



STATE OF IOWA IOWA DENTAL BOARD

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DENTAL HYGIENE COMMITTEE
400 SW 8th St. Suite D
Des Moines, Iowa

MINUTES
April 3, 2020

Committee Members **April 3, 2020**

Mary C. Kelly, R.D.H. Present
Nancy A. Slach, R.D.H. Present
Michael Davidson, D.D.S. Present

Staff Members

Jill Stuecker, Christel Braness, David Schultz, Dee Ann Argo

Attorney General's Office

Laura Steffensmeier, Assistant Attorney General

I. CALL TO ORDER FOR APRIL 3, 2020

Ms. Kelly called the meeting of the Dental Hygiene Committee to order at 8:01 a.m., Friday, April 3, 2020. The meeting was held by electronic means in compliance with Iowa Code Section 21.8 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Roll Call:

<u>Member:</u>	<u>Kelly</u>	<u>Slach</u>	<u>Davidson</u>
Present	x	x	x
Absent			

A quorum was established with all members present.

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Kelly asked everyone to introduce themselves and allowed the opportunity for public comment.

Mr. Tom Cope, Iowa Dental Hygienists' Association, thanked the Board and the Iowa Dental Association (IDA) for coordinating with the Governor's Office to assist with the order that was issued last week regarding elective procedures. Mr. Cope also thanked Ms. Kelly and Dr. Davidson for their service to the Board.

Dr. Ryan Stuntz, IDA, thanked everyone for the work on the mandate. Dr. Stuntz also thanked Ms. Kelly and Dr. Davidson for their service.

III. APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION MINUTES

- *January 24, 2020 – Quarterly Meeting*
- ❖ MOVED by SLACH, SECONDED by DAVIDSON, to APPROVE the open session minutes as drafted. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Ms. Stuecker thanked Ms. Kelly and Dr. Davidson for their service to the Board.

Ms. Stuecker reported that the agendas for today’s meetings have been streamlined due to the need to maintain social distancing. Ms. Stuecker also noted all rulemaking was to be tabled unless it is an emergency.

Ms. Stuecker reported that the Board’s legislation was signed into law before the session was suspended earlier this year. Ms. Stuecker thanked the IDA and IDHA for their assistance. Ms. Stuecker shared a comment that was made at a subcommittee meeting earlier in the session wherein the Board and the associations were commended for their collaboration.

Ms. Stuecker reported that the statutory changes will be effective July 1, 2020. The committee will discuss this at the June 2020 meeting to begin the rulemaking, which would implement the changes. Ms. Kelly asked what would happen if the rules were not in place before July 1. Ms. Steffensmeier stated that rules would remain in effect until updated. Ms. Kelly asked whether the statute would supersede rules. Ms. Steffensmeier stated that rules don’t appear to be in conflict currently; therefore, the rules would remain effective. Ms. Steffensmeier will continue to review this.

V. OTHER

- *Update on Dental Hygiene Programs*

Ms. Kelly reported that she has been in contact with the Iowa dental hygiene programs regarding the upcoming exams. Everyone agreed that examinations would need to be completed; however, all testing has been delayed. All but one program is on the same testing schedule.

Ms. Stuecker thanked Ms. Kelly for taking the lead on this.

- *Other COVID-19 Updates*

Ms. Stuecker reported on the proclamation issued by Governor Reynolds on March 26, 2020 which offers regulatory relief from renewal requirements. The regulatory relief will apply to the 2020 and 2021 renewal periods.

Ms. Stuecker reported that Governor Reynolds also extended the Proclamation of Disaster Emergency through April 30, 2020. Ms. Stuecker noted that Board staff were receiving a high volume of phone calls and emails as a result. Ms. Stuecker asked for patience during this period. Ms. Stuecker asked those in attendance to let staff know if there were things that need to be addressed. Ms. Stuecker thanked Ms. Braness for her assistance during this time.

Ms. Slach stated that it may take some time for dental practice to return to normal once the mandate is lifted.

VII. CLOSED SESSION

- ❖ MOVED by KELLY, SECONDED by SLACH, to go into closed session pursuant Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(a), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential; pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(d) to discuss whether or initiate licensee disciplinary investigations or proceedings; and pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(f) to discuss the decision to be rendered in a contested case conducted according to the provisions of chapter 17A.

Roll Call:

Member:	Kelly	Slach	Davidson
Yes	x	x	x
No			

Motion APPROVED by roll call.

- The Dental Hygiene Committee convened in closed session at 8:16 a.m.
- ❖ MOVED by KELLY, SECONDED by SLACH, to RETURN to OPEN SESSION. Motion APPROVED unanimously.
- The Dental Hygiene Committee reconvened in open session at 8:28 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

VIII. ACTION, IF ANY, ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

a. Closed Session Minutes

- ❖ MOVED by KELLY, SECONDED by DAVIDSON, to APPROVE the closed session minutes of the January 24, 2020 meeting as drafted. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

b. Other Closed Session Matters

- ❖ MOVED by KELLY, SECONDED by SLACH, to APPROVE the order in response to file #20-0003. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

- ❖ MOVED by KELLY, SECONDED by SLACH, to CLOSE file #20-0004. Motion APPROVED unanimously.
- ❖ MOVED by KELLY, SECONDED by SLACH, to CLOSE file #20-0005. Motion APPROVED unanimously.
- ❖ MOVED by KELLY, SECONDED by SLACH, to CLOSE file #19-005. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

IX. ADJOURN

- ❖ MOVED by KELLY, SECONDED by SLACH, to ADJOURN. Motion APPROVED unanimously.

The meeting of the Dental Hygiene Committee adjourned at 8:30 a.m. on April 3, 2020.

NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Dental Hygiene Committee is scheduled for June 5, 2020, in Des Moines, Iowa.

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