

Allied Dental Education Committee Meeting

Tuesday, September 29, 2020

5:00 pm

Open Teleconference Meeting

No-in-person public attendees due to social distancing for COVID-19

Call to Order

Christy Jo Fogarty, chair, called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

Board Members Present by WebEx

Christy Jo Fogarty, DH, ADT, Chair

Heidi Donnelly, LDA

Board Staff Present by WebEx

Bridgett Anderson, Executive Director

Joyce Nelson, Director of Licensing

Mary Luecke, Administrative Assistant

Board Member Absent

Ranier Adarve, DDS, MS

Approval of Draft Agenda

MOTION: Heidi Donnelly made a motion to approve the September 29, 2020 agenda as submitted.

SECOND: Christy Jo Fogarty

RESULT: Unanimous. Motion Passed.

Review and Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Heidi Donnelly made a motion to adopt the December 2, 2019 minutes.

SECOND: Christy Jo Fogarty

RESULT: Motion Passed. Minutes adopted.

Reports

None

Unfinished Business

a. Review Current MEDA Curriculum

The Committee continued discussion of the Minnesota Educators of Dental Assistants (MEDA) *Draft May 4, 2019 Minnesota Expanded Functions Curriculum*. A curriculum chart with proposed procedures and related requirements was reviewed. The Committee is seeking input from educators

to understand why the *Expanded Functions Curriculum* is currently structured in the current format and if components such as lectures, lab hours, clinical hours and curriculum are in line with education needed for each duty. The Committee is additionally requesting educators to evaluate if there are any expanded functions areas where it would be appropriate to reduce hours. Representatives from MEDA reported they will discuss the curriculum further and provide input at a future Committee meeting.

b. Limited Radiology Assistant Training Discussion

The Committee discussed limited radiology registration regarding appropriate training requirements and practice experience. Dental educators in the audience provided feedback and participated in the discussion. The Committee discussed course requirements for a limited radiology certificate from any dental school or allied professional dental program of 80 hours of radiology training; 70 hours of dental anatomy; and 30 hours of dental sciences. The hours are based on feedback Bridgett Anderson received from educators. Chair Fogarty reported board members have additionally been discussing the topic in the Policy Committee.

New Business

a. Restorative Functions

Dr. Maureen Ohland from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry reported, the University submitted a letter of support outlining their proposal to change statute 150.10 Subd 4. The University proposal would allow a restorative function professional to provide more support to the dentist by adding a Class III/IV (anterior) restoration and add placement of bases and liners. The goal is to improve efficiency, productivity, and patient care under supervision of the dentist. The Committee discussed this is not allowed as a delegated duty in the allied professional scope in Minnesota at this time, but this does not prevent the University of Minnesota from teaching the additional knowledge. Bridgett Anderson clarified the Board of Dentistry would need to review proposed language and vote in a full board meeting if the University of Minnesota seeks the Board's support for the change to the statute. Dr. Ohland expressed appreciation for the Committee and audience review of the language and will discuss feedback with the University.

Announcements

None

Adjourn

Christy Jo Fogarty adjourned at 6:18 pm.

Reviewed by: Heidi C. Donnelly, LDA
Heidi Donnelly, LDA, Chair

August 30, 2021
Date