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Board Meeting Minutes of 07/25/2025

Board Members Present: N. Tyler Elison, DDS, Chair
Jason King, DDS
Erin Leavitt, DDS
Eric Nelson, DDS, MD
Kyle Christensen, DDS
Meg Long, RDH
Jennifer Andrews-Kelley, RDH
Dan Kener, Public Member

Division Staff: Orin Duffin, Executive Officer
Greg Loos, General Counsel
Skip Liddle, Investigations Program Manager
Mike Celeste, Investigations Supervisor
Katie Stuart, Administration Bureau Chief
Wendy Muir, Program Information Coordinator
Pam Rebolo, Board Support Supervisor

Others Present: Joan Callahan, Board Prosecutor

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM by Tyler Elison, DDS.

Introductions: Dr. Kyle Christensen, newly appointed Board member, provided a brief introduction.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the April 11, 2025, minutes. The motion carried.

DIVISION BUSINESS

Financial Update: Mr. Duffin presented the year-end financials to the Board, which continues to operate fiscally responsibly. As of the close of the fiscal year on June 30, 2025, the Board of Dentistry had a cash reserve of \$1,766,723.50.

HPRP Update: Ms. Stuart provided a brief overview of the Health Professionals Recovery Program (HPRP) and updated the board on number of Dentistry Licensee participants and enrollment trends.

PDMP Presentation: The Board received education from Ms. Muir on Idaho's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program. Education is being provided to help dentists and other prescribers comply with Idaho's mandatory checking requirements when prescribing an opiate or benzodiazepine.

Executive Agency Legislative Proposal: Mr. Duffin presented the agency proposed legislation to the Board. Updates will be provided to the Board at future meetings.

Board Business

Idaho Code Clean Up Proposal (HB14): Mr. Loos explained the purpose of the Idaho Code Clean Up Act, enacted this year as House Bill 14. It is a targeted clean-up of obsolete, outdated, and unnecessary language that has accumulated in statute. The purpose is not to reexamine legislative intent, make major policy changes, or overhaul the statutes. The Division is responsible to make a review of all code sections relevant to the Boards, identify sections that have become obsolete, outdated, or unnecessary and so could be repealed or modified, and

provide a report by September 1, 2025, to the Legislature. Mr. Loos stated that the legal team had completed its initial review of the Board's practice act and presented the Board with a draft of proposed changes. These changes will not be presented as Executive Agency Legislation (EAL) for the upcoming legislative session but will be incorporated into the report.

Conference Updates and Attendance: A motion was made and seconded to approve the conference attendance as presented. The motion carried.

Amended Agenda: A motion was made and seconded to amend the agenda to make the Request for Rule Waiver an action item under Idaho Code 74-206(4)(c), as failing to list it as an action item was a good faith error, and the emergency of the timeframe set forth in Idaho Code 67-5230(4) requires the Board to dispose of the underlying waiver request no later than at this meeting.

Request for Rule Waiver – Air Polishing: A motion was made and seconded to deny the Rule Waiver Request for air polishing by dental assistants. The motion carried.

Dental Sedation Discussion: Mr. Duffin presented a comparison of neighboring states' regulations of moderate and deep sedation in dental offices along with House Bill 107 and the impact it has on state regulation. The Board expressed their desire for additional oversight of those with a sedation permit. Additional information and potential pathways forward will be discussed at future meetings.

Association Reports: Association reports were presented to the Board and La Dawn Ames introduced herself as the new Executive Director of the Idaho State Dental Association.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made and seconded to enter Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider investigative and disciplinary records related to a licensee's ability to retain a license, which is exempt from public disclosure. The vote was Ms. Long, aye; Mr. Kener, aye; Dr. Leavitt, aye; Ms. Andrews-Kelley, aye; Dr. King, aye; Dr. Nelson, aye and Dr. Elison, aye. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to exit executive session. The motion carried unanimously.

Discipline

A motion was made and seconded to send a letter of concern in case numbers 1604437; 1614130; 1683087; 1694910 and 1701713. The motion carried.

The Board authorized the Board's prosecutor to file an administrative complaint should any of the negotiations expire or be rejected.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:13 PM.

The next meeting is on 10/10/2025.