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Licensing and Credentials Committee Open Meeting Minutes

Friday, June 14, 2024 10:00 am

Call to Order

Dr. Nolting, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

Board Members Present

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

Board Staff Present

Bridgett Anderson, Executive Director Brian Cochran, Assistant Director Mary Luecke, Executive Admin Assistant Kathy Johnson, Legal Analyst

Review and Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

Hearing no changes, additions, or deletions, Dr. Nolting motioned to approve the May 10, 2024, minutes as published.

RESULT: Motion Passed

Unfinished Business:

a. National Board Waiver Request

Sarah Sorenson

Dr. Nolting asserted that the committee table the waiver request for Sarah Sorenson until all alternative arrangements for the National Boards have been exhausted.

New Business:

a. Reinstatement Variance Request

Savannah Keller, LDA (A16152)



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MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1850 subpart 3 A and subpart 3 E (5) to allow Ms. Keller to submit her reinstatement application without having to complete the Professional Development requirements as well as DASLE examination.

Ms. Keller must retake and pass the Minnesota Jurisprudence examination prior to the submission of the reinstatement application on or before October 31, 2024.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Danielle Mattila, LDA (A15848)

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1850 subpart 3 A, subpart 3 C, and subpart 3 E (5) to allow Ms. Mattila to submit her reinstatement application without having to complete the Professional Development requirements as well as retake and pass the Jurisprudence and DASLE examinations.

Ms. Mattila must submit her reinstatement application on or before October 31, 2024.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Hope [Moller] McDermott, DH (H8875)

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1850 subpart 3 A and subpart 3 E (5) to allow Ms. McDermott to submit her reinstatement application without having to complete the Professional Development requirements as well as DASLE examination.

Ms. McDermott must retake and pass the Minnesota Jurisprudence examination prior to the submission of the reinstatement application on or before October 31, 2024.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed



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b. CPR Variance Request

Heidi McMillan, DH (H6921)

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1700 subpart 2 and allow Ms. McMillan to maintain active licensure without being current with CPR (Basic Life Support).

Linda Gustafson made an amendment to the motion and added that Ms. McMillan complete CPR (Basic Life Support) within 30 days upon returning to active practice.

VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

c. National Board and CODA Variance Request [Dental Hygiene]

Maria Furman:

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1400 subpart 1(H) C allow Dr. Furman to submit her dental hygiene licensure via credentials application without having to take the National Board Dental Hygiene Examination (NBDHE).

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

SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

d. National and Clinical Exam Waiver Requests

Sujaya Thogaru

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that per MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a, the Committee grant Dr. Thogaru her waiver request from having to retake the National Dental Examining Boards and allow her to pursue her application for a general dental license via exam.



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SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Dana LeMay

MOTION: Linda Gustafson made a motion that per MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a, the Committee grant Dana LeMay her waiver request from having to retake the National Dental Hygiene Examining Boards and dental hygiene clinical exam and allow her to pursue dental hygiene licensure via exam.

Ms. LeMay must submit her professional development certificates to the Board for review.

SECOND: Trina Courtright VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Derrick Bisnett

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that per MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a, the Committee grant Dr. Bisnett his waiver request from having to take the dental clinical exam and allow him to pursue his application for a general dental license via exam.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Sushma Bajaj

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that per MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a, the Committee grant Dr. Bajaj her waiver request from having to take the National Dental Examining Boards and dental clinical exam and allow her to pursue dental licensure via exam.

Dr. Bajaj must submit her professional development certificates to the Board for review.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Saba Naghipur

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that per MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a, the Committee grant Dr. Naghipur his waiver request from having to take the National Dental Examining Boards and dental clinical exam and allow him to pursue dental licensure via exam.

Dr. Naghipur must submit her professional development certificates to the Board for review.



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SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Praakrut Purohit

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion to not grant the dental clinical exam waiver request pursuant to MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a.

Dr. Purohit may submit a subsequent waiver request pursuant to MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3b upon successful completion of a CODA accredited AEGD or GPR program.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

e. CODA Waiver Requests

Michelle Auen

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the waiver to Minnesota Statute 150A.06, subdivision 8 (1) and allow Ms. Auen 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.

The outlined coursework deficiencies and examinations must be completed and an application must be submitted to the Board on or before June 14, 2025.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Emily Barker

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

SECOND: Trina Courtright VOTE: Unanimous



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RESULT: Motion Passed

Shiva Rasouli

MOTION: Dr. Nolting made a motion that the Committee grant the waiver to Minnesota Statute 150A.06, subdivision 8 (1) and allow Ms. Rasouli 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.

Ms. Rasouli must request an updated employer attestation that confirms completion of the drying root canal duty.

Furthermore, Ms. Rasouli must submit her professional development certificates to the Board for review.

SECOND: Trina Courtright VOTE: Unanimous RESULT: Motion Passed

Amy Wuebkers

MOTION: Dr. Nolting asserted that the Committee not grant the waiver to Minnesota Statute 150A.06, subdivision 8 (1) which would allow Ms. Wuebkers to submit a dental assisting licensure via credentials application upon taking and passing the required examinations for Minnesota dental assisting licensure.

Ms. Wuebkers may submit a subsequent waiver request pursuant to Minnesota Statute 150A.06, subdivision 8 (1) upon submission of an employer attestation form from the supervising dentist at the Lake Superior Community Health Center in Wisconsin.

Announcements

PSI: Online Proctoring

Assistant Director, Brian Cochran, addressed the committee to note that online proctoring for the Jurisprudence and DASLE examinations has been successful.

Online proctoring for both the Jurisprudence as well as DASLE examinations was implemented by the Board in January 2024.

New Rule Adoption

Assistant Director, Brian Cochran, addressed the committee to note that new rules were



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adopted by the Board in June 2024.

These new rules include the creation of a pediatric sedation endorsement for dentists as well as local anesthesia certification for licensed dental assistants.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:18am

07/26/2024

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

Date