



## **DENTAL ASSISTING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, February 27, 2014**

Wyndham Bayside San Diego

1355 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA, 92101

### **Members Present**

Chair - Teresa Lua, RDAEF,  
Vice Chair - Anne Contreras, RDA,  
Pamela Davis-Washington, RDA  
Judith Forsythe, RDA  
Emma Ramos, RDA  
Bruce Whitcher, DDS

### **Members Absent**

Michele Jawad, RDA

### **Staff Present**

Karen Fischer, Executive Officer  
Kim Trefry, Enforcement Chief  
Dawn Dill, Licensing Manager  
Sarah Wallace, Legislative and Regulatory Analyst  
Linda Byers, Executive Assistant  
Spencer Walker, DCA Senior Staff Counsel

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call/Establishment of Quorum**  
Chair Teresa Lua called the meeting to order at 1:50 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum was established.
2. **Approval of the August 26 and November 21, 2013 Dental Assisting Council Meeting Minutes**  
Dr. Lori Gagliardi, California Association of Dental Assisting Teachers (CADAT), commented that she would like to see an amendment to the August 26, 2013 Dental Assisting Council minutes on page three, number 9, change the word "examinations" to "course". M/S/C (Forsythe/Lua) to approve the August 26, 2013 Dental Assisting Council Meeting minutes as amended. The motion passed with one abstention.  
  
M/S/C (Whitcher/Contreras) to approve the November 21, 2013 Dental Assisting Council Meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Status of Dental Assisting Program and Course Applications**  
Teresa Lua, Dental Assisting Council Chair, gave an overview of the statistics provided. Ms. Forsythe thanked staff for providing the list of schools.
4. **Dental Assisting Program Licensure and Permit Statistics**

Ms. Lua thanked staff for the new statistical graphs. She gave an overview of the statistics provided.

5. **Dental Assisting Program Examination Statistics**

Ms. Forsythe commented on the statistics from the February RDA practical exam saying that the pass rate was very good.

6. **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Appointing a Subcommittee to Work with Staff to Review the Registered Dental Assistant (RDA) and Registered Dental Assistant in Extended Functions (RDAEF) Examination Process in Order to Identify Improvements**

Ms. Lua appointed a subcommittee consisting of Ms. Forsythe and Ms. Contreras to work on the RDA examination and Ms. Ramos and herself to work on the RDAEF exam.

7. **Update Regarding Dental Assisting Educational Program and Course Requirements Regulatory Proposal**

Sarah Wallace, Legislative and Regulatory Analyst, gave an overview of the Council's work up to this point and commented that the originally scheduled workshop has been postponed due to the impact Assembly Bill 1174 (Bocanegra) may have on the requirements relating to dental assisting programs.

8. **Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda**

There were no further comments.

9. **Future Agenda Items**

There were no requests for future agenda items.

10. **Council Member Comments for Items Not on the Agenda**

There were no Council member comments.

11. **Adjournment**

The Council meeting adjourned at 2:09 p.m.