

**Licensing and Credentials
Committee Open Meeting Minutes**

Friday, January 26, 2024

11:00 am

Call to Order

Dr. Nolting, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:00am.

Board Members Present

Frederick "Rick" Nolting, D.D.S
Trina Courtright, ADT, DH
Linda Gustafson, Public Member

Board Staff Present

Brian Cochran, Assistant Director
Jenn Lindsey, Licensing Admin Asst.
Kathy Johnson, Legal Analyst

Review and Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

Hearing no additions or corrections, Dr. Nolting motioned to approve the December 15, 2023, minutes as distributed.

RESULT: Motion Passed

New Business:

a. Reinstatement Variance Requests

Lorie Kemp, DA (A12527)

MOTION: Linda Gustafson made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1850 subpart 3e (5) and allow Ms. Kemp to submit her reinstatement application without having to complete the examination for dental assistants (DASLE).

Ms. Kemp must reattempt and pass the Minnesota Jurisprudence examination and meet the Professional Development requirements to submit her reinstatement application on or before April 26, 2024.

SECOND: Trina Courtright
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

Marlys Freesemann (Kadry), DH (H4817)

Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1850 subpart 3e (4) and allow Ms. Freesemann (Kadry) to submit her reinstatement application without having to complete the clinical examination for dental hygienists.

Ms. Freesemann (Kadry) must reattempt and pass the Minnesota Jurisprudence examination and take refresher courses for local anesthesia and nitrous oxide to submit her reinstatement application on or before January 26, 2025.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

b. TOEFL Variance Request

David Ordosgoiti Palomo

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee table the variance request until Mr. Ordosgoiti Palomo connects with the TOEFL examination administrator (ETS) regarding accommodations or consider taking English as a Second language coursework through a college/university for committee review and approval.

SECOND: Trina Courtright
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

c. Sedation Variance Request

Jason Naud, DDS (D13452)

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.3600 Subpart 17 (3) and accept Dr. Naud's 59 hours of didactic education to submit his Conscious/Moderate Sedation application [without having to complete 60 hours of didactic education].

SECOND: Trina Courtright
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

d. CODA Variance Request

Thaily Diaz Fleites

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1400 subpart 1c (C) allow Dr. Diaz Fleites to submit her dental hygiene licensure via credentials application without having to complete a CODA accredited dental hygiene program.

SECOND: Trina Courtright

VOTE: Unanimous

RESULT: Motion Passed

e. Waiver Requests

Valerie Nyumah

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee grant the waiver to Minnesota Statute 150A.06, subdivision 8 (1) and allow Ms. Nyumah to submit a dental assisting licensure via credentials application upon completing the outlined coursework deficiencies through a Minnesota dental assisting program and upon taking and passing the required examinations for Minnesota dental assisting licensure.

SECOND: Trina Courtright

VOTE: (2) Aye (1) Abstain

RESULT: Motion Passed

Rani Wright

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee grant the waiver to Minnesota Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a and allow Ms. Wright to submit her dental assisting licensure via exam application without having to reattempt and pass the Dental Assisting National Boards (DANB).

SECOND: Trina Courtright

VOTE: Unanimous

RESULT: Motion Passed

Unfinished Business:

a. LGL Supervision:

Saied Moazzami, DDS (LGL17)

Committee agreement to table variance request until committee members can review the corrective action documents for Dr. Zollinger.

Committee members later agreed [unanimously] to grant the variance to Rule 3100.1130 subpart 3B and allow Dr. Moazzami to work with Dr. Zollinger who has had corrective action within the previous five years.

b. Internationally Educated Dentist (IED) Pathway

Data

Assistant Director of Licensure, Brian Cochran, presented to the committee [per the Board's request] data regarding IEDs who attained general dental licensure in Minnesota. Specifically, how many IEDs were subjected to corrective action.

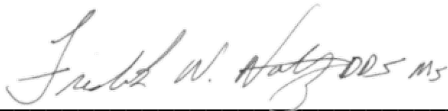
163 IEDs have been issued licensure in Minnesota. Around 20% of those licensed have had some type of public action taken against their license.

However, of the 31 IED licensees who have had public action taken against their license, all but 2 were prior to the adoption of the Limited General License (LGL) process in Statute in 2008.

The LGL process expanded requirements for IED candidates to determine educational equivalency and to sit for the clinical examination.

Committee members acknowledged that additional data and discussion was in order to evaluate the pathway.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:45pm



Frederick "Rick" Nolting, D.D.S., Committee Chair

2/16/2024

Date