

MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS
Benjamin Rush Building ♦ Spring Grove Hospital Center
55 Wade Avenue ♦ Catonsville, Maryland 21228

OPEN SESSION MINUTES
Wednesday, July 10, 2024

Board Members Present	
Chiyo Alie, DDS, President	Shari Kohn, DDS
Joy Void-Holmes, RDH, BSDH, DHSC, Vice President	Leslie E. Grant, DDS
Aslim Abdullah, DDS, Secretary-Treasurer	Tamara Miles-Dulan, DDS
Adam Eisner, DDS, Parliamentarian	Sherri McGee, DDS
Deborah Cartee, RDH, MS	Oluwatoyin M. Fatogun, DDS
Jennifer Gaglione, RDH	Hari K. Razdan
Cynthia Zeder, RDH	Allan J. Kroopnick, PhD
Harry Benavent, DDS	
Board Members Absent	
Nagarajan Pattabiraman	
Guests Present	
Zakiyyah Holmes, Board and Commission Administrator	Greg Buckler, MSDA Executive Director
Charles Doring, General Dentist	Beth Levine, MSDA
Kimberly Link, MDH	Thomas A'Becket, MSDA
Staff Present	
Stacey Scriven, Executive Director	Tony DeFranco, AAG
Jameelah Richardson-Abakah, Executive Assistant	Tiffani Shannon, AAG
Shiela West, Investigator Supervisor	Murray Sherman, Board Legal Assistant
Sandra Sage, Computer Specialist	Debbie Welch, Licensing Unit Supervisor
Dr. Helen Lee-Virgil, Chief Dental Officer	Paula Boxley, Investigator
Jesse Wilson, Compliance and Record Manager	Leslie Thompson, Fiscal Administrator

Dr. Chiyo Alie, President of the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners (the “Board”), called the virtual Open Session Meeting to Order at 11:07am. Dr Chiyo Alie requested a roll call of Board Members and Board Staff for the record. Dr. Chiyo Alie Confirmed that there was a quorum of the Board.

I. APPROVAL AND REVIEW OF BOARD AGENDA AND MINUTES

The Board voted to approve the amended Open Board Meeting Agenda for July 10, 2024:

Motion to Approve: Dr. Leslie Grant Second: Mr. Hari Razdan
Responsible Party: Dr. Chiyo Alie 15-0-0

The Board voted to approve the Open Board Meeting Minutes for June 5, 2024:

Motion to Approve: Dr. Allan Kroopnick Second: Mrs. Jennifer Gaglione
Responsible Party: Dr. Chiyo Alie 14-0-1

II. SECRETARY’S REPORT: Aslim Abdullah, DDS, Board Secretary/Treasurer: no report

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTING:

- a. Stacey Scriven, Executive Director- Mrs. Scriven reported on the following: The Board's new Fiscal Administrator, Leslie Thompson, started today, July 10, 2024. There are currently 75 Dentist and Dental Hygienist renewal licenses on hold due to incomplete applications; emails will be sent out to those individuals.
- b. Helen Lee-Virgil, D.D.S., Chief Dental Officer- Dr. Lee-Virgil reported on the following: The Board held its second out of three graduate workshops on June 26, 2024. There were 34 participants; 17 dentists and 17 dental hygienists. The next graduate workshop will be held Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 10:00am-12:00pm. All applicants are asked to pre-register using the link on The Board website, have proper papers notarized, have a sufficient number of checks, and have board scores printed before arrival.

IV. LEGAL REPORTS:

- a. Murray Sherman, Esq., Board Legal Assistant: no report
- b. Tony DeFranco, Esq., Board Counsel: no report

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. Anesthesia: no report
- b. Applications: no report
- c. Infection Control/Biosafety: Dr. Leslie Grant reported on the following: New covid variant KP.2, KP.3, LB.1. Covid cases are on the rise in 30 states. No longer receiving data from the CDC. On June 26-27, 2024, CDC provided updated recommendations for respiratory viruses, COVID, flu, and RSV. For COVID and flu, individuals 6 months and older should receive 2024-2025 vaccine once it becomes available. For RSV, individuals 60-74 years of age, with increased risk single dose of RSV vaccine. For individuals 75 and older the CDC is recommending a single dose as well. Bird flu, H5N1 has spread to dairy cows, overall risk is low. There has been an increase in Dengue virus globally, 745 cases from the US between January 1, 2024, through June 24, 2024. Dr. Grant participated in the CDC Mpox training on June 27, 2024 and reported that transmission in the US is low; however, it is still passed in high-risk populations. High-risk populations are encouraged to get vaccinated.
- d. Continuing Education: Ms. Cynthia Zeder requested approval for the following CEU credits.

Course Name: Updates on Medication-Related Osteonecrosis of Jaw (MRONJ) Course Instructors: Scott S. Kim, DMD MSDE CE Course Number: 2024-0058 Course Method: Lecture Course Provider: Maryland Korean Dental Association (MKDA) Total CEU Requested: 2 CEU's Classification Code: 310	Course Name: Interceptive Orthodontics: Reducing Risks and Treatment Time Course Instructors: Stuart A. Sheer, DDS MSDE CE Course Number: 2024-0059 Course Method: Lecture Course Provider: American Board of Orthodontics Total CEU Requested: 3 CEU's Classification Code: 370
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Motion to Approve: Committee
Responsible Party: Ms. Cynthia Zeder

Second: Committee
Vote: 15-0-0

- e. Dental Hygiene: no report
- f. Legislative Action: no report

VI. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

- a. Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)- Dr. Grant reported on the following. The PDMP Advisory Committee met on June 13, 2024. The next meeting will be August 6, 2024 from 4-5:30pm. May 24, 2024 the DEA posted notices to change Marijuana from schedule I to schedule III under the Controlled Substance Act (CSA). In March 2024, MEDCHI began offering a CE course that offers the PDMP updates. Link to the webinar can be found on the PDMP website. PDMP website: <https://health.maryland.gov/PDMP/Pages/Home.aspx>

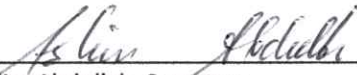
VII. UPCOMING REMINDERS: Next Virtual Open Session Meeting – August 7, 2024, 11:00am.

VIII. CLOSING STATEMENT: Dr. Chiyo Alie stated that the Board, the Board Counsel, and investigators will move to the Board’s administrative, quasi-judicial session. In particular, the Board will discuss administrative office matters, complaints, inspections, and investigations.

A motion for adjournment was made by Dr. Aslim Abdullah seconded by Dr. Adam Eisner. There was no opposition or abstentions for adjournment. The open session adjourned at 11:28 am

Minutes prepared by Jameelah Richardson-Abakah, Executive Assistant

Minutes Adopted: 9/18/24



Aslim Abdullah, Secretary