



Dental Board of California
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 4, 2013

Department of Consumer Affairs
1747 North Market Blvd., Hearing Room, Sacramento, CA 95834

Members Present:

Huong Le, DDS, President
Fran Burton, Secretary
Steven Afriat, Public Member
Stephen Casagrande, DDS
Judith Forsythe, RDA
Kathleen King, Public Member
Ross Lai, DDS
Suzanne McCormick, DDS
Steven Morrow, DDS
Thomas Stewart, DDS
Bruce Whitcher, DDS

Members Absent:

Luis Dominicus, DDS

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Dr. Huong Le, President, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Fran Burton, Secretary called the roll and a quorum was established.

AGENDA ITEM 1: Election of Dental Board Officer – Secretary

M/S/C (Whitcher/ McCormick) to nominate Dr. Steven Morrow for the office of Secretary of the Dental Board. The motion was approved and the vote was unanimous to appoint Dr. Morrow Secretary of the Dental Board. Dr. Morrow abstained from the voting.

AGENDA ITEM 2: Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Subcommittee's Recommendation to Appoint a Member to the Dental Assisting Council

Judy Forsythe, Chair of the Dental Assisting Council reported that four applications were received for the vacant position on the Dental Assisting Council. One applicant did not qualify as they were not a licensed RDA and another applicant was not a faculty member of an approved RDA program. Ms. Forsythe reported that the subcommittee reviewed the two remaining applications and recommended Michele Jawad to fill the vacancy. M/S/C (Forsythe/Afriat) to accept the subcommittee's recommendation and approve Michele Jawad as the new Dental Assisting Council member. Her term will be four (4) years.

Kathleen King, Public member asked why there were so few candidates. Ms. Forsythe explained that it is hard for most RDA's to make the time commitment necessary to serve on the Council. LaDonna Drury-Klein representing CADAT concurred adding that RDA educators are extremely busy at this time of year preparing their students for examinations.

There was discussion as to how the Board could attract more applicants in the future.

The motion passed unanimously.

The Board went into Closed Session to Deliberate and Take Action on Personnel Matters:

- a) Interview Candidates for Executive Officer Position**
- b) Select and Appoint an Executive Officer**

The Board returned to open session at 1:30 p.m.

Announcement Regarding Closed Session

The Board announced that it had unanimously chosen Karen M. Fischer as the Board's new Executive Officer pending approval from the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There was no public comment.

The Board adjourned at 2:00 p.m.