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**AMENDED NOTICE OF BOARD MEETING**  
OF THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS’

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute (“A.R.S”) § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners (“Board”) and to the general public that the Board will hold a meeting open to the public on **Friday, December 6, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.** The meeting will be held in **Boardroom A** located at 1740 West Adams Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. One or more members of the Board may participate in the meeting by telephonic communications. Board members and members of the public may access the meeting telephonically by dialing +1 402-285-2238 followed by the meeting pin – 741 106 671# or virtually, by video conferencing through this link: [meet.google.com/dmf-pcvr-asx](https://meet.google.com/dmf-pcvr-asx). After the start of the meeting, the Board president and/or staff will request that members of the public place their phones/devices on mute.

Meetings of the Board are open to the public, and are conducted in a manner to ensure that the Board's deliberations are not disrupted. Therefore, the following statement shall be considered the only warning of proper decorum: "each person who addresses the Board must do so in an orderly manner and must not make impertinent, slanderous, threatening, abusive or profane remarks to any member of the Board, staff, licensee, complainant or general public. Any person who engages in any disorderly conduct that disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of any meeting will be removed from the current meeting and closely monitored should they decide to attend future meetings".

During the course of the meeting, the Board, upon a majority vote of a quorum of the members, may, when necessary, hold an executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) and/or (3) as indicated on the Board’s Agenda. The executive session is not open to the public.

Information concerning the Board’s Agenda, including a copy of the Agenda and any amendments, can be obtained at the Board’s office, through the Board’s website at [www.dentalboard.az.gov](http://www.dentalboard.az.gov) or by calling the Board’s office at 602.242.1492 The Agenda is subject to change up to 24 hours prior to the meeting. Agenda items are noted by number and letter for convenience and reference. The Board may address the agenda items in any order within the time frame, if any, indicated and may set over matters to a later time when necessary. The Board reserves the right to change the order of the agenda items, except for matters set for a specific time.

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## **December 6, 2024**

### **Amended Board Meeting Agenda**

The Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners’ (“Board”) President reserves the right to change the order of items on the agenda, except for public hearings set for a specific time.

During the Board meeting and upon a vote of the majority of a quorum, the Board may go into executive session to obtain legal advice from the Board’s attorney(s) pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute (“A.R.S.”) § 38-431.03(A)(3) on any agenda items listed on the agenda. All meeting attendees whose presence is not required in an executive session will be required to leave the meeting room during executive session. Any and all legal action will take place in open session.

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

#### **II. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – A.R.S. § 38-503**

Individual board members may declare specific conflicts with specific agenda items. All conflicts are notated by a signed Conflict of Interest Form declaring the member's actual or perceived conflict, including the full nature of the conflict and the signed form is retained in a special Board file.

#### **III. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Upon a vote of the majority of a quorum, the Board may go into executive session for item B pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) to discuss or consider records exempt, by law, from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law.

- A. Discussion and approval of the Open Session Minutes from the October 25, 2024 board meeting.
- B. Discussion and approval of the Executive Session Minutes from the October 25, 2024 board meeting.

#### **IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon a vote of the majority of a quorum, the Board may go into executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) to discuss or consider records exempt, by law, from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law. (All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine or have been previously reviewed by the Board or the Board’s Designee and may be considered for approval as a single action, unless a Board Member wishes to remove an item for independent review, discussion and possible action).

A. Application(s) for Licensing of Dentist(s) or Hygienist(s) – A.R.S. §§ 32-1231 et seq. and 32-1281 et. seq. respectively

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on the following applications(s) listed below. Action may include, but is not limited to, the offer of licensure subject to consent agreement or denial of the application:

1. Mickelson, J. Ryan, DDS (*by Credentials*)

B. Termination of Board Orders(s)/Consent Agreements(s)

1. 202200345; Garfield, Dean
2. 202300013; Connell, Scott
3. 202300217; Shaw, Natalie
4. 202300228; Zandieh, Hassan
5. 202300240; Garrett, Matthew
6. 202300293-AO; Lyons, Chad
7. 202300309; Anderson, Charles
8. 202300374; Du Mond, Erika

C. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Dismissal

Board to review the results of the investigation(s), discuss and take possible action on the following case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection of the recommendation and the issuance of a Letter of Concern, Non-Disciplinary Order, or the Offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement:

1. 202300262; Tagle III, Henry
2. 202300275; McKee, Andrew
3. 202300313; Bond, David
4. 202300315; Rizberg, Lily
5. 202300349; Suncoast Dental, Inc.
6. 202300365; Kener, Chester
7. 202300486; Gomez, Robert
8. 202400020; Heske, Marie
9. 202400025; Fehmi, Nabil
10. 202400138; Ayoub, George
11. 202400201; Wentz, Brandon
12. 202400222; Western Dental F 120
13. 202400224; Sabino Smiles Dentistry
14. 202400230; Mencini, Alyssa
15. 202400245; Arthurs, Jason
16. 202400246; Costes, Mark
17. 202400247; Charon, David
18. 202400249; Berger, Lior
19. 202400250; Spader, Earl
20. 202400259; Seiler, Truman IV
21. 202400260; Lewis, Maria
22. 202400266; Maslovich, Emily
23. 202400268; Lucero, Matthew
24. 202400269; Espinoza, Mark
25. 202400278; Klein, Daniel
26. 202400290; Garrett, Phillip
27. 202400295; Miramonte Dental Group
28. 202400301; Shah, Nishith

29. 202400302; Pema, Rakesh
30. 202400304; Ambridge, Marina
31. 202400308; Fountain, Kiley
32. 202400318; Ziadat, Feras
33. 202400338; Waters, Caitlin
34. 202400369; Mabry, Todd

**D. Review of Investigation(s)– Case(s) Recommended for a Letter of Concern**

Board to review the results of the investigation(s), discuss and take possible action to issue Letters of Concern on the following case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection of the recommendation and Dismissal of the matter, issuance of a Non-Disciplinary Order, or the offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement.

1. 202400053-AO; Jensen, Trevor
2. 202400207; Tam, Dominic
3. 202400210; Roe, Phillip
4. 202400232; Wall, Gary
5. 202400265; Green, Danielle
6. 202400291; Jatoi, Harris

**V. ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

Upon a vote of the majority of a quorum, the Board may go into executive session, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) to discuss or consider records exempt, by law, from public inspection, including the receipt and discussion of information or testimony that is specifically required to be maintained as confidential by state or federal law.

**A. Request for License Status Change**

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on licensee’s request for a license status change. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection or modification of the request and/or any other action allowed by Board statute and rule:

1. Schaefer, Adam Michael, DMD

**B. Initial Review**

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on information received to determine whether cause exists to open an investigation file and/or take non-disciplinary/disciplinary action.

1. 202400456
2. B.M.
3. J.W.

**C. Review of Investigation(s)**

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on the following case(s):

1. 202200348; Thomas, Michael

**D. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for Issuance of a Non-Disciplinary Order for Continuing Education – A.R.S. § 32-1263.02(F)(3)**

Board to review the results of the investigation(s), discuss and take possible action to issue/offer Non-Disciplinary Board Order(s) on the case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection of the recommendation, Dismissal of the matter, offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement and/or any other action allowed by Board statute and rule:

1. 202400027; Dotson, Angela (*tabled from 10/25/24 meeting*)
2. 202400061; Gulati, Ashwin
3. 202400174; Nguyen, Tiffany
4. 202400186; Van Sluyters, Eric
5. 202400277; Hahn, Christopher
6. 202400431; Pradhan, Rajas

E. Review of Investigation(s) – Case(s) Recommended for an Offer of a Disciplinary Consent Agreement

Board to review the results of the investigation(s), discuss and take possible action to offer Disciplinary Consent Agreement(s)/Board Order(s) on the case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, rejection of the recommendation, Dismissal of the matter, issuance of Non-Disciplinary Board Order(s) and/or any other action allowed by Board statute and rule:

1. 202400085; Brittain, Bradley
2. 202400110; Jones, Neal
3. 202400112; Pandya, Aditya
4. 202400131; Sinnard, Mark
5. 202400132; Surprise Modern Dentistry
6. 202400177; Joh, Shung
7. 202400178; Garber, Stuart
8. 202400189; Smith, Nathan
9. 202400192; Lawson, Kyras
10. 202400194; Dental Care on Watson
11. 202400197; Cooke, Phillip
12. 202400216; Taylor, Timothy
13. 202400228; Baker, Brigham
14. 202400237; Yasso, Ann
15. 202400244; Huynh, Richard
16. 202400404; Scott, Robin
17. 202400405; Lybbert, Brady
18. 202400407; Butara, Caesar
19. 202400432; Memon, Rabia

F. Response/Non-response to Offered/Issued Consent Agreement(s)/Board Order(s)

Board to review, discuss and take possible action regarding any response/non-response and/or counteroffer on the following case(s):

1. 202300233; Nester, Fredrick (*carried over from 10/25/24 meeting*)

G. Informal Settlement Conference(s) - 8:30am

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on the following cases scheduled for Informal Settlement Conference. During the Informal Settlement Conference, the Board may go into executive session to discuss confidential records pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2) or to discuss or consult with its attorneys in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding settlement discussions to resolve litigation pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(4).

1. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.06, Informal Settlement Conference in Case No. 202300482; Janisse, Robert, as it relates to Case No. 24F-202300482-DEN; discussion, consideration and possible action on matters relating to the Informal Settlement Conference.

H. Review of Investigation(s) - Unauthorized Practice - A.R.S. § 32-3227

Board to review, discuss, and take possible action to issue a Cease and Desist Order(s) and/or refer the matter to the Arizona Attorney General's Office for prosecution on the case(s) listed below. Action may also include, but is not limited to, Dismissal, Remand to investigation and/or any other action allowed by Board statute and/or rule:

1. 202400273; Ochoa, Gisela (*carried over from 10/25/24 meeting*)

I. Review of Compliance/Non Compliance with Consent Agreement(s)/Board Order(s)

Review, discussion and possible action regarding compliance with Consent Agreement(s)/Board Order(s), and/or consideration of licensee's request for extension, termination, or amendment of the terms of the Order, on the following case(s) listed below. Board may also take further action as allowed by law related to the compliance review or licensee request.

1. 202200263; Miller, Abraham
2. 202200330; Svoboda, Christina (*carried over from 10/25/24 meeting*)
3. 202300427 & 202400022; Arora, Manu (*Morrow conflicted*)

J. Failure to Respond/Timely Respond to Subpoena – A.R.S. § 32-1208

Board to review, discuss and take possible action for failure to comply with a Board subpoena, pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1208, in the following case(s). Action may include the issuance of a non-disciplinary order or any other action allowed by statute and rule:

1. 202400375; Griffiths, Brian (*carried over from 10/25/24 meeting*)

**VI. ARIZONA EXPANDED FUNCTION DENTAL ASSISTANT (“EFDA”) CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS**

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on the EFDA clinical requirements for certification. Action may include, but is not limited to, reaffirming the Board's position and/or receiving new guidance and amending the Board's current position.

**VII. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H), the Board may make an open call to the public during a public meeting, subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, to allow individuals to address the public body on any issue within the jurisdiction of the public body. However, members of the Board are not allowed to discuss or take legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. The Board, however, may ask staff to review a matter or may ask that a matter be put on a future agenda.

**VIII. ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL (“AAG”) REPORT**

AAG to provide an update and/or summary on the following item(s): 202000111, 202300346, 202300444, 202300482. The listed items are subject to Board review and discussion.

**IX. DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AFFAIRS' ("VA") DENTAL HYGIENIST NATIONAL STANDARD OF PRACTICE**

Board to review, discuss and take possible action on the VA's proposed national standard of practice for Dental Hygienist for VA employees. Action may include, but is not limited to, directing staff to submit comment(s) to the VA during the public comment period.

**X. REVIEW OF CURRENT LICENSING FEE STRUCTURES UNDER A.R.S. §§ 32-1236, -1276.02, -1287, -1297.06 AND A.A.C. R4-11-403", INCLUDING STATUTORY CHANGES EFFECTING LICENSING FEE MATTERS**

Review and discussion of licensing fees pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 32-1236, 32-1276.02, 32-1287, 32-1297.06 and A.A.C. R4-11-403. The review may include discussions of HB2897 and HB2910 and the bills' monetary and fiscal effects on the Board's ability to continue operations. Additionally, the review may include discussion and possible action to implement the increased fee structure listed in A.A.C. R4-11-403.

**XI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director to provide an update and/or summary on the following items: the listed items are subject to Board review, discussion and may result in action by the Board.

A. Budget Update

B. Agency Operations

1. Review and Possible Adoption of Internal Revised Guidelines for Adjudicating Complaints

C. Complaint Log

**XII. RESTRICTED PERMIT PROCESS UNDER A.R.S. §§ 32-1201; -1231; -1237; -1238; AND -1239, INCLUDING STATUTORY CHANGES**

Board to review, discuss and take possible action related to the statutory and rules changes pursuant to SB 1159 regarding the procedures for processing, approving, and issuing restricted permits. Action may include, but is not limited to, directing staff to create a process for the approval and issuance of restricted permits, and/or seek a statutory package to address any inconsistencies between the statutes and the rules.

**XIII. REQUEST TO ADD QUESTIONS TO LICENSURE APPLICATIONS RELATED TO ORGAN DONOR INFORMATION AND HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SHORTAGE AREAS**

A. Board to review, discuss, and take possible action on the request to place a question on the Board's applications for licensure/certification related to the Donor Network of Arizona and the ability to become an organ donor. Action may include directing staff to include the question on the Board's applications.

B. Board to review, discuss, and take possible action on the request to place a question on the Board's applications for licensure/certification related to an applicant's interest in practicing in a health professional shortage area (HPSA). Action may include directing staff to include the question on the Board's applications.

**XIV. BOARD LICENSING DATABASE SOLUTION(S)**

Board to review, discuss, and take possible action regarding its current database vendor, including discussion of potential future changes and/or cost increases for FY2025 and 2026. Action may include, but is not limited to, directing staff to continue product renewal discussions, and/or review of potential future alternatives.

**XV. BOARD ELECTIONS – A.R.S. § 32-1205**

Board to review, discuss and take possible action to nominate and elect a Board President and Vice-President for calendar year 2025

A. Nomination and Election of Board President

B. Nomination and Election of Board Vice-President

**XVI. ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE**

Board to review and discuss any potential assistance and/or advice offered, including in person offerings, related to the regulation of any of the Board’s regulated communities. The Board may review, discuss and take possible action regarding the assistance or advice offered, which may include documents received prior to, or during the Board’s meeting.

**XVII. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

By law, the summary of current events is limited to summarizing recent occurrences. The Board cannot propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action on any matter in the summary unless the specific matter is properly noticed for legal action.

**XVIII. DISCUSSION REGARDING FUTURE MEETINGS AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS**

**XIX. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE**

A. January 24, 2025

**XX. ADJOURNMENT**