. Michaud gave a report on the sub committee tasked with reviewing proposed sedation regulation changes and creating a final draft. The sub committee reviewed the first draft presented by Glenn Saviers during the August 2023 meeting and made additional edits with the intention of creating a minimal sedation permit, a moderate sedation permit, and a deep sedation permit, along with cleaning up the language to make the regulations easier to interpret for staff, licensees, and the public. Dr. Michaud indicated that the draft does not yet include guidance for permit renewals. The final draft is expected to be presented during the next Board meeting to be considered for a regulations project.

X. Public Comment

Public comments were solicited.

Ms. Katrina Virgin, Co-Chair for the Legislative Seat at the Alaska Dental Hygienist Association, voiced her concern regarding comments overheard throughout the meeting regarding Dental HPSA's and that Advanced Practice permit holding Hygienists might be limited to who they can practice on based on the language in regulation. She also expressed concerns on language in the Department of Health regulations regarding a 'dental setting', but the Board did not feel prepared to speak on the topic at this time and Ms. Virgin said she will email Dr. Johnson her questions.

Dr. Dane Lenaker, an Orthodontist who frequently travels to rural areas to provide care, commented on the language in the statute that governs specialty licenses, and how **Sec 08.32.248 (c) The practice of a dentist who obtains a specialist license under (a) of this section is limited to the branch of dentistry in which the dentist holds a specialist license**, is written in a way that seems to prevent specialists from performing general dentistry. He expressed that these rural areas often do not have a full-time dentist or a dentist at all and questioned whether he can provide care to patients in emergent situations or situations where a patient may need an extraction for him to provide orthodontic services. The Board acknowledges the concern here and stated this is a known unintended consequence of the writing that has brought to their attention on more than one occasion and emphasized their desire to make a change to the language and assured Dr. Lenaker they will continue to discuss the issue and work to resolve it.

Ms. Royann Royer expressed comments like Ms. Virgin regarding concern that Advanced Practice Permit holding Dental Hygienists may be limited to practicing on only Medicaid patients or only certain population sizes. She emphasized her feelings that this would not be in the best interest of practitioners or patients, and that the low number of currently licensed Advanced Practice Permit holders poses little risk to their being an oversaturation.

Ms. Virgin and Ms. Royer's comments sparked a lively discussion amongst Board members and between public comment on the matter and the earlier discussion on Dental HPSA's the Board will be further discussing the topic and reviewing their options.

XI. Discuss pursuing statute change to obtain an Executive Administrator (EA) for the Dental Program (Presenters: Glenn Saviers)

Deputy Director Glenn Saviers gave a presentation to the Board expanding on a conversation from the August 2023 meeting regarding the possibility of pursuing statute change to obtain an Executive Administrator (EA) for the Dental Program. The Board voiced their concerns regarding costs associated with employing an EA, the deficit the Board would face if the EA position was vacant and, as it is a Governor appointed position, possibly having a change in leadership affect the position and who fills it.

The Board queried Mrs. Saviers regarding how seriously the Board needs an EA from a Division perspective as well as what the hiring process might look like. The Board was advised that if they are to pursue statute change to obtain an EA that it is best practice to keep qualifications out of the statute for the most part to prevent limiting their options. The Board will consider pursuing statute change and discuss further during the next meeting.

XII. Break

Board went off the record at 1:07 pm for a break, returning at 1:12 pm.

## Attendance

### Present:

Members: Dominic Wenzell, Megan Ferguson, Greg Johnson, Christina Hansen, Kenley Michaud, Newell Walther, Jonathan Woller, Jesse Hronkin

### Absent:

Members: Bradley Heaston

## XIII. Application Reviews

### A. E.O. Local Anesthetic Application

This application was tabled by Board Chair Dr. Johnson after staff notified him that the applicants Local Anesthetic course provider indicated on the course verification form that only two injections each of the anterior palatine, incisive palatine, anterior and middle superior alveolar, posterior superior alveolar, inferior alveolar, mental, long buccal and infiltration injections are administered, not the three required by 12 AAC 28.340(2). Full course description included in board packet.

The Board felt that based on the applicants 13+ years of experience and background in teaching nitrous oxide courses that it is not necessary to require her to complete an entirely new course for licensure.

 [DEN - E.O - 214364 - Local anesthetic - Board Packet REDACTED.pdf](#)

 [E.O. Letter for Board Consideration.pdf](#)

### Motion:

RESOLVED to APPROVE Local Anesthetic Application for Eileen O'Brien.

Motion moved by Kenley Michaud and motion seconded by Newell Walther. The motion passed unanimously via roll call.

### B. C.S. Hygienist by Exam II Application

This application was tabled by Board Chair Dr. Johnson after staff notified him that the applicants Dental Hygiene Program is only 80 weeks long, which does not meet Sec. 08.32.014. Qualifications for license (a)(1)(A) which states the program must be at least 2 years in length.

The Board felt that the course far exceeds the education requirements and that two academic years of training is sufficient as opposed to two calendar years.

 [Carrington College Mesa - Course information.pdf](#)

 [DEN - C.S - 215002 - Hygienist by Exam II - Board Packet REDACTED.pdf](#)

 [Carrington College Mesa - Course Length.pdf](#)

 [CC DH COURSE CIRRICULUM.pdf](#)



**Motion:**

RESOLVED to APPROVE Dental Hygiene Application for Courtney Shields.

Motion moved by Dominic Wenzell and motion seconded by Jonathan Woller. The motion passed unanimously via roll call.

C. T.T. Sedation Permit Application

This application was tabled by Dr. Wenzell as applicant is looking to meet the requirements for having five or more years elapse since completing training/education by demonstrating “current competency to the satisfaction of the board that the applicant has skill in moderate sedation to safely deliver moderate sedation services to the public” per 12 AAC 28.015(g)(5), rather than the standard in (g)(4).

The Board did speak to the applicant during the meeting and informed her that if she only intends to perform sedation with the South-Central Foundation (SCF) that she does not have to have a permit through the state, but she notified members that SCF is moving towards requiring a sedation permit through the state to do it with them.

The Board felt that the applicant demonstrates current competency and that she should not be barred from licensure since the State of Alaska does not currently have a minimal sedation permit to minimal sedation permit offering between other states.

 [T.T. - Checklist + App - Minimal Sedation Permit.pdf](#)

 [RE T.T. Sedation Permit Email explanation .pdf](#)

 [DEN - AK Moderate Sedation Permit vs UT Minimal Sedation Permit - 10.19.23.docx](#)

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to APPROVE Moderate Sedation Permit Application for Trisha Taylor

Motion moved by Kenley Michaud and motion seconded by Jonathan Woller. The motion passed unanimously via roll call.

XIV. Break

Board went off the record at 1:40 pm for a break, returning at 1:52 pm.

**Attendance**

**Present:**

Members: Dominic Wenzell, Megan Ferguson, Greg Johnson, Christina Hansen, Kenley Michaud, Newell Walther, Jonathan Woller, Jesse Hronkin

**Absent:**

Members: Bradley Heaston

XV. Correspondence

A. Dentists Performing Botox

The Board received correspondence asking if Dentists can perform Botox, whether they are limited to only practicing in a Dental facility, and what requirements a continuing education (CE) course needs to meet to adequately train Dentists to perform Botox. The Board decision is as follows:

Dentists can perform Botox if it's within the definition of Dentistry defined in statute Sec 08.36.360. As far as where Dentists can practice Botox the Board does not wish to regulate this and leaves it to the discretion of Dentists and what their malpractice insurance covers. Board members stated they are not prepared to specify what is required for CE as Dentists are required to ensure they are properly educated to provide Botox.

Dr. Wenzell is interested in what other state Boards are saying regarding Botox in Dentistry and will do independent research for the next Board meeting.

 [RE Dentist Performing Botox.pdf](#)

 [RE Dentists adminstering Botox.pdf](#)

 [RE Dentists and Botox, in and out of the office.pdf](#)

B. Dental Assisting Age Requirement

The Board received correspondence from Fairbanks North Star Bureau School District asking about whether minors can become Dental Assistants as they are trying to create a High School program that teaches students Dental Assisting and allows them to gain employment doing so at age 16 or 17.

The Board does not have authority over age requirements for Dental Assisting but referenced Department of Labor statue 8 AAC 05.115 which specifies the circumstances in which a minor could be a dental assistant and staff will respond to the School District and point them towards this statute for their guidance.

 [RE Dental Assisting age requirements.pdf](#)

XVI. Dental Compact Discussion

The Board reviewed all correspondence and information provided regarding multiple proposed Dental Compacts and do not currently feel like they have a need to weigh in on the topic. The board has concerns regarding compacts lowering the standard of licensure and Alaska feels that Alaska currently has plenty of easy licensing options and they do not wish to be an obstructionist to licensees unnecessarily by supporting a compact that is not needed.

A. Alternative Dental Compact

 [CDCA-WREB-CITA - Membership Letter.pdf](#)

 [Compacts Fact Sheet.pdf](#)

B. CRDTS Compact Information

 [FW CRDTS SPECIAL NEWS BULLETIN re Dental Compacts.pdf](#)

 [20231005 Compact News.pdf](#)

 [AADB Compact official draft Aug 31 final version - Clean.pdf](#)

 [Spr23\\_Dentist\\_Dental-Hygienist-Compact-Draft\\_Final.pdf](#)

C. AADB Compact Information

Provided by Matt Shafer following questions regarding the AADB Compact during the August 27 meeting.

 [AADB Compact Review Memo.pdf](#)

 [AADB Compact Comparison.pdf](#)

XVII. Final Draft Disciplinary Matrix

Dr. Wenzell presented the final version of the Disciplinary Matrix and covered the intention behind creating one. Although the Disciplinary Matrix covers a broad range of violations, the main concerns the Board is aiming to address are licensees that do not complete required continuing education (CE) hours and complaints regarding standard of care. The Disciplinary Matrix is not intended to be a regulation but a guideline for disciplinary actions based on how egregious a violation(s) was and the frequency of said violation(s).

Board members had questions surrounding the penalties suggested for CE violations and whether they were set in stone or could be edited. Some Board members suggested that it should be an option for licensees to complete an additional number of CE hours (number to be determined) on top of completing the hours that they are in a deficit rather than paying an imposed fee but stressed that paying a fee rather than doing additional CE would not be an option because the goal is to ensure licensees are doing their CE hours.

As the Disciplinary Matrix has not been formally adopted by the Board yet, Board members will further review the final draft independently and send their final edits to Dr. Wenzell for final presentation and likely adoption at the next Board meeting.

 [DRAFT DEN Board Disciplinary Matrix Proposal 2023 \(002\).docx](#)

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to AMEND agenda and have Reid Bowman present item 19 to the Board now.

**EDITORS NOTE: Due to earlier agenda changes, this item is now Item 20 Annual Report, which Mr. Bowman reported upon**

Motion moved by Kenley Michaud and motion seconded by Dominic Wenzell. The motion passed unanimously.

XVIII. Discussion on Radiological Equipment Certification move to the DOH (Guests: Sylvan Robb, Stefanie Davis)

Director Sylvan Robb was present to hear Board questions regarding the recent move of Radiological Equipment Certification to the Department of Health (DOH) following the passage of Senate Billet (SB) 173 in July. The Board is concerned about how inspections are being performed now, what fees are imposed for registration, how those fees were established, and if the DOH has authority to act upon a Dental License and whether the Dental Board will be involved at all. Since the statutory authority now lies with the DOH, Director Robb was unable

to answer these questions but did notify the Board that DOH currently has proposed regulation changes on Radiological Health Program Registration, Inspection, & Fee for Medical and Dental Devices out for public comment and instructed the Board on how to provide public comment. The Board was informed that questions regarding the proposed regulation changes must be submitted before November 6th and comments must be submitted by November 16th. Staff will send out an email to Board members reminding them to submit questions and comments to the Board Chair early next week to ensure these deadlines are met.

Director Robb and Regulations Specialist Stefanie Davis also brought to the Boards attention that since the statutory authority has moved to the DOH, Dental regulations 12 AAC 28.960 – 12 AAC 28.970 need to be repealed in their entirety as the Board no longer has the authority to regulate radiological equipment.

 [NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON RADIOLOGI...EVICES.pdf](#)

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to BEGIN a regulations project to repeal regulations 12 AAC 28.960 – 12 AAC 28.970 in their entirety, and approve it to go to public comment unless substantive changes are made by the regulations specialist or Department of Law.

Motion moved by Jonathan Woller and motion seconded by Dominic Wenzell. The motion passed unanimously via roll call.

XIX. Clarify FY 24 Board Travel Preferences

As far as how many meetings will take place either in person or via zoom in FY24, per **Sec. 08.36.040. Meetings. The board shall meet at the call of the president at least four times annually and at other times necessary to conduct its business**, so all members are aware of the minimum number of meetings required, and Dr. Johnson expressed the consensus of the Board is a desire to meet in person as much as possible. The Board agreed that the December 8 meeting can be amended to take place in Anchorage instead of Fairbanks and in January instead of December, and staff will send out a survey for Board members to vote on which Friday in January 2024 works best to establish a quorum. There weren't any conferences or other meetings that Board members expressed interest in attending.

XX. Annual Report

A. FY 23

Reid Bowman presented final sections of the Fiscal Year (FY) 23 Report that need to be completed. The Board needs to complete Goals and Objectives Part 1 which covers what goals were met and how in FY23 and Part 2 which covers what the new goals and objectives are for FY24. The Board opted to complete Part 2 actively during the meeting, and Dr. Johnson will work with Reid to complete Part 1.

 [DEN AnnualReport 2022.pdf](#)

 [AnnualReport Template 2023.pdf](#)

During the FY23 presentation and discussion Dr. Wenzell brought up the possibility of starting a regulations project for Dental Implants. Some Board members expressed concern about getting into a spot where they regulate one specialty practice and then begin regulating every specialty practice i.e. Orthodontics, Pediatrics etc., but it was also brought up by Board members that it is better to make changes proactively before something were to become a problem than reactively once something *is* a problem. Dr. Wenzell will explore a couple states that do regulate Dental Implants already and see what those regulations look like and present them at the next board meeting for review and discussion

B. FY 24

Reid Bowman presented the new Annual Report template for FY24 which reduces the template from 38 pages to 6 pages, broken into three main sections; Accomplishments, Activities, and Needs. At the Board Chair's request Board members provided accomplishments for the FY24 report that have occurred between the start of the fiscal year on July 1st and today during the meeting.

During the FY24 Annual Report presentation and discussion, a conversation was sparked by Dr. Wenzell regarding the Investigations process, the involvement of the reviewing board member (RBM), and also the process of the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH). Ultimately the Board would like there to be more communication between Investigations and the reviewing Board member (RBM) on the status of ongoing cases, and feel they need further explanation as to the legalities of a RBM not being able to speak on the case during the board meeting itself. Since the RBM often is provided with additional information during the initial determination of whether a violation took place, recusing themselves when the case is discussed during a meeting poses the question of why providing less information to the entire Board would help the board make an informed decision. Dr. Johnson asked the a NEED be added to the FY24 report that reads "Additional training on reviewing cases, investigative processes, and administrative hearings."

XXI. Tasks

Board members are tasked with reviewing the Disciplinary Matrix and providing their final thoughts to Dr. Wenzell before the next Board meeting, as well as reviewing the DOH proposed regulation changes and providing their questions and comments to Dr. Johnson by the middle of next week.

Dr. Wenzell is tasked with researching how other states are regulating Dental Implants for discussion during the next Board meeting.

Dr. Michaud is tasked with adding language regarding renewals to the draft regulation changes for Sedation Permits and discuss the draft with Glenn Saviers to prepare for another presentation to Board members during the next Board meeting.

Dr. Woller is tasked with bringing a draft position statement on Myofunctional Therapy to the next Board meeting for group discussion.

Staff is tasked with sending out an email to Board members reminding them to send questions and comments on the DOH proposed regulation changes to Dr. Johnson by the middle of next week and send out a poll to vote on a January 2024 meeting date.

A. Adjourn

**Motion:**

RESOLVED to ADJOURN October 27th, 2023 Dental Board Meeting.

Motion moved by Megan Ferguson and motion seconded by Dominic Wenzell. The motion passed unanimously. The Board went off the record at 3:57 pm.

Date Final Minutes Approved by the Board: <input type="checkbox"/> Meeting <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OnBoard	Board Ballot PASS 1/12/2024.
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