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ANESTHESIA CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

March 5, 2020

Conference Room
400 S.W. 8th St., Suite D
Des Moines, Iowa

Committee Members

March 5, 2020

Gregory Ceraso, D.D.S., Chairperson	Present
Steven Clark, D.D.S.	Absent
Jonathan DeJong, D.D.S.	Present
John Frank, D.D.S.	Present
Karen Potaczek, D.D.S.	Present
Gary Roth, D.D.S.	Absent
Kurt Westlund, D.D.S.	Present

Staff Members

Christel Braness, David Schultz

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER – MARCH 5, 2020

Ms. Braness called the meeting of the Anesthesia Credentials Committee to order at 12:03 p.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2020. The meeting was held by electronic means in compliance with Iowa Code section 21.8. The purpose of the meeting was to review meeting minutes, applications for sedation permits, and other committee-related business. It was impractical to meet in person with such a short agenda.

Roll Call:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Ceraso</u>	<u>Clark</u>	<u>DeJong</u>	<u>Frank</u>	<u>Potaczek</u>	<u>Roth</u>	<u>Westlund</u>
Present	x		x	x			x
Absent		x			x	x	

A quorum was established with four (4) members present.

II. COMMITTEE MINUTES

- *October 24, 2019 – Teleconference*
- *December 11, 2019 – Teleconference*

- ❖ MOVED by WESTLUND, SECONDED by FRANK, to APPROVE the minutes from the October 24, 2019 and December 11, 2019 meetings as submitted. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

III. APPLICATIONS FOR GENERAL ANESTHESIA PERMIT

Ms. Braness reported that the Board had not received any new applications for general anesthesia permit to date.

IV. APPLICATIONS FOR MODERATE SEDATION PERMIT

- *Sandra Fox, D.D.S.*

Ms. Braness provided an overview of the application. Dr. Fox completed a pediatric residency at the University of Iowa College of Dentistry. Prior to returning to Iowa, Dr. Fox practiced in Texas. Dr. Fox has requested approval to sedate pediatric and medically-compromised patients. A facility inspection will be required prior to issuance of the permit

- ❖ MOVED by FRANK, SECONDED by WESTLUND, to APPROVE the application pending completion of the facility inspection. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

- *Gregory Ceraso, D.D.S.*

Ms. Braness provided an overview of Dr. Ceraso's application. Dr. Ceraso has used the assistance of an anesthesiologist and nurse anesthetist to provide sedation following the approval of a rule waiver. Due to the recent rule changes, Dr. Ceraso applied for a moderate sedation permit in order to continue using another sedation provider in his practice. Dr. Ceraso completed his training at the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine in 1977. The facility inspection has been completed.

Dr. Ceraso noted that although he completed moderate sedation training, his preference was to use the services of a separate anesthesia provider.

Dr. Frank asked for clarification about the sedation training Dr. Ceraso completed. Dr. Ceraso completed his training in sedation during dental school. The training was approximately one year in length. Dr. Ceraso has not administered himself for many years since he uses a separate anesthesia provider.

Dr. Frank asked for confirmation that the Board received documentation of Dr. Ceraso's sedation training. Ms. Braness confirmed that the documentation had been received from the dental school.

- ❖ MOVED by FRANK, SECONDED by WESTLUND, to APPROVE the application pending the receipt of any outstanding documentation.

Dr. DeJong asked about the ACLS certification that Dr. Ceraso completed. Dr. Ceraso reported that the bulk of the training was done online; however, he completed a post-course checklist that included a hands-on portion with Dr. Nichols, the anesthesiologist whose services Dr. Ceraso uses in his dental practice. Dr. Ceraso did this so as to expedite the ACLS certification.

❖ Vote taken. Motion APPROVED unanimously. Dr. Ceraso abstained.

- *Zach Dannenbring, D.D.S.*

Ms. Braness provided an overview of Dr. Dannenbring's application. This was a reinstatement of Dr. Dannenbring's sedation permit, which lapsed in 2018. Dr. Dannenbring has decided to resume the administration of moderate sedation in his practice.

The committee asked for historical treatment of similar applications. Ms. Braness reported that she has typically forwarded reinstatement applications to the committee for review.

The committee asked about the last date of inspection for Dr. Dannenbring's facility. Mr. Schultz reported that the last inspection at that facility was approximately five years ago.

❖ MOVED by WESTLUND, SECONDED by FRANK, to APPROVE the application pending successful completion of the facility inspection. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

- *For Discussion: Requirements for Postoperative Aftercare, Iowa Administrative Code 650—29.5(7)*

Mr. Schultz reported that, increasingly, he has received questions about the postoperative aftercare requirement. Mr. Schultz stated the increased use of sedation providers or permit holders who travel to multiple locations has prompted these questions. Mr. Schultz requested direction about what would be considered appropriate for the provision of aftercare.

- Dr. Potaczek joined the meeting at 12:17 p.m.

Dr. Westlund recommended availability by phone, at a minimum, and referral to an emergency room if needed. Additionally, prescriptions can be issued electronically when appropriate.

Dr. Frank wondered whether the Board received a formal complaint. Dr. Frank agreed with Dr. Westlund's comments. Dr. Frank reported that he was also aware of a general dentist in the Des Moines area who was advertising mobile dentistry using the sedation services of a nurse anesthetist. The committee may need to discuss this issue further. Dr. Frank asked about traveling sedation providers and what would happen when they are not available and have not coordinated aftercare.

Dr. Ceraso stated that, speaking as a general practitioner, one of the reasons that this may be occurring more frequently would be to provide greater access to dental care in rural areas. Licensees, who provide these services would need to balance the access to services while ensuring compliance with the minimum standard of care, including postoperative aftercare. The committee members further discussed these issues.

Dr. Frank asked about the recent cases and whether the facility inspections had been completed. Mr. Schultz reported that these questions arose as a result of the facility inspections. In many instances, the permit holders requested clarification of the aftercare requirement during the inspection.

Dr. Westlund stated that, in the interim, a permit holder or licensed sedation provider must be available by telephone, at a minimum, to address any postoperative complications that may arise. The committee may need to discuss this issue further if this should be deemed by the Board to be insufficient.

The committee members also briefly discussed and reviewed the requirements for patient monitors, who assist during the administration of moderate sedation, deep sedation or general anesthesia.

VI. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Braness allowed the opportunity for public comment.

There were not any comments received.

VII. ADJOURN

❖ MOVED by CERASO, SECONDED by POTACZEK, to ADJOURN. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

The Anesthesia Credentials Committee adjourned its meeting at 12:36 p.m.

NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Anesthesia Credentials Committee is scheduled for May 14, 2020. The meeting will be held at the Board office and by teleconference.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Christel Braness, Program Planner 2, Iowa Dental Board.