Revised Meeting Notice

Missouri Dental Board

March 8, 2013 @ 9:00 a.m.

Associated Industries of Missouri
3234 W. Truman Boulevard
Jefferson City, Missouri

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Please see the attached tentative agenda for this meeting.

cc: Members, Missouri Dental Board
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Open Agenda

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Friday, March 8, 2013

1.  9:00 a.m. Call to Order  Ms. Polc

2.  Roll Call  Dr. Saladin

3.  Approval of the Agenda  Ms. Polc

4.  Creation of Missouri Basic Skills Exam for Dental Assistants  Dr. Wallace

5.  Review of Expanded Functions Curriculum and Establishment of Board Criteria for Approving Expanded Functions Courses  Ms. Polc

6.  Review of Procedures for Implementing New Sedation Rules  Mr. Barnett

Adjournment
OPEN MINUTES
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The open meeting of the Missouri Dental Board was called to order by Ms. Deb Polc, President, at approximately 9:06 a.m. on Friday March 8, 2013 at the Associated Industries of Missouri, 3234 W. Truman Boulevard, Jefferson City, Missouri.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Ms. Deborah K. Polc, R.D.H., President
Dr. Mark F. Saladin, Secretary
Dr. Kevin D. Wallace, Member
Dr. Eric J. Aubert, Member
Dr. Paul P. Titterington, Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Mr. Randall Relford, Vice President

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:
Brian Barnett, Executive Director
Rhonda Robinett-Fogle, Licensing Supervisor
Kevin Davidson, Investigator II

LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:
Earl Kraus, Division Counsel

GUESTS PRESENT:
Lori Bruce, RDH Advisory Commission for Dental Hygienists
Wanda Stout, Missouri Dental Assistants Educators
Vicki Wilbers, Executive Director, Missouri Dental Association
Lynn Barbour, President, Missouri Dental Association
Melissa Albertson, Missouri Dental Association
Janet Sell, Ozarks Technical Community College
Diann Bomkamp, Missouri Dental Hygienists’ Association
LeeAnn Turnbaugh, Missouri Dental Assistants Association
Karen Dent, Missouri Primary Care Association

To better track the order in which items were taken up on the agenda, each item in the minutes will be listed in the order it was discussed in the meeting.
APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
A motion was made by Dr. Titterington and seconded by Dr. Aubert to approve the open agenda as written. The motion carried unanimously.

CREATION OF MISSOURI BASIC SKILLS EXAM FOR DENTAL ASSISTANTS
Dr. Wallace presented the Board with proposed questions that potentially will make up the Missouri Dental Board’s basic skills test bank of questions. Dr. Wallace stated questions were compiled from the existing test banks made available. Dr. Wallace said they appeared to be fairly complete and representative and he sorted and broke the questions out in to the following seven (7) subsections.

I. Oral Disease Prevention Questions 19
II. Dental Materials Test Bank Questions 35
III. Emergency/Medical Questions 50
IV. Infection Control Questions 200
V. Charts/Legal Issues/Jurisprudence 28
VI. Radiology Questions 31
VII. Tooth Morphology 100

Dr. Wallace suggested to the Board that the tests consist of 50 multiple choice questions with roughly fifty percent (50%) of the fifty (50) questions coming from sections I, II, III, V, and VI, five (5) questions from each of these sections). Dr. Wallace also suggested that thirty percent (30%) of a test's questions come from section IV with the remaining twenty percent (20%) coming from section VII. Dr. Wallace stated he thought being that knowledge of infection control and basic tooth morphology (subsections IV and VII) should carry more weight perhaps than other subsections. Dr. Wallace additionally suggested that the Dental Board should chronologically pick one (1) section per year to update as this would allow for the test bank to be updated in total every seven (7) years.

Ms. Polc stated she would like to add some additional questions on fluoride. Dr. Wallace indicated there are a lot of places where the Board can add questions but the Board should take precaution not to add everything all at once because a lot of the people will come in at different levels and will not grasp all the basic skills for this test. However, Dr. Wallace feels that the Board can expect more of the basic skills to be taught in the Expanded Functions Dental Assistant (EFDA) courses.

Dr. Wallace stated what the Board is trying to create is a basic skills examination that is set up to test the most basic of the basic skills. The Board is trying to ensure that a student whom signs up for an EFDA course can at least have the knowledge and the ability to communicate with their instructors well enough to get the course.

After detailed discussion regarding the test questions, Mr. Barnett stated the ratification of the official test will need to be held in closed session. Mr. Kraus stated the examination questions should not be put out to the public if the Board is considering
using them in the test bank of questions. However, Mr. Kraus did say the Board can accept suggestions as to what the test questions should be, but the actual adding and deleting of the questions from the test bank should be done in closed session; otherwise, it would be communicating the test questions to the public and the Board should protect the integrity of the examination.

Dr. Wallace stated that some educators went to a lot of trouble to put together a review course and an online test for those in rural areas and he feels that this is a tremendous service and he hopes what the Board is doing does not get in the way of this service. Problems and concerns were discussed regarding online review courses and tests; suggestions were made by Board Members on how the issue can be solved and instructed staff to research options on how to keep access to a basic skills examination online for those who live in rural areas without the Board releasing the complete test bank to those who meet the criteria to administer the test.

A motion was made by Dr. Wallace and seconded by Dr. Titterington to approve the basic skills test bank as written and instruct board staff to use Dr. Wallace’s formula to create a one hundred (100) question basic skills test and bring it before the Board at the April 18-19, 2013 board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**REVIEW OF EXPANDED FUNCTIONS CURRICULUM AND ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD CRITERIA FOR APPROVING EXPANDED FUNCTIONS COURSES**

Mr. Barnett suggested the Board set their expectations and then use this set of expectations to determine/approve appropriate expanded functions courses. Mr. Barnett stated the Board should set acceptable skill sets they want to see taught in each of the specific areas of expanded functions courses.

Dr. Saladin said one of his expectations for an acceptable orthodontic expanded functions course would be that one of the skill sets they would need to include would be removable orthodontic bands and bonds and the removal of the bonding material. Dr. Saladin discussed numerous ways in which bonding material can be removed.

Dr. Saladin stated another expectation for orthodontics would be that courses utilize natural tooth structure.

Dr. Wallace stated he has eight (8) different generalized expectations which he feels are objectively based and he said he will not go through all of them; however, one of them is to hold them to a level that is consistent to what is being taught in dental schools as the standard of care.

Ms. Polc stated that she agrees with Dr. Wallace. Ms. Polc said if this is going to be the board’s course, and the Board is here to protect the public then these educational standards and the courses that are approved must be up to quality as when they leave the course they must have good fundamentals that is up to the standard of care.
Dr. Wallace stated it seems like the Board is in agreement on two expectations thus far, number one, as part of the bonding process, they must show a mechanism for finishing the tooth structure back which is acceptable by the Board and number two is that there must be some exposure to etching real teeth.

Dr. Saladin stated the Board cannot write out specific detailed expectations without a rule promulgation; however, as an individual board member each member can voice their individual expectations right now.

Dr. Wallace stated this is a process and he wants to take the time to do it the best the Board can and he feels the Board is headed down the right path, but is just going slow.

After the Board took a brief break, Dr. Wallace discussed some more of his expectations for orthodontics. Dr. Wallace spoke about the bending of arch wire and he asked the board for discussion on this topic. Dr. Wallace asked the Board when they evaluate preliminary arch wire bending, do they have them bend it over a curve and it meets the criteria or must they have some basic understanding of the wire, what the expectations are of what they are doing. Dr. Wallace also said in addition to the basic skills and knowing some anatomy there, there some additional anatomy of the teeth that an assistant needs to understand, the difference between possibly enamel and dentin, the difference between a central incisor and a lateral, the morphology of it. Dr. Wallace stated this process gets big in a hurry but it depends on what you are looking for.

Dr. Titterington stated it depends on how the rule is looked at and how much the Board thinks the assistants should be able to do and subsequently train them to that point. Dr. Titterington agrees with Dr. Wallace as everything that is done, should be done to the same standard of care that has been done whether it is done by the dentist or done by the EFDA so they should train accordingly.

Mr. Kraus stated that as courses are approved by the Board, the process will become easier or narrow as there will be approved courses for comparison. Mr. Kraus stated that standards are very high normally and vary from member to member; however, that does not necessarily mean that is the same standard for approval because for approval you are accomplishing the goal of doing the education that meets Board competency. Mr. Kraus stated the best practice of competency may not be the same and he feels that is important to keep in mind.

Dr. Wallace stated the Board needs to evaluate how the courses are being taught. Dr. Titterington said a big issue for him is the hands on component. Dr. Wallace said competency testing is another issue. Dr. Wallace feels the Board can evaluate content; however, cannot evaluate the course in total until people actually sit through it and participate in it.

Dr. Aubert stated that the Board can not focus on specifics but must focus on criteria but can not break down every specific to get the criteria as it will take years to get through everything.
The Board recessed for lunch at 12:30 p.m. and reconvened at 1:13 p.m.

The Board talked about the restorative after lunch. Dr. Saladin said that he believes there needs to be a little bit more instruction regarding dental materials and interactions of things, understanding why things are done in a certain way.

Dr. Wallace stated there must be some type of materials instruction. There must be a component to finish the restorations as well Dr. Wallace stated.

DISCUSSION REGARDING IMPLEMENTING NEW SEDATION RULES
Mr. Barnett stated that any time there are significant changes, new requirements, there is going to be a transition period and the Board will have small things to work through. Mr. Barnett said one issue is that the Board has sedation permits that will expire June 1, 2013 so those permit holders were already half way through the renewal process when the rule change took effect and for some of them it will change the requirements for renewal. Mr. Kraus stated the Board should look at the authority they have to see how much flexibility there is within that authority.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further open business to be brought before the Board at this time, a motion was made by Dr. Aubert and seconded by Dr. Titterington that this meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Robinett-Fogle, Processing Technician Supervisor

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Brian Barnett, Executive Director

Approved by the Board on: ____________