

**Licensing and Credential  
Committee Open Meeting Minutes**

Friday, January 03, 2025  
10:00am

Call to Order

Dr. Nolting, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01am.

Board Members Present

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

Board Staff Present

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

Approval of Draft Agenda

Dr. Nolting motioned to approve the draft agenda as distributed.

RESULT: Motion Passed

**New Business:**

**a. Pediatric Sedation Variance Requests**

Regan Brown, DDS

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.3600 subpart 16a (A) (3) and allow Dr. Brown to submit an initial pediatric endorsement application.

Dr. Brown must submit an updated attestation form confirming 12 pediatric sedation cases [8 years or younger] within the last 24 months.

SECOND: Trina Courtright  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

Luke MacMenamin, DDS

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee deny the variance to Rule 3100.3600 subpart 16a (A) (3) [which would have allowed Dr. MacMenamin to submit an initial pediatric endorsement application without having to complete 12 pediatric sedation cases [8 years or younger] within the last 12 months.

SECOND: Trina Courtright  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

Steven Rodenburg, DDS

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.3600 subpart 16a (A) (3) and allow Dr. Rodenburg to submit an initial pediatric endorsement application.

Dr. Rodenburg must submit an updated attestation form confirming 12 pediatric sedation cases [8 years or younger] within the last 24 months.

SECOND: Trina Courtright  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

Christopher Shearen, DDS

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee deny the variance to Rule 3100.3600 subpart 16a (A) (3) [which would have allowed Dr. Shearen to submit an initial pediatric endorsement application without having to complete 12 pediatric sedation cases [8 years or younger] within the last 12 months.

SECOND: Trina Courtright  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

Kirby Johnson, DDS

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee table the variance to Rule 3100.3600 subpart 16a (A) (3) until Dr. Johnson can provide evidence of having completed 12 pediatric sedation cases [8 years or younger) within the last 24 months.

SECOND: Trina Courtright  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

**b. Guest Variance Request**

Carman Duerr

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee deny the variance to Rule 3100.1370 subpart 1 (D) [which would have allowed Ms. Duerr to submit a guest dental licensure application without completing a CODA accredited dental assisting program].

SECOND: Linda Gustafson  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

**c. TOEFL Variance Request**

Swastika Mahat

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1130 subpart 1(A) (3) and allow Ms. Mahat to pursue limited general dental (LGL) licensure without having to retake the TOEFL examination.

SECOND: Dr. Nolting  
VOTE: 2 in favor. 1 abstain.  
RESULT: Motion Passed

**d. CODA Waiver Requests**

Daysha Moore

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee deny the waiver to Minnesota Statute 150A.06, subdivision 8 (1) [which would have allowed Ms. Moore to submit a dental assisting via credentials licensure application without completing a CODA accredited dental assisting program].

SECOND: Linda Gustafson  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

Zhanna Primachenko Hanchar

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

SECOND: Linda Gustafson  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

Rae Venner

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

SECOND: Trina Courtright  
VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

**e. Jurisprudence Waiver Request**

Sia Yang

MOTION: Linda Gustafson made a motion that per MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a, the Committee deny Ms. Yang's waiver request [which would have allowed Ms. Yang to submit her dental assisting via examination application without having to retake the Minnesota Jurisprudence examination].

SECOND: Trina Courtright

VOTE: Unanimous  
RESULT: Motion Passed

Meeting was adjourned at 10:31am



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

Date