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MISSOURI DENTAL BOARD

The Missouri Dental Board held its regularly scheduled meeting on July 20-22, 2006, at the Doubletree Hotel & Conference Center, 16625 Swingley Ridge Rd., Chesterfield, MO, according to its Public Member, Maxine Thompson.

President John L. Sheets, D.D.S., convened the regular open business session of the Board on Saturday, July 22, where the Board discussed or took action on the following matters:

Declaring July 22 to be Dr. Jake Lippert Day, President Sheets presented to Dr. Lippert, Executive Director of the Missouri Dental Association (MDA), a plaque and declaration honoring him for his years of service to the dental community. As Executive Director of the MDA since 1997, Dr. Lippert was instrumental in establishing the Well Being program and bringing to fruition the MDA building in Jefferson City. With Dr. Larry Jackson, retired Missouri Dental Board (MDB) member, Dr. Lippert fostered cooperation between the MDA and the MDB which led to improved communication within the dental community. Dr. Lippert will continue as Executive Director Emeritus of the MDA through 2007.

Representing the Missouri Dental Assistants Educators, Marge Bell reported that the Basic Skills Review test has been revised. Two hundred applicants took the test on June 21 with a 90% pass rate.

Mrs. Mary Lou Young, Missouri Dental Assistants Association (MDAA), announced that fees for the Basic Skills test have been raised to \$55 and \$105 for the Basic Skills Review course, a \$10 increase for each. Ms. Lee Ann Turnbaugh, MDAA, said that people exiting the Armed Forces are asking what procedures they need to do for Missouri certification and are told to take the Basic Skills Review examination. They then ask if the Expanded Functions Dental Assistants courses taken in the service would be accepted.

Ms. Young, MDAA, announced that the Medical Mission for Christ Community Health Center free clinic in Osage Beach is in operation. As of June 20, 2006, there were 71 patients of record and these are just getting people out of pain. To be eligible for treatment, patients must be within 200% of poverty level.

Ms. Stacey Scrivner, President Missouri Dental Hygienists' Association (MDHA), announced that the next MDHA Board meeting will be in November at Tan-Tar-A in Osage Beach. Senate Bill 828 was passed which removes the sunset provision set for dental hygienists working unsupervised in public

health settings. With the elimination of the sunset, dental hygienists will be able to continue working unsupervised on eligible children doing fluoride treatments, teeth cleaning and sealants at public health settings.

Ms. Deborah Polc of the Advisory Commission for Dental Hygienists (ACDH) announced that Deborah Gerecke, RDH, has been named Director of the Distance Learning Dental Hygiene Program. Opening in fall of 2007 will be two centers with ten students at each site in Sikeston and Rolla. The present schools of dental hygiene in UMKC School of Dentistry, Forest Park in St. Louis, State Fair in Sedalia, Ozark Technical College in Springfield, and Missouri Southern in Joplin will graduate 120 hygienists with 140 projected to be graduated in 2009.

Justin Smith, Executive I, gave the Executive Directors' report. Included with the report was the financial statement for fiscal year 2006, as of May 31, 2006. The Board's fund remains stable. At this time, the Division of Professional Registration has approved the Board's proposed changes to the rules on Addressing the Public - Dentists and Patient Abandonment. Both rules should appear soon in the Missouri Register, which begins the formal rulemaking process.

Dr. Kevin Wallace reported on the Dental Manpower meeting held on June 2, 2006, at the UMKC School of Dentistry where the future needs of dentistry were discussed. The ideal dentist to population ratio was projected and compared to the present, broken down by county, in Missouri. At present, 60% of Missourians see a dentist at last one time per year.

Chairman of the Policy Review Committee (PRC) Dr. Rolfe McCoy said that the Committee is still working on the Notice of Injury or Death rule. The revised MDB jurisprudence examination bank of questions was accepted by the Board. It was agreed to roll the question regarding the Armed Forces Assistants Training program into the PRC Expanded Functions Dental Assistants (EFDA) discussions.

The Well Being Committee report was presented by Dr. Eric Aubert, Board representative to the Well Being Committee. Dr. Aubert thanked the Board for the approval of an additional \$12,000 in funding for the program. The contract for the Well Being program must be re-bid in order to increase funding. That process generally takes 3 to 6 months. The Well Being Committee is looking into other ways to generate funding for the program.

An Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology Committee has been established with chairman Dr. Christos Angelopoulos. Also to serve on the Committee is Dr. Jerald Katz. Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology is the newest specialty that has been approved by the American Dental Association. Dr. Angelopoulos and Dr. Katz are the first two dentists to be licensed in this new specialty.

Representing the MDB on the Central Regional Dental Testing Service (CRDTS) steering committee will be Dr. Eric J. Aubert. The CRDTS examination review committee MDB representatives will be Dr. H. Fred Christman, III, and Ms. Patricia A. Lepp, RDH.

Serving on the Policy Review Committee of the MDB for the coming year will be Dr. Kevin D. Wallace, Chairman, Dr. Rolfe C. McCoy, Ms. Patricia A. Lepp, RDH, and Ms. Maxine Thompson, Public Member.

The Complaint Review Committee of the MDB continues with Dr. Eric J. Aubert serving as Chairman, with Committee members Dr. John L. Sheets and Dr. H. Fred Christman, III.

At its annual election of officers, the Board elected:

Rolfe C. McCoy, D.M.D., President
Patricia A. Lepp, R.D.H., Vice President
H. Fred Christman, III, D.D.S., Secretary

The new terms of office begin immediately following this meeting.

After the election of officers, Dr. McCoy presented to outgoing President Dr. John Sheets a plaque in recognition and appreciation of his service on the Board and to the profession of Dentistry.

The 2007 meeting schedule for the Missouri Dental Board will be:

- January 11, 12, 13 in Columbia, MO
- April 19, 20, 21 in Springfield, MO
- July 19, 20, 21 in Kansas City, MO
- October 18, 19, 20 in St. Louis, MO

Disciplinary hearings were held for three dentists. Deliberation on discipline was in closed session in accordance with Missouri law, but the disciplinary orders are an open record. The orders should be issued within a few weeks and will be available to the public upon request at that time.

The Missouri Dental Board regulates approximately 3,161 dentists, 634 dental specialists, and 2,751 dental hygienists.

Members of the Missouri Dental Board, all of whom were present at this meeting, are:

John L. Sheets, D.D.S., President, Cape Girardeau, MO
Rolfe C. McCoy, D.M.D., Vice President, Chillicothe, MO
Patricia A. Lepp, R.D.H., Secretary, St. Louis, MO
Eric J. Aubert, D.M.D., Member, St. Louis, MO
H. Fred Christman, III, D.D.S., Columbia, MO
Kevin D. Wallace, D.M.D., Member, Springfield, MO
E. Maxine Thompson, Public Member, Cameron, MO

The Missouri Dental Board will meet again on October 26-28, 2006, in Kansas City, MO. For more information regarding the Missouri Dental Board, individuals may write to: Missouri Dental Board, P.O. Box 1367, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, or call (573) 751-0040.

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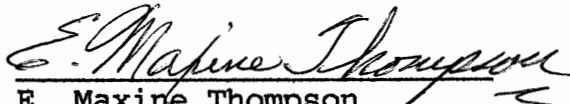
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