

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY
HELD AT ITS BOARD OFFICE
LOCATED AT
ONE CANAL PLACE-SUITE 2680-365 CANAL STREET
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70130
BEGINNING AT 11:00 A.M. ON
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2009**

The annual meeting of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry was held on Saturday, December 12, 2009, at the offices of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry located at One Canal Place, Suite 2680, 365 Canal Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70130. The meeting was held pursuant to public notice, each member received notice, and notice was properly posted. The meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m. by Dr. Lynn J. Philippe, President.

At the request of Dr. Philippe, a roll call was taken. Dr. Philippe stated that a quorum of the Board was present.

PRESENT WERE:

Dr. Lynn Philippe, President
Dr. Charles McCabe, Vice-President
Dr. Romell Madison, Secretary-Treasurer
Dr. H.O. Blackwood, Member
Mrs. Christine Guillaume, R.D.H., Member
Dr. Wilton Guillory, Member
Dr. Marija LaSalle, Member
Dr. Samuel Trinca, Member
Dr. Dean Manning, Member
Dr. Frank Martello, Member
Dr. David Melancon, Member
Dr. John Taylor, Member
Dr. James Moreau, Member
Dr. Conrad McVea, III

ALSO PRESENT BY BOARD INVITATION WERE:

C. Barry Ogden, Executive Director
Brian Begue, Board Counsel
Erin Conner, Board Staff

Diana Chenevert, Board Staff

Linda Foto, Director of Licensing

John Roth, Board Staff

Camp Morrison

Ellen Harris

Dennis Blunt, Esq.

Brad Mittendorf

Suzanne Farrar, R.D.H., LSUSD, LDHA

Dr. Gregory Folse

Carrie Mason, R.D.H., LSUSD

John C. Saunders, Esq.

Ward Blackwell, Executive Director, LDA

R. Holder

Julia Solooki, Oral Health Enrichment

Dr. Philippe opened the meeting by welcoming all guests and asked them to introduce themselves. He then stated that this was the last meeting of the year, and he expressed his gratitude to the board members, especially Dr. Romell Madison for conducting two extra emergency meetings of the Rulemaking Committee, the office staff, and the attendees who have been working on the mobile dentistry regulations over the past seven months.

At this point, Dr. Philippe asked if there were any public comment. Mr. Ward Blackwell, Executive Director of the Louisiana Dental Association (LDA), stated that their association would be providing comments in writing to the board in short order. Mr. Blackwell expressed the dental association's appreciation for the work performed by the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry regarding mobile dentistry, but that it still had concerns over parental involvement and wording needed to be improved. He stated that the parent should be present for at least one visit. Mr. Blackwell thought that another concern was the relaxation of general supervision regulations for dental hygienists working in Federally Qualified Healthcare Centers (FQHC). He stated that an FQHC is not the same as a hospital or a dental school, and should have the same restrictions as other dentists in the state in order to promote fairness.

At this point, it was decided to amend the agenda by unanimous decision to take up Agenda item 11 (ii) "Review of Notices of Intent published in the *Louisiana Register* on October 20, 2009." As this related to the mobile dentistry issue, it was decided that in the interests of

efficiency that discussion of those regulations should take place at this moment. Dr. McCabe made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Blackwood that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby amends its agenda to discuss revisions to LAC 46:XXXIII.313.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

At this point, Dr. Gregory Folsie addressed the board stating that Section G (6) created many difficulties in contacting the parents of Medicaid eligible children. He stated that out of a random sampling, they were only able to contact 59 out of 100 parents, meaning that they missed 41 telephone contacts. Dr. Folsie said that this was the part of the population which needed their services the most. He asked that G (6) be eliminated because of the barriers it creates.

Mr. Randall Johnson, representing the FQHCs, stated that they provide good dental care and that Section G (6) should be revised. He felt that all practitioners should be held to the same standard as mobile practitioners.

Mr. Dennis Blunt, attorney at law, discussed his several suggested revisions to Rule 313. His first suggestion was that FQHCs be included in several places throughout the entire rule, beginning with being capable of applying for a mobile operator permit. He added language to Section E (8) which was rejected by the board. However, the board did decide to amend that section to read:

Although the operator and operation is responsible for providing emergency follow-up care, the operator or operation must certify and provide the dental board a copy of a written agreement for emergency follow-up care for patients treated at said locations and the agreement is to include identification of and arrangements for treatment in a dental facility which is permanently established within 25 miles of the treatment site. When the operator has demonstrated no emergency facility is available within the area, the board may grant a distance waiver of this rule to promote and foster access to dental care.

Mr. Blunt also added suggested changes to Section J (1) which was rejected. Mr. Blunt's suggested change to J (2) was amended to read as follows:

The operator shall provide notice to the board no later than 24 hours before providing dental services at a school. Said notice shall disclose the date, time, identity of all dental health care providers and the location. If the location is a school, the operator shall **notify the principal of the school in writing before services are commenced that the dental team is required by law to** ~~have an agreement with said school to~~ allow board inspectors on campus in order to conduct unannounced inspections. **That notification letter will include the principal's name and phone number and a copy of it will be sent to the board prior to commencing services at any given school.**

Mr. Ogden then stated that the board had received correspondence from the following persons and/or entities asking that Section G (6) be rescinded. Those are Rhonda H. Litt,

Executive Director, Louisiana Primary Care Association, Inc.; Secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, Alan Levine; Linda Matessino, RN, MPH, Executive Director, Innis Community Health Center, Inc.; Michael A. Andry, Chief Executive Officer, EXCELth, Inc.; Lynn Buggage, President, Louisiana Assembly on School-Based Health Care; Rose Forrest, CEO of Capitol City Family Health Center in Baton Rouge. He had also received correspondence from Sidney G. Becnel, R.S., Legislative Liaison and Rulemaking Manager, Center for Environmental Health Services, Office of Public Health, Department of Health and Hospitals, explaining problems with the plumbing code and dentists utilizing water systems in schools. Mr. Ogden stated that he had written Mr. Becnel advising him that it was his understanding most of the mobile operations were self-contained and did not use potable water from the school's system. Mr. Ogden asked Mr. Becnel for any further comments he would have on the utilization of self-contained mobile dental units.

The board then debated the issue of Section G (6) at which point, Dr. McCabe made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry, having considered all comments regarding Section G (6) of LAC 46:XXXIII.313, hereby elects to remove this requirement.

Voting for the resolution were Drs. Melancon, Moreau, Blackwood, McCabe, Manning, Martello, Trinca, LaSalle, and Mrs. Guillaume. Voting against the motion were Drs. McVea, Madison, and Taylor. Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

At this point, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Moreau that the emergency follow-up care section shall be changed as revised earlier. After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

At this point, Dr. Moreau made the motion which was seconded by Dr. McCabe that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry, having considered all the comments regarding the inclusion of Federally Qualified Healthcare Centers as mobile operators should be denied, and that FQHCs are not eligible to receive mobile permits.

All but Mrs. Guillaume voted in the affirmative. Mrs. Guillaume abstained. Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

At this point, having discussed the mobile dentistry issue for two hours, Dr. Guillory made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Trinca to amend the agenda to take up Agenda item number 9, **Legislative Committee**. All voted in the affirmative.

Mr. John C. Saunders, attorney at law then addressed the board regarding his client's request to relax the requirements of R.S. 37:774, 775, and LAC 46:XXXIII.313 requiring the names of all practitioners in a dental practice to be included in radio advertising. Mr. Saunders noted that the medium of radio simply did not permit his client to list the names of all dentists working with his dental corporation. After much discussion, the board elected to take no action on Mr. Saunders's request.

At this point, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Moreau that it be:

RESOLVED, that the minutes, as circulated, and as amended today, of the Special Board meeting of August 14, 2009 in New Orleans, Louisiana, are hereby adopted, ratified and approved as amended.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Next, Dr. Blackwood made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, that the acts and decisions taken by the President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer and Executive Director in the general conduct and transactions of Board business since August 14, 2009, be and they are hereby approved, adopted, and ratified in full by the board.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Philippe then referred to Agenda item 6 **Licensing and Credentials Committee**, Dr. H.O. Blackwood, Chairman. Dr. Blackwood stated that his committee had the following resolutions for the board's consideration. At this point, Dr. Blackwood made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Trinca that it be:

RESOLVED, having considered the application for licensure by credentials in the State of Louisiana by the persons named below, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves said application and awards said named persons, their requested license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene in the State of Louisiana, granting them all the privileges, duties, and responsibilities associated therewith.

Benjamin Burris, D.D.S.
Brian Chang, D.D.S.
Vikkie Prevost, R.D.H.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Next, Dr. Blackwood made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Trinca that it be:

RESOLVED, having considered the application for licensure by credentials in the State of Louisiana by the person named below, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves said application and awards said named person, his requested license to practice dentistry in the State of Louisiana, granting him all the privileges, duties, and responsibilities associated therewith, upon receipt of his dean's sealed signature on his application.

David Vieth, D.D.S.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Next, Dr. Blackwood made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Trinca that it be:

RESOLVED, having considered the application for licensure by credentials in the State of Louisiana by the person named below, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves said application and awards said named person, her requested license to practice dental hygiene in the State of Louisiana, granting her all the privileges, duties, and responsibilities associated therewith subject to receipt of confirmation of two letters of recommendation.

Gwendolyn Battiste, R.D.H.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

At this point, Dr. Blackwood made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Trinca that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry go into Executive Session to discuss the request for licensure by credentials from Dr. Joe Greer.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Upon returning from Executive Session, Dr. Blackwood made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Trinca that it be:

RESOLVED, having considered the application for licensure by credentials in the State of Louisiana by Dr. Joe Greer, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby declines said application.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Blackwood then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Martello that it be:

RESOLVED, that under the authority of R.S. 37:760 (A)(12), the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves the issuance of restricted dental licenses to the following persons:

ISSUE DATE	NAME	SCHOOL
12/10/2009	Dr. Alex Erlich	LSU School of Dentistry
12/01/2009	Dr. Aaron Cohenour	LSU Medical Center – Shreveport
12/01/2009	Dr. David Raper	LSU Medical Center – Shreveport
12/01/2009	Dr. Amy Brown	LSU Medical Center – Shreveport
12/01/2009	Dr. Craig Vinall	LSU Medical Center – Shreveport
12/01/2009	Dr. Jonathan Schulze	LSU Medical Center – Shreveport
10/07/2009	Dr. Hardik Kapadia	LSU School of Dentistry
09/15/2009	Dr. Pooja Maney	LSU School of Dentistry
08/14/2009	Dr. John Tripp	LSU School of Dentistry

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Blackwood then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Martello that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby instructs and authorizes its staff to issue mobile dental permits provided that all required information on the applications is complete and correct, without review by the Licensing and Credentials Committee.

All but Dr. Moreau voted in the affirmative. Dr. Philippe then declared the motion passed.

Mrs. Linda Foto then updated the board on the progress being made with PBIS to perform background checks on applicants for licensure by credentials.

Dr. Philippe then referred to Agenda item 7, **Office Management Committee**, Dr. Samuel Trinca, Chairman. Dr. Trinca asked Mr. Ogden to discuss the compiled financial statements as of September 30, 2009.

Mr. Ogden advised the board that legal fees had increased dramatically due to the many formal adjudications and litigation which was ongoing. No action was taken on the statement.

Discussion regarding the Rewards and Recognition Policy was deferred until after Executive Session as this involved discussion of employees.

Dr. Philippe then referred to Agenda item 8, **Examination Committee**, Dr. Samuel Trinca, Chairman. Dr. Trinca reported that CITA was again improving its licensing examination and related that some students from LSU were taking other regional examinations because they were not satisfied with the passing rate of the CITA examination. It was noted that there was a large amount of failures on the prosthodontics section of the licensing examination. However, it is the same examination administered to other states and that students from the University of Mississippi fared far better than those from LSUSD.

Discussion then ensued on other matters regarding the CITA examination. Apparently, several rumors had been circulating which were untrue. Part of the discussion involved the acceptance of all regional licensing examinations. It was determined that the rules which will come into effect on January 20, 2010, will allow the board to cease accepting scores from regional licensing examination agencies which do not allow the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry representation on the examination review/construction committee and/or the board of directors of said regional licensing examination agency. It is also noted that the new rules will

require that, in addition to the restorative portion on a live patient, that there must also be a live patient component to the periodontal section of the examination.

Discussion then ensued on the issue of academic misconduct. Dr. Trinca advised the board that in light of the two students who were fraudulently admitted to LSUSD, the board needs to look at this matter in further detail in the future. He also noted that the American Association of Dental Examiners, now the Association of Dental Boards, had passed a resolution that boards amend their regulations to deny licensure to applicants who have exhibited academic misconduct in dental school. No action was taken on this matter at this time.

Dr. Trinca stated that due to time limitations, he could not show pictures of the failures from the last examination but would do so at the March 5, 2010 meeting.

Dr. Dean Manning then reported on the meeting held by the American Association of Dental Examiners, now named American Association of Dental Boards, held in Hawaii. He explained what happened throughout the meeting and complimented Mr. Ogden on his writing, directing, and producing "What Did I Do?" for the attorneys' presentation to the General Assembly. He stated that it was the best portion of the entire meeting.

Dr. Philippe then referred to Agenda item 9, **Legislative Committee**. Having already heard from Mr. John Saunders, discussion then ensued on the possible legislation which the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry could present in the Regular Session of 2010. Mr. Ogden advised the board that after his meeting with the Governmental Affairs Committee of the LDA, he was advised that the LDA was in favor of the board amending the definition of "dentistry" to mean any procedure incident to teeth bleaching. However, the LDA was not supportive of the board's suggestion to amend the DPA so as to avoid possible discharge of costs in bankruptcy. Further, the LDA was not supportive of the board being exempted from the requirements of R.S. 49:961 (C) hearings. Mr. Ogden stated that it might be better to avoid any legislation in 2010 due to the high volatility of the last session. The board decided to take no action on any legislation at this time.

At this point, Dr. Philippe referred to the **Anesthesia Committee**, Dr. Charles McCabe, Jr., Chairman. Dr. McCabe stated that there were some functions which could be performed by board staff which did not need to go before the committee. Those functions are mainly perfunctory. At this point, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. McCabe that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby instructs and authorizes its staff to renew nitrous oxide personal permits automatically with license renewals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all new licensees who have graduated from the Louisiana State University School of Dentistry who have been identified by the school as having completed the requirements to administer nitrous oxide be granted a permit to do so without the necessity of review by the anesthesia committee.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Next, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Moreau that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby instructs and authorizes its staff to issue nitrous oxide office permits without the necessity of review by the anesthesia committee provided that the dentist is simply changing office locations and it is not the dentist's first permit.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Philippe then referred to Agenda item 11, **Rulemaking Committee**. As all discussion regarding LAC 46:XXXIII.313 had taken place earlier in the meeting, Dr. Philippe returned to the other Notices of Intent which were first published in the October 20, 2009 edition of the *Louisiana Register*. After discussion of all the amendments, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Guillory that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby substitutes the word "may" for the word "shall" in LAC 46:XXXIII.1713 (A), and to delete the phrase "be substantially equivalent to the clinical licensure examination most recently administered by the board and" from Section B (1) of this rule.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Discussion then ensued regarding revisions to LAC 46:XXXIII.124, .502, and .701. After which, Dr. Taylor made the motion which was seconded by Dr. McCabe that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes, empowers and instructs the President, Executive Director, Counsel, and Rulemaking Committee to commence and finalize rule changes only to LAC 46:XXXIII.124 as approved and attached hereto.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Discussion then ensued on the October 20, 2009 Notice of Intent regarding LAC 46:XXXIII.701 "Authorized Duties" of dental hygienists. Mr. Blackwell related that the LDA House of Delegates had voted overwhelmingly not to relax the general supervision restrictions

regarding dental hygienists at FQHCs. After some discussion, no action was taken at this time, but the board will return to this issue at its March 5, 2010 meeting after it learns more about the operations of FQHCs.

Dr. Philippe then referred to Agenda item 12, **Continuing Education Committee**, Dr. Charles McCabe, Jr., Chairman. Dr. McCabe brought the board's attention to LAC 46:XXXIII.1611 (J) which requires recertification for all forms of anesthesia except nitrous oxide to be taken by all licensees possessing those permits. The board instructed Mr. Ogden to send notice to all persons possessing such anesthesia permits to begin taking refresher courses in those modalities and that the board would begin auditing for this in the near future.

The board then reviewed the survey from the American Academy of General Dentistry and instructed Mr. Ogden how to answer same.

The board then reviewed the correspondence from "Advanced Life Support for Dentistry." No action was taken on that matter.

Dr. Philippe then referred to Agenda item 13, **Nominating Committee**, Dr. H.O. Blackwood, Chairman. Dr. Blackwood related that his committee had discussed the issue and then he made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Trinca that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry does hereby authorize, confirm, and ratify the signature of any of the officers elected this day and enlisted herein on all accounts of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry.

President Dr. Charles McCabe, Jr.

Vice president Dr. Romell Madison

Secretary-Treasurer Dr. David Melancon

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

At this point, the officers were inducted.

Dr. Philippe then referred to Agenda item 14, **New business and any other business which may properly come before the board.**

At this point, Dr. Madison made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Guillory that it be:

RESOLVED, that the action of the President in entering into a resolution in the matter involving John B. Ragusa, D.D.S., via First Amendment to Consent Decree by and between the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry and John B. Ragusa, D.D.S. (as per copy of First Amendment to Agreement Containing Consent Decree which is attached hereto and made a part hereof), be adopted, confirmed, and ratified by this Board; and further that all acts of the President,

Board members, and Executive Director in the furtherance of this purpose are hereby ratified.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Madison then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Guillory that it be:

RESOLVED, that the action of the President in entering into a resolution in the matter involving James R. Bush, Jr., D.D.S., via Consent Decree by and between the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry and James R. Bush, Jr., D.D.S. (as per copy of Agreement Containing Consent Decree which is attached hereto and made a part hereof), be adopted, confirmed, and ratified by this Board; and further that all acts of the President, Board members, and Executive Director in the furtherance of this purpose are hereby ratified.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Madison then made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Guillory that it be:

RESOLVED, that the action of the President in entering into a resolution in the matter involving Kimberly Ann Meng, D.D.S., via Consent Decree by and between the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry and Kimberly Ann Meng, D.D.S. (as per copy of Agreement Containing Consent Decree which is attached hereto and made a part hereof), be adopted, confirmed, and ratified by this Board; and further that all acts of the President, Board members, and Executive Director in the furtherance of this purpose are hereby ratified.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

At this point, representatives of Oral Health Enrichment (OHE) made a presentation to the board. OHE provides evaluation and remedial services for dental boards throughout the country. Their entire process was explained to the board and the board members were satisfied that OHE would be an excellent tool in remediation efforts.

Next, Dr. Blackwood addressed the board regarding physicians applying fluoride in their offices to Medicaid eligible children. He noted that presently 40 out of the 50 states are allowing this to be performed. After some discussion, Dr. Blackwood made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Martello that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry has discussed the issue of access to dental care in physicians' offices and hereby expresses no objection to physicians applying FDA approved fluoride varnish treatment to patients with the understanding that this is limited only to state hospitals and clinics.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Discussion then ensued regarding the anticipated move to Benson Tower. All board members expressed their preference to stay at its present location and felt that moving the board

office would be unfair to the dentists and dental hygienists of this state as it would necessitate a renewal fee increase in the near future.

The board members then discussed their daily allowance for meals while traveling. The board had already set a limit of \$110.00 per day for quite some time. They formerly held a limit to \$20.00 for breakfast, \$25.00 for lunch, and \$65.00 for dinner. The board felt that there was no need to delineate between the three meals and decided that a flat rate of \$110.00 per day may be expended on food allowances without the trifurcation of the limits. It was completely understood by all board members that no alcohol will be reimbursed by the board.

Next, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Melancon that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves and ratifies the contract entered into by the board president with Sharp and Company.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Next, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Melancon that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves and ratifies the contract entered into by the board president with MiraComp Technologies, Inc.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Next, Dr. Guillory made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Trinca that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves and ratifies the contract entered into by the board president with Continuum Technology Services, LLC.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Next, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Blackwood that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves and ratifies the contract entered into by the board president with Arthur Hickham, Jr., LLC.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Next, Dr. Melancon made the motion which was seconded by Dr. McVea that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby approves and ratifies the contract entered into by the board president with Celia Cangelosi, Esq.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

The board then reviewed the Peer Review Report from the LDA and was satisfied.

Dr. Martello made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Blackwood that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing investigations, adjudications, litigations, and professional competency of individuals and staff; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry may discuss litigation in Executive Session when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining and litigating position of the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Upon returning from Executive Session, Dr. Trinca made the motion which was seconded by Dr. McVea that it be:

RESOLVED, the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry under the authority of its Rewards and Recognition policy regarding classified employees hereby awards 10% of their annual salary to the classified employees of the board effective December 1, 2009.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Trinca then made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the July 14, 2009 investigative evaluation held in New Orleans, Louisiana.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Trinca then made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the August 13, 2009 Rulemaking Committee meeting held in New Orleans, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized and directed to pay up to two additional travel days in per diem to Board members requiring same in connection with their attendance at said meeting.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Trinca then made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the August 14, 2009 Board meeting and hearings held in New Orleans, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized and directed to pay up to two additional travel days in per diem to Board members requiring same in connection with their attendance at said meeting.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Trinca then made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the Council of Interstate Testing Agencies annual meeting September 11-12, 2009 held in Biloxi, Mississippi.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized and directed to pay up to two additional travel days in per diem and authorized expenses to Board members requiring same in connection with their attendance at said meeting.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Trinca then made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the American Association of Dental Examiner's meeting September 30 – October 1, 2009 held in Honolulu, Hawaii.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized and directed to pay up to two additional travel days in per diem and authorized expenses to Board members requiring same in connection with their attendance at said meeting.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Trinca then made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the Council of Interstate Testing Agencies committee meeting October 22-23, 2009 held in Atlanta, Georgia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary-Treasurer is authorized and directed to pay up to two additional travel days in per diem and authorized expenses to Board members requiring same in connection with their attendance at said meeting.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Trinca then made the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Guillaume that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby authorizes and directs its Secretary-Treasurer to pay all per diem and authorized expenses to those Board members in connection with the R.S. 49:961 (C) hearing on November 13, 2009 held in New Orleans, Louisiana.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

At this point, Dr. Martello made the motion which was seconded by Dr. Moreau that it be:

RESOLVED, that the Louisiana State Board of Dentistry hereby adjourns its meeting of December 12, 2009.

After the board voted unanimously in the affirmative, Dr. Philippe declared the motion passed.

Dr. Philippe then adjourned the meeting at 4:50 PM.

David Melancon, D.D.S.
Secretary/Treasurer
Louisiana State Board of Dentistry