

**Licensing and Credential
Committee Open Meeting Minutes**

Friday, May 23, 2025
10:30am

Call to Order

Dr. Nolting, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:32am.

Board Members Present

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

Board Staff Present

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

Approval of Past Meeting Minutes:

Hearing no changes, additions, or corrections, Dr. Nolting motioned to approve the past meeting minutes as distributed.

RESULT: Motion Passed

New Business:

a. Pediatric Endorsement Variance Denial Reconsideration Request:

Kirby Johnson, DDS

Dr. Nolting requested to defer review of reconsideration request from Dr. Johnson until current rule regarding pediatric patient cases is thoroughly reviewed by sedation committee.

b. Reinstatement Variance Request:

Anne M. High, DH

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

Ms. High must reattempt and pass the Minnesota Jurisprudence examination and submit 25 professional development credits before submitting her reinstatement application.

SECOND: Trina Courtright
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

Rosemary A. Stiff, DH

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

Ms. Stiff must reattempt and pass the Minnesota Jurisprudence examination and submit 25 professional development credits before submitting her reinstatement application on or before November 23, 2025.

SECOND: Trina Courtright
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

c. TOEFL Variance Request:

Rawand Shado

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

SECOND: Linda Gustafson
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

Mehran H. Motamed

MOTION: Linda Gustafson made a motion that the Committee deny the variance to Rule 3100.1130 subpart 1(A) (3) that would have allowed Mr. Motamed to pursue limited general dental (LGL) licensure without having to take the TOEFL examination.

SECOND: Trina Courtright
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

d. Limited Radiology Registration (LRR) Variance Request:

Teodulon L. Pugeda

MOTION: Linda Gustafson made a motion that the Committee grant the variance to Rule 3100.1320 subpart 1C and allow Mr. Pugeda to submit his Limited Radiology Registration (LRR) application without having to complete a board-approved radiology course.

SECOND: Trina Courtright
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

e. DANB Waiver Requests:

Gina Pax

MOTION: Linda Gustafson made a motion that the Committee grant the waiver to Minnesota Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a and allow Ms. Pax to submit her dental assisting licensure via credentials application without having to reattempt and pass the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB).

SECOND: Trina Courtright
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

Esther Willie

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that the Committee grant the waiver to Minnesota Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a and allow Ms. Willie to submit her dental assisting licensure via examination application without having to reattempt and pass the Dental Assisting National Board (DANB).

SECOND: Linda Gustafson
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

f. National Board Waiver Request

Abhijeet Rajpurohit

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion that per MN. Statute 150A.06 subdivision 3a, the Committee grant Dr. Rajpurohit his waiver request from having to retake the National Board Dental Examination (NBDE) and allow him to pursue his application for dental licensure via examination.

SECOND: Linda Gustafson
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

g. National Board and Clinical Examination Waiver Request

Ann Mussehl

MOTION: Trina Courtright made a motion to table waiver request review until Ms. Mussehl can provide proof of dental hygiene work experience.

The committee requests Ms. Mussehl's attendance at the next licensure committee meeting [upon receipt of dental hygiene work experience verification].

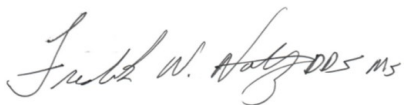
SECOND: Linda Gustafson
VOTE: Unanimous
RESULT: Motion Passed

h. Alternative to TOEFL Examination Consideration (Presentation):

Occupational English Test (OET) – Elizabeth Denton

Dr. Nolting requested practice tests [with scenarios] from OET for committee review prior to making a determination as to accept the OET [in conjunction with the TOEFL] for limited general dental licensure (LGL).

Meeting was adjourned at 11:07am



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

06/20/2025

Date