

# NORTH DAKOTA BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS

## Minutes

### SPECIAL MEETING

November 2, 2021 | 6:30 PM CDT

Via Teleconference

- 1. Call to Order and roll call:** Dr. Fallgatter called the teleconference meeting to order at 6:30 PM CDT. The ND Board of Dental Examiners convened for the purpose of discussion of a 10/30/2021 Fargo Forum news publication naming a ND dental licensee and further discussion of the Administrative Rules draft.

#### **Board Members and Administrative Staff Attendance**

Alison Fallgatter, DDS, President	Gregory Evanoff, DDS
Tim Mehlhoff, CPA, President-Elect	Otto Dohm, DDS, MS
Bev Marsh, RDH, Secretary Treasurer	Marcus Tanabe, DDS, OMFS
Michael Keim, DDS	Andrea Carlson, RDA
David Schaibley, Assistant Attorney General	
Rita Sommers, RDH, MBA, Executive Director	

#### **2. Complaints:**

A. Fargo Moorhead Dental & Dentures: The purpose of the meeting was to address a recent article regarding Fargo Moorhead Dental & Dentures (FMDD) posted by the Fargo Forum ([https://epaper.inforum.com/infinity/article\\_popover\\_share.aspx?guid=44627e64-89da-485e-8c75-1e1c86479440](https://epaper.inforum.com/infinity/article_popover_share.aspx?guid=44627e64-89da-485e-8c75-1e1c86479440)). Dr. Fallgatter requested the Complaint Committee conduct an investigation regarding the information provided by the Fargo Forum. Dr. Fallgatter requested the investigation include all involved parties, any patients involved and requesting a list of all dentists, registered dental hygienists and registered dental assistants who have been employed by FMDD for the previous three years. Information may come from the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division to explore all aspects of the allegations and address a letter of inquiry to the licensed dentist mentioned in the article, Dr. Robert Bates. Dr. Evanoff recommended the Board reconvene in person at a later date via Zoom to further discuss the matter. Mr. Schaibley will prepare a draft letter for Dr. Evanoff to complete. Mr. Schaibley will also review and obtain documents from the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division.

**3. Administrative Rules draft:** The members of the Board will review a new draft incorporating various additions and matters proposed and prepare to address further the amendments to the draft at the December 4, 2021 meeting.

**4. Adjournment:** Hearing no objection Dr. Fallgatter moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Mehlhoff. Hearing no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 PM. The next meeting will be Saturday, December 4, 2021, 12 PM Central Time, in Bismarck at the office of Brady Martz & Associates in Bismarck. The meeting will have Zoom capability.

Submitted by:

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Rita Sommers, RDH, MBA, Executive Director

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Bev Marsh, RDH, Secretary-Treasurer