

Allied Dental Committee Meeting

January 2, 2026
11:30 am
335 Randolph Avenue Room 104
St. Paul, MN 55102
and
Open Webinar/Teleconference Meeting

Call to Order

Heidi Donnelly called the meeting to order at 11:35 am.

Board Members Present

Heidi Donnelly, LDA, Chair
Trina Courtright, DH, ADT
Rick Nolting, DDS, MS

Board Staff Present

Bridgett Anderson, Executive Director
Kathy Johnson, Legal Analyst
Mary Luecke, Executive Administrative Assistant

Board Members Absent

Linda Gustafson, PT

Approval of Draft Agenda

The January 2, 2026 agenda was reviewed and approved.

Review and Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

The April 8, 2025 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as submitted.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Review of MEDA Curriculum

Bridgett Anderson reviewed Minnesota's dental assisting curriculum and exam requirements. She utilized an Out-of-State Dental Assistant Expanded Functions Training Chart listing the minimum number of instructional hours required for procedure competencies. The chart includes all areas of Minnesota Educators of Dental Assisting (MEDA) curriculum required for clinical and instructional standards in specific expanded function areas.

Curriculum is periodically evaluated and required to be approved by the Board. Education hour requirements are reviewed to meet standard of care and patient safety competency. Clinical

relevance, regarding procedurally what is done in practice, is a consideration along with advancements in technology. The Board receives many applicants educated out-of-state and needs to be consistent to assure the same requirements as the CODA approved Minnesota dental programs are met. If MEDA has new curriculum recommendations when they meet this spring, the Allied Dental Committee will review.

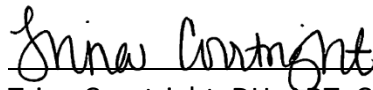
Announcements

The Board is working with the State Revisor's office on the proposed rulemaking project Statement of Need and Reasonableness (SONAR). The rulemaking project includes the Allied Dental Committee's previous revisions to allied professional duties.

Adjourn

Heidi Donnelly, adjourned at 12:05 pm.

Reviewed by:



Trina Courtright, DH, ADT, Chair

June 9, 2026

Date