

**BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**  
Professional & Vocational Licensing Division  
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs  
State of Hawaii

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by Section 92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS").

Date: Monday, July 15, 2013

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: Mark Baird, D.D.S., Chair, Dental Member  
Rodney Ching, Public Member  
Staphe Fujimoto, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Paul Guevara, D.M.D., M.D.S., Dental Member  
Garrett Ota, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Marilyn Nonaka, R.D.H., Dental Hygiene Member  
Mark Chun, D.M.D., Dental Member  
Melanie Vallejos, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Candace Wada, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Dennis Nagata, D.D.S., Dental Member  
Stephen Levins, Esq., Deputy Attorney General  
James Kobashigawa, Executive Officer ("EO")  
Sandra Matsushima, Executive Officer  
Lisa Kalani, Secretary

Guests: Loren Liebling, Hawaii Dental Association ("HDA")  
Dr. Lilli Horton, Hawaii Dental Association ("HDA")  
Diane Brucato-Thomas, RDH, EF, BS, FAADH, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association ("HDHA")  
Gerraine Hignite, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association ("HDHA")  
Jill Rethman, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association ("HDHA")  
Samuel E. Dixon, Hawaii Association of Nurse Anesthetists ("HANA")  
Marian Grey  
Cheryl M. Nakagawa  
Ellie Miyashiro, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association ("HDHA")  
Curt Shimizu, Hawaii Dental Association ("HDA")

1. Call to Order: There being a quorum present, Chair Baird called the public hearing to order at 9:00 a.m.
  
2. Introduction of Board Members: Chair Baird introduced the Board members present at today's public hearing
  
3. Purpose: Amendments to Chapter 16-79 HAR: Chair Baird announced the purpose of today's public hearing is to hear testimony in support of, or against, the proposed changes to the Dental rules Chapter 16-79 HAR.
  
4. Notice of Public Hearing: Chair Baird read the public hearing as it was published on Sunday, June 9, 2013 in the following five newspapers: West Hawaii Today, Hawaii Tribune-Herald, Honolulu Star-Advertiser, The Garden Island and The Maui News.
  
5. Testimony: Chair Baird acknowledged the written testimony submitted from:
  - Samuel E. Dixon, Hawaii Association of Nurse Anesthetist
  - Ellie Kelley-Miyashiro, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association
  - Marian Grey
  - Cheryl M. Nakagawa
  - Loren Liebling, Hawaii Dental Association

Chair Baird called on the individual guests present and asked if they had comments or recommendations. The following individuals present, verbally supported the proposed amendments to the administrative rules:

- Marian Grey
- Cheryl M. Nakagawa
- Diane Brucato-Thomas
- Ellie Kelley-Miyashiro, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association
- Jill Rethman, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association

Chair Baird called on the individual guests present and asked if they had comments or recommendations. The following individuals present, wished to amend certain sections of the proposed amendments to the administrative rules:

- Samuel E. Dixon, Hawaii Association of Nurse Anesthetist
- Curt Shimizu, Hawaii Dental Association
- Lili Horton

6. Procedures After Hearing: Chair Baird announced to the audience that at the Board's regular meeting to follow, the Board will consider all the testimony heard and submitted and make a decision on the adoption of the rules.
7. Adjournment: Chair Baird adjourned the public hearing at 10:00 a.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Lisa Kalani  
Lisa Kalani,  
Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ James Kobashigawa  
James Kobashigawa,  
Executive Officer

JK:lk

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Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of \_\_\_\_\_.