A special meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry was held on Friday, August 19, 2016, at the offices of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry located at One Canal Place, Suite 2680, 365 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130. The meeting was held pursuant to public notice, each member received notice, and notice was properly posted. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Dr. Rusty Mayer, President.

At the request of Dr. Mayer, a roll call was taken. Dr. Mayer stated that a quorum of the Board was present.

**PRESENT**
- Dr. Rusty Mayer, President
- Dr. Claudia Cavallino, Vice President
- Dr. Marija LaSalle, Secretary-Treasurer
- Dr. Leonard Breda, Member
- Patricia Hanson, RDH, Member
- Dr. Robert Foret, Member
- Dr. Wilton Guillory, Member
- Dr. Ike House, Member
- Dr. Dean Manning, Member
- Dr. Ronald Marks, Member
- Dr. J. Jerome Smith, Member
- Dr. Richard Willis, Member

**ALSO PRESENT BY BOARD INVITATION WERE**
- Arthur Hickham, Jr., Executive Director
- Kirk Groh, Board Counsel
- Erin Conner, Director of Licensing
- Rachel Daniel, Board Staff
- Tom Arcenaux
- Dr. John Gallo, LSUSD
- Suzanne Farrar, RDH
- Ward Blackwell, LDA
- Sharon Chaney, RDH, ULM
- Joseph Ferrara
- Laura Ferrara
- Dr. Binh Pham
- Dr. Jamie Manders
Dr. Seth Kunen, Healthcare Professionals’ Foundation of Louisiana
Julie Alleman, Healthcare Professionals’ Foundation of Louisiana
Dr. John Landreneau
Tony Layne
Dr. Greg Folse

Dr. Mayer thanked everyone for attending the meeting and asked all guests to introduce themselves. After the introductions, Dr. Mayer asked for public comment. Hearing none, he turned to Agenda item number 4 wherein Dr. Manning made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Cavallino that it be

**RESOLVED,** that the minutes, as circulated, of the special Board meeting of May 6, 2016, in New Orleans, Louisiana, are hereby adopted, ratified and approved in their entirety.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Next, Dr. Cavallino made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Guillory that it be:

**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 May 6, 2016, 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.

Dr. Marks then recognized recently deceased former Board member Dr. H.O. Blackwood. He stated that Dr. Blackwood was the longest serving Board member and would be remembered for his years of dedicated service to the dental profession and the public of Louisiana.

**LICENSING AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE,** Dr. Dean Manning, Chairman

Dr. Manning made the motion which was seconded by Dr. LaSalle that it be

**RESOLVED,** having considered the application for licensure by credentials in the State of Louisiana by the persons named below, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves said applications and awards them their requested license to practice dentistry in the State of Louisiana, granting them all the privileges, duties, and responsibilities associated therewith.

a. Dr. Brandon Clyburn
b. Dr. Jennifer Elzinga-Swedlow
c. Dr. Jenni Triola
d. Azeb Abera, RDH
e. Stephanie Camp, RDH
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Manning then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Marks that it be

**RESOLVED,** that under the authority of R.S. 37:760 (A) (12), the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves the issuance of a restricted dental license to the following persons:

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The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Manning then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Guillory that it be

**RESOLVED**, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves the proposed changes to the LSUCDE Expanded Duty Dental Assistant course to allow the didactic portion be completed online.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Manning then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Cavallino that it be

**RESOLVED**, under the authority of R.S. 37:760 (A)(6) and LAC 46:XXXIII.120, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves the issuance of temporary dental hygiene license to the following person:

Stephanie Camp, RDH  
Joanna Smith, RDH

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. LaSalle then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Manning that it be

**RESOLVED**, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby amends its agenda to take up discussion of Agenda item 13 (viii) regarding therapy dogs.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Ferrara then presented his request to allow therapy dogs in dental offices for purposes of reducing anxiety. The Board took no position on his request as there is currently no Board rule prohibiting therapy dogs.

**OFFICE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**, Dr. Wilton Guillory, Chairman

Dr. Guillory asked Mr. Hickham to review the financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. Mr. Hickham reviewed the information and stated that the Board was in a good overall financial position.

Discussion then ensued regarding the recently concluded Agreed Upon Procedure audit. Mr. Hickham stated that there were no findings, and the Board was satisfied.

Dr. Marks made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Hanson that it be
RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby accepts, approves, and adopts the budget as prepared by the executive director for fiscal year 2016-2017.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Marks made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Foret that it be

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby removes the suggestion that the Board perform CDC inspections on every dental office every three years from its Policies and Procedures Manual.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

IMPAIRED DENTIST COMMITTEE, Dr. Jerome Smith, Chairman
Dr. Kunen and Ms. Alleman delivered a report on the Healthcare Professionals’ Foundation of Louisiana monitoring program.

No action was taken following a discussion of licensees practicing while taking legally prescribed Xanax.

EXAMINATION COMMITTEE, Dr. Marija LaSalle, Chairperson
Dr. Manning discussed the current CITA examinations and reported that additional states are now accepting the ADEX examination. He reminded the members of the upcoming CITA meeting in October.

The Board then reviewed the ADEX and WREB responses following the ADEA/ADA letter urging all licensing jurisdictions to accept all clinical licensure examinations. It was noted that with a majority of jurisdictions accepting ADEX, the ADEA and ADA’s desire for greater licensure mobility among the states may soon be a moot point. The Board will revisit this issue at its next meeting to discuss the possibility of sending a grader to observe the WREB examinations.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, Dr. Claudia Cavallino, Chairperson
Dr. Cavallino asked Mr. Hickham to review the recently passed legislation which would impact the Board. The domicile change to Baton Rouge has been pushed back to January 1, 2018.

RULEMAKING COMMITTEE, Dr. Ronald Marks, Chairman
Dr. Manning made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Hanson that it be

RESOLVED, that the minutes, as circulated, of the Rulemaking Committee meeting of May 24, 2016, in New Orleans, Louisiana, are hereby adopted, ratified and approved in their entirety.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.
Dr. Marks stated that the Rulemaking Committee had met earlier to discuss proposed changes to rules regarding general supervision of hygienists in nursing homes. The committee will revisit this issue following the next LSBD-LDA Task Force meeting.

**ANESTHESIA COMMITTEE**, Dr. Richard Willis, Chairman

Dr. Willis stated that the Anesthesia Committee had met earlier and recommended that dentists employing a third party to sedate pediatric patients be required to hold current PALS certification.

Dr. Willis made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Foret that it be

**RESOLVED**, that the minutes, as circulated, of the Anesthesia Committee meeting of May 31, 2016, in New Orleans, Louisiana, are hereby adopted, ratified and approved in their entirety.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Marks made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Guillory that it be

**RESOLVED**, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry has reviewed the proposed revision to LAC 46XXXIII.1509 and hereby directs, empowers, and authorizes its Rulemaking Committee, President, Executive Director, and Counsel to proceed with the completion of the amendments; and

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**, those parties are instructed to complete promulgation of the rule as soon as possible.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

The Board deferred consideration of requiring pedodontists who sedate children over the age of 12 maintaining ACLS certification until the next meeting.

The Board deferred consideration of automated external defibrillators until the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHICH MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE BOARD**

Dr. Guillory made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Marks that it be

**RESOLVED**, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves and ratifies the contract entered into by the board president with Sharp and Company.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Guillory made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Marks that it be
RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves and ratifies the contract entered into by the board president with the Healthcare Professionals’ Foundation of Louisiana.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Guillory made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Marks that it be

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves and ratifies the contract entered into by the board president with Bruce Cranner of Talley, Anthony, Hughes, and Knight.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Manning then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. LaSalle that it be

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby amends its agenda to take up discussion of Senate Resolution 65.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

It was noted that boards and commissions under DHH were now required to meet to discuss any possible changes to board structures or procedures in light of the 2015 U.S. Supreme Court ruling regarding the North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners. Mr. Hickham stated that he did not see any need to revise the structure or any procedures for the Board.

Dr. Cavallino then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Marks that it be

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby amends its agenda to take up discussion of the dental license application of B.P.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Cavallino then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Marks that it be

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing investigations, adjudications, litigations, and professional competency of individuals and staff; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry may discuss litigation in Executive Session when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining and litigating position of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry.
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Marks made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Manning that it be

**RESOLVED**, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby defers its decision regarding the dental license application to its next meeting.

All members voted in the affirmative except Dr. Guillory who voted against the motion and Dr. LaSalle who abstained. The motion passed.

Ms. Conner notified the Board of the October 1 start date for license renewals.

The Board members then reviewed the LDA Peer Review Report through July 31, 2016.

The Board then discussed the latest efforts of the LSBD/LDA Task Force. It was noted that the two entities have been working well together and making progress.

The Board then discussed the ongoing Legislative Auditors’ procedural audit. The final report is expected later this year.

It was the consensus of the Board that guests invited to speak at meetings should be cleared with the Board president or committee chairperson prior to the meeting at which the guest will speak.

The Board discussed the unfilled seats on the Board for the eighth and fifth districts. Nominating meetings were held and nominees’ names were forwarded to the Governor’s office. The Board is currently waiting for the appointments from the Governor.

Dr. Mayer stated that any Board member who has not completed the required annual training must do so by the end of 2016.

Mr. Hickham then stated that the staff was currently interviewing prospective computer services providers to take over the Board’s network and security.

**REPORTS ON INVESTIGATIONS, ADJUDICATIONS, AND LITIGATION**

Dr. Cavallino made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Marks that it be

**RESOLVED**, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing investigations, adjudications, litigations, and professional competency of individuals and staff; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry may discuss litigation in Executive Session when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining and litigating position of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry.
The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Manning made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Hanson that it be

**RESOLVED,** that the action of the President in entering into a resolution in the matter involving Dr. C. Ryan Haygood via Consent Decree by and between the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry and Dr. C. Ryan Haygood (as per copy of Agreement Containing Consent Decree which is attached hereto and made a part hereof), be adopted, confirmed, and ratified by this Board; and further that all acts of the President, Board members, and Executive Director in the furtherance of this purpose are hereby ratified.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Marks made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Manning that it be

**RESOLVED,** that the action of the President in entering into a resolution in the matter involving Dr. Ambrose M. Martin via Consent Decree by and between the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry and Dr. Ambrose M. Martin (as per copy of Agreement Containing Consent Decree which is attached hereto and made a part hereof), be adopted, confirmed, and ratified by this Board; and further that all acts of the President, Board members, and Executive Director in the furtherance of this purpose are hereby ratified.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

**PER DIEM**

Dr. Marks made the motion which was seconded by Dr. LaSalle that it be

**RESOLVED,** the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby amends its agenda to add “attendance at the July 22-24, 2016, CITA mid-year meeting” to Per Diem payments.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Guillory made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Hanson that it be

**RESOLVED,** that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the May 6, 2016, Board meeting and hearings held in New Orleans, Louisiana; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized and directed to pay up to two additional travel days in per diem to Board members requiring same in connection with their attendance at said meeting.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Guillory made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Hanson that it be

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the July 22, 2016, LSBD-LDA Task Force meeting held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Guillory made the motion which was seconded by Ms. Hanson that it be

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the July 22-24, 2016, CITA mid-year meeting held in Baltimore, Maryland; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized and directed to pay up to two additional travel days in per diem to Board members requiring same in connection with their attendance at said meeting.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Ms. Hanson then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Willis that it be

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby adjourns its meeting of August 19, 2016.

The motion was adopted after a unanimous vote in the affirmative.

Dr. Mayer then adjourned the meeting at 5:00 PM.

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Marija LaSalle, D.D.S.
Secretary/Treasurer
Louisiana State Board of Dentistry