



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.