

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

MINUTES



Date/Time:
November 18, 2022 | 10 am

Meeting Called to Order by:
Dr. C. Garrett Taylor, President

Board Members in Attendance:

Robert Carlisle, DDS (Secretary/Treasurer)
Dwight Duckworth, DDS (Vice-President)
Cara Jones, DDS
Matthew McDonough, DDS

C. Garrett Taylor, DDS (President)
Erika Thomas, RDH
Jeffrey Wisener, DDS

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the September 16, 2022 and October 4, 2022 meetings were reviewed and approved.

Presentation – Promethean Dental Systems (PDS)

Rick Callan and Jerry Cooper of Promethean Dental Systems appeared before the Board to briefly discuss their virtual haptic technology that is used to assess the clinical skills of dental professionals. They set up a hands-on demonstration in the Board office prior to the meeting.

Consent Order – Dr. Keith Smith

Dr. Smith’s consent order was reviewed and discussed by the Board. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the order.

Fictitious Name Requests

The following names were reviewed and approved by the Board:

REQUESTED FICTITIOUS NAME	DENTIST
<i>Northwest Arkansas Pediatric Dentistry</i>	Dr. Jeffrey Ward
<i>Sherwood Smile</i>	Dr. Jeff A. Powell
<i>Dental Specialty Group of Little Rock</i> <i>Southwest Family Dental Care</i> <i>Midtown Family Dental Care</i>	Dr. Billy R. Machen



Dr. Machen appeared before the Board with his attorney, Kevin O’Dwyer, and Dr. Jon Jones to discuss his requested fictitious names. He also inquired about using a fictitious name with “sleep” in it and was strongly advised to steer clear of any fictitious names pertaining to “sleep” or “sleep dentistry” because it implies a specialty in that area.

Committee Reports

- **Rules and Regulations Committee (Erika Thomas, RDH)**

The Committee met on November 16, 2022 at 6 pm via Zoom, and discussed drafts of Article XVII (Dental Assistant Functions) and Article IX (Reciprocity). Changes are still being made to both articles, and they will be presented to the Board soon. The following articles were reviewed and approved by the Administrative Rules Committee of the Arkansas Legislative Council:

- Article IX: “Military licensure”
- Article XXIII: “Background checks”
- Article XXIV: “Adverse Events Reporting”
- Article XXV: “Fees”

The next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2023 at 6 pm.

- **Complaint Committee (Robert Carlisle, DDS)**

The Committee met on November 17, 2022 at 6 pm in the Board office and reviewed seven complaints – four were found to have no apparent violation, one was found to be in violation, and two were tabled for further investigation. The next meeting is scheduled for January 19, 2023 at 6 pm.

- **Report on Clinical Examinations (Dwight Duckworth, DDS)**

Dr. Duckworth reported that the examination fee for SRTA (State Resources for Testing and Assessments) will increase to \$2700.

Next Meeting

January 20, 2023 – 9 am | Cox Conference Room (Main Street Mall – 101 E. Capitol Ave., Little Rock AR 72201)

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Meredith Rogers'.

Meredith Rogers, Executive Director