

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

OPEN SESSION MINUTES
Wednesday, March 05, 2025

Board Members Present	
Chiyo Alie, DDS, President	Allan J. Kroopnick, PhD
Aslim Abdullah, DDS, Vice President	Shari Kohn, DDS
Joy Void-Holmes, RDH, BSDH, DHSC, Secretary-Treasurer	Leslie E. Grant, DDS
Deborah Cartee, RDH, MS	Cynthia Zeder, RDH
Jennifer Gaglione, RDH	Oluwatoyin M. Fatogun, DDS
Tamara Miles-Dulan, DDS	Hari K. Razdan
Nagarajan Pattabiraman	
Board Members Absent	
Adam Eisner, DDS, Parliamentarian	
Guests Present	
Zakiyyah Holmes, Boards and Commissions Administrator	Dorian Birkholz, MSDA
Staff Present	
Stacey Scriven, Executive Director	Tony DeFranco, AAG
Jameelah Richardson-Abakah, Executive Assistant	Murray Sherman, Board Legal Assistant
Shiela West, Investigator Supervisor	Derrick Beasley, Investigator
Sandra Sage, Computer Specialist	Paula Boxley, Investigator
Dr. Helen Lee-Virgil, Chief Dental Officer	Debbie Wurster, Licensing Coordinator
Jesse Wilson, Compliance and Record Manager	Harini Jaddu, Business Analyst Intern
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 11:02am. 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 March 5, 2025:

Motion to Approve: Ms. Deborah Cartee Second: Dr. Aslim Abdullah
Responsible Party: Dr. Chiyo Alie 12-0-0

The Board voted to approve the Open Board Meeting Minutes for February 19, 2025:

Motion to Approve: Dr. Aslim Abdullah Second: Dr. Joy Void-Holmes
Responsible Party: Dr. Chiyo Alie 12-0-0

- II. SECRETARY’S REPORT:** Joy Void-Holmes, RDH, BSDH, DHSC, Secretary-Treasurer: Dr. Void-Holmes reported on the following: Fiscal Year 25 Cash Revenue \$552,629.00; Fiscal Year 25 Cash Expenditures **\$-1,455,626.94**; Accrued Expenses 58,648.26; Encumbrance 0.00; Fiscal Year 24 Carry Over 716,971.40; Fiscal Year 25 Fund Balance **\$-127,378.28**

III. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTING:

- a) Stacey Scriven, Executive Director- Mrs. Scriven reported on the following: The Board's office is open to the public. The Dental Radiation Technologist has entered into the late period of the renewal cycle. Please check the Dental Board's website regularly for any updates.
- b) Helen Lee-Virgil, D.D.S., Chief Dental Officer- Dr. Helen Lee-Virgil reported on the following: On February 19, 2025, 70 dentists visited The House to attend the Legislative Session to talk about key issues for Dentist Day.

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: Dr. Leslie Grant reported the following: The committee continues to review all Class I, II, III Permits.
- b) Applications: Dr. Oluwatoyin Fatogun reported on the following: The committee works with the Licensing department to review applications as they come in. We are currently in the renewal period for Dental Radiology Technologists. The renewal cycle for Dentists and Dental Hygienists begins on May 1, 2025.
- c) Infection Control/Biosafety: Dr. Leslie Grant reported on the following: According to the Maryland Department of Health as of March 04, 2025, 108 Marylanders are hospitalized with Covid-19: 101 adults and 7 children. 91 Marylanders are in acute care: 85 adults and 6 children. 17 Marylanders are in Intensive Care: 16 adults and 1 child. In regards to the Measles outbreaks, individuals born between 1957-1968 are advised to ask their Primary Care Physician if they will need to be revaccinated for Measles. According to the CDC as of February 28, 2025, there were 167 identified cases in 9 jurisdictions. 95% are unvaccinated and 1 death. Recommendations for vaccination are 1st dose between 12-15 months and 2nd dose between 4-6 years. Infants are considered vulnerable. Regarding H1N5, according to the CDC, as of March 4, 2025, there have been 70 cases and 1 death in the United States of H1N5. As of February 22, 2025, influenza has had 98 pediatric deaths this season.
- d) Continuing Education: no report
- e) Dental Hygiene: no report
- f) Legislative Action: no report

VI. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS:

- a) Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)- Dr. Leslie Grant reported the following: The PDMP met on February 13, 2025. The committee discussed Telehealth and Telemedicine prescribing. The DEA has released new rules creating permanent exceptions to in person evaluation requirements. The Proposed rule would include real time audio-video communication for each encounter. The comment period ends March 18, 2025. The next PDMP meeting will be held on April 10, 2025, from 4-5:30pm. This meeting is open to the public. All information can be found on their website. PDMP website: <https://health.maryland.gov/PDMP/Pages/Home.aspx>
- b) ADS Infection Control Bootcamp- Dr. Leslie Grant reported on the following: Dr. Grant

and Dr. Lee-Virgil attended the 2025 ADS Dental Infection Control Boot Camp that was held February 02, 2025, through February 05, 2025, in Atlanta, Georgia. Please see attached link: [ADS Dental Infection Control Boot Camp Report](#)

VII. UPCOMING REMINDERS: Next Open Session Meeting – March 19, 2025, 11:00am, Virtually

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. Leslie Grant and seconded by Dr. Joy Void-Holmes. There was no opposition or abstentions for adjournment. The open session adjourned at 11:37am

Minutes prepared by Jameelah Richardson-Abakah, Executive Assistant

Minutes Adopted: 16/07/2025

Deborah Cartee

Deborah Cartee (Jul 16, 2025 12:52 EDT)

Joy Void-Holmes, Secretary