



EDUCATION AND OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Evergreen Hearing Room
2005 Evergreen Street, 1st Floor
Sacramento, CA 95815
Friday, December 6, 2013**

EDU 1 – Roll Call

Sherrie-Ann Gordon, Chair of the Education and Outreach Subcommittee, called the meeting to order at 11:26 a.m. with a roll call. With three (3) of the four (4) members present, a quorum was established.

Education and Outreach Subcommittee members present:

Sherrie-Ann Gordon, Chair, Public Member
Timothy Martinez, DMD
Evangeline Ward, RDH

Education and Outreach Subcommittee members absent:

Susan Good, Public Member

EDU 2 – Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

There was no public comment for items not on the agenda.

EDU 3 – Chairperson's Report

There was no chairperson's report for this subcommittee.

EDU 4 – Review and Consideration of Changing the Nomenclature and Function of the Education and Outreach Subcommittee: Chapter 5 of the DHCC Member Guidelines and Procedure Manual

Traci Napper, DHCC program analyst, informed the subcommittee members that the DHCC staff is recommending a change to the name and function of the Education and Outreach Subcommittee to the Education Subcommittee. She noted that the Education and Outreach Subcommittee was created to provide current educational, licensure, and consumer information to the public and DHCC licensees.

Ms. Napper explained that it was anticipated that this information would be disseminated primarily at outreach events in the State; however, for the past several years, the DHCC has attempted to attend these events, but was limited due to the travel restrictions in place.

Ms. Napper also informed the subcommittee members that effective January 1, 2013, Senate Bill (SB) 1202 (Leno and Wayland) strengthened the DHCC's authority to grant, renew, or deny approval of all dental hygiene educational programs. Since the DHCC will be overseeing all dental hygiene education programs, staff believed it was necessary to reorganize the subcommittee's responsibilities to address this additional workload.

Some of the subcommittee new responsibilities will include:

- Determining the need for a new educational program by evaluating and reviewing feasibility studies and make a recommendation to the full Committee;
- Make recommendations for approval, provisional approval, or denial of any **new** educational program request;
- Make recommendations for renewal, denial, or revocation of an **existing** educational program;
- Make recommendations to withdraw or revoke a dental hygiene program's approval if the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) has indicated an **intent-to-withdraw** approval or has **withdrawn approval**; and
- Promulgate regulations for educational programs.

Ms. Napper added that Ms. Hubble will report to the DHCC any outreach performed by DHCC staff.

- **Motion: Evangeline Ward moved that a recommendation be made to the DHCC to change the name of the Education and Outreach Committee to the Education Subcommittee and to state that the purpose of the Education Subcommittee is to provide recommendations to the full committee on granting, renewing, and withdrawing approval of educational programs for registered dental hygienists, registered hygienists in extended functions, and registered dental hygienist in alternative practice and provide recommendations to the full committee regarding approval of a feasibility study for new educational programs. The subcommittee may also provide information and recommendations on issues relating to the curriculum and school approval.**

Timothy Martinez seconded the motion.

Vote: The motion passed 3-0 (Susan Good was absent for the vote).

EDU 5 – Website Statistics

Ms. Napper directed members to a chart in the meeting materials that provided information about the number of DHCC website hits from January 1, 2013 to November 14, 2013. She noted that the first page showed just the hits for the DHCC homepage. The second handout provided information concerning the number of hits to other portions of the DHCC website (licensees renewals, forms and publications, license verifications, and how to become licensed).

- **Motion: Evangeline Ward moved to receive and file Ms. Napper's report.**

Timothy Martinez seconded.

Vote: The motion passed 3-0 (Susan Good was absent for the vote).

EDU 6 – Future Agenda Items

Lisa Okamoto, CDHA, asked if the DHCC could put a statement on its website whether or not RDH's as a whole are eligible to be classified as independent contractors.

EDU 7 – Adjournment

The Education and Outreach Subcommittee meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.