

**SOUTH DAKOTA DENTAL HYGIENISTS' ASSOCIATION
SEMI-ANNUAL BOARD MEETING
OFFICIAL MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2022**

The Semi-Annual Executive Board Meeting of the SDDHA was held Thursday, August 24 at 7 PM mountain time; 8 PM central time via Zoom, the President being in the chair.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM mountain time; 8:02 PM central time. A quorum was established with board members Tasha Wendel, Hailey Bruggeman, Abby Schiley, Caitlyn Lint, Jennifer Eggers, Tia Meyer, and McKenna Larsen.

The agenda was reviewed. Motion was made to approve the agenda. Wendel discussed old business regarding legislative dues being added to annual fee. Abby filled out the information and sent into ADHA adding a \$5 fee per member for legislative purposes. This changes the original membership fee from \$266 per year to \$271. It is unknown when the last increase was or if SDDHA has every had money delegated to legislation in the annual fee. Wendel discussed lobbyist agreement with Paul Bachand. Wendel discussed current options for legislation to put forward including changing direct supervision to general supervision for local anesthetic and nitrous, expanding the collaborative agreement to include placement of sdf and direct reimbursement to hygienists by insurance. Future legislation options include dental therapy and alternative work options for hygienists including being able to be employed by a nursing home and/or hospital. Wendel mentioned that Paul Knecht has reached out to have a conversation about SDDHA's current plans for legislation and to discuss licensure portability and the student loan reimbursement program. The board recommended not conversing with Paul Knecht until the lobbyist is available to be present for the conversation. The board will need to vote on what they are comfortable with including in legislation for the January 2023 session.

Annual 2021 was discussed as well as the option for additional CE. Jean Gross reached out to Jenny and would like to work with SDDHA to host meetings in Sioux Falls. The board discussed the option for quarterly CE either virtually or in-person. Further discussion will need to be had with Jean Gross before moving forward with that. McKenna, Jenny, and Cori will work together to discuss future CE including the Fall event and Annual Session. Wendel mentioned sending postcards or advertising the CE sessions. Jenny asked if the postage and creation of advertising would be covered with the Delta Dental Grant.

Important dates were discussed. Fall Newsletter due to Katie. If board members need help creating this, they can review previous newsletters on the website. New brochures are needed for lobby day. Hailey offered to edit the previous one. Wendel will send Hailey the old brochure.

Schiley emailed the treasurer's report prior to the meeting and it was reviewed. Budgets were discussed and requested for the year..

The operation manual needs to be updated and approved this year. Each board member should review their position as written in the Operation Manual Working Doc and make comments as necessary. The due date for edits is December 1, 2022. Additionally, board members need to review the policy on sending delegates and alternate delegates to Annual Session and review term limits for current positions on the board. It was suggested that the IOH liaison and the membership chair be separate positions if enough board members are present.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM mountain time; 8:59PM central time.