The special meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry was held on Friday, March 10, 2023. The meeting was held pursuant to public notice, each member received notice, and notice was properly posted.

**CALL TO ORDER**
The meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Dr. Price, President.

1. **ROLL CALL**
At the request of Dr. Price, a roll call was taken. Dr. Price stated that a quorum of the Board was present.

**PRESENT**
- Dr. Thomas Price, President
- Dr. Jay Dumas, Vice President
- Dr. Jeetendra Patel, Secretary Treasurer
- Dr. Don Bennett, Member
- Dr. Griffin Deen, Member
- Mr. Carlos Zelaya, Member
- Dr. Kimberly Caldwell, Member
- Dr. David Baughman, Member
- Dr. Josh Reaves, Member
- Ms. Joelle Breaux, RDH, Member
- Dr. Rick Willis, Member
- Dr. Nelson Daly, Member
- Dr. Terry Billings, Member
- Dr. L. Stephen Ortego, Member
- Dr. Ike House, Member

**ALSO PRESENT WERE**
- Dr. Arthur Hickham, Jr., Executive Director
- Ms. Erin Conner, Assistant Executive Director
- Ms. Rachel Daniel, Board staff
- Ms. Alexx Smith, Board staff
- Mr. Kirk Groh, Board Counsel
- Ms. Annette Droddy, LDA
- Dr. John Gallo, LSU Dental School
2. OPENING REMARKS BY PRESIDENT
Dr. Price thanked everyone for attending the meeting and asked Dr. Ortego to do the invocation. After the invocation Dr. Price asked all guests to introduce themselves.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
Dr. Price asked for public comment.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING
Dr. Baughman moved
Resolved, that the minutes, as circulated of the annual Board meeting of December 2, 2022 are hereby adopted, ratified, and approved in their entirety. The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

5. CONFIRMATION OF ACTS SINCE PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING
Dr. Baughman moved
Resolved, that the acts and decisions taken by the President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer and Executive Director in the general conduct and transactions of Board business since December 2, 2022, be and they are hereby approved, adopted, and ratified in full by the Board. The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

STANDING COMMITTEES

6. LICENSING AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE, Dr. Jeet Patel, Chair
Dr. Patel gave his report.
Dr. Ortego moved
Resolved, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry accepts the listing below prepared by its Secretary-Treasurer, covering the dentists and hygienists who failed to timely renew their dental licenses for the calendar years 2021-2022 as provided in R.S. 37:770,
and in connection therewith, their licenses to practice dentistry or hygiene be revoked and that said licensees be so notified in writing.
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

There was a discussion of the length of time that an examination should remain valid for initial licensure and regarding license by credentials procedures.

Dr. Bennett moved
Resolved, that recommendation of the Licensing and Credentials Committee be accepted and that Rule 1709(C) be revised to provide that examination scores are valid for initial licensure by examination for 5 years, instead of the current three years.
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

7. OFFICE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, Dr. Rick Willis, Chair
Dr. Willis reviewed the quarterly financial reports.

Mr. Zelaya moved
Resolved, that the minutes of the December 2, 2022 Office Management Committee meeting be approved.
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

8. RULEMAKING COMMITTEE, Dr. Jay Dumas, Chair
Dr. Dumas gave his report.

There was a discussion of specialty rules.

Dr. Bennett moved
Resolved, that the recommendation of the Rulemaking Committee be accepted and that Rules 122(A) and 301(C) be revised to remove the list of accepted specialties, leaving only that the Board recognizes exclusively any area of specialty for which a dentist has completed a post-doctoral program consisting of at least two full time years and which program is accredited by an accreditation agency that is recognized by the United States Department of Education.
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Bennett moved
Resolved, that the recommendation of the Rulemaking Committee be accepted and that Rule 1509(A) regarding third party anesthesia be revised to change the list of acceptable third-party anesthesia providers from a “Louisiana-licensed physician who specializes in anesthesiology, a third-party Louisiana-licensed certified registered nurse anesthetist, or an oral and maxillofacial surgeon who is permitted by the board to administer moderate sedation, deep sedation, and general anesthesia...” to a “Louisiana-licensed physician who specializes in anesthesiology, a
third-party Louisiana-licensed certified registered nurse anesthetist, or a Louisiana licensed dentist with an appropriate sedation permit for the level of anesthesia to be achieved an oral and maxillofacial surgeon who is permitted by the board to administer moderate sedation, deep sedation, and general anesthesia”
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

9. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, Mr. Carlos Zelaya, Chair
Mr. Zelaya gave his report.

10. EXAMINATION COMMITTEE, Dr. Steve Ortego, Chair
Dr. Ortego gave his report.

11. ANESTHESIA COMMITTEE, Dr. David Baughman, Chair
Dr. Baughman gave his report.
Mr. Zelaya moved
Resolved, that the minutes from the December 2, 2022 Anesthesia Committee be approved.
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

12. IMPAIRED DENTIST COMMITTEE, Dr. Nelson Day, Chair
Dr. Hammond of the HPFL presented his report.

13. CE COMMITTEE, Dr. Kimberly Caldwell, Chair
Dr. Caldwell gave her report.

14. NEW BUSINESS AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD
Mr. Zelaya moved
Resolved, that the minutes of the December 2, 2022, Nominating Committee meeting be approved.
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

There was a discussion of tier 2.1 reports, and board member training requirements.

Mr. Zelaya moved
Resolved, that the resolution language in the board book regarding attorneys The Groh Law Firm and the Law Office of Peyton B. Burkhalter be adopted and approved as Board resolutions. The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Daly moved 
Resolved, that the contract of the Healthcare Providers Foundation of Louisiana be ratified. The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Bennett moved 
Resolved, that the contract of Pettiette, Armand, Dunkelman, Woodley, Byrd & Cromwell, L.L.P. be ratified. The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

15. REPORTS ON INVESTIGATIONS, ADJUDICATIONS, AND LITIGATION
No executive session was necessary for this meeting.

16. ADJOURNMENT
Mr. Zelaya moved 
Resolved, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby adjourns its meeting of March 10, 2023. The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Bennett adjourned the meeting at 1:55 PM.

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Jeet Patel, D.D.S.
Secretary/Treasurer
Louisiana State Board of Dentistry