UNAPPROVED

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

MINUTES
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "C"

TIME AND PLACE:	Special Conference Committee "C" convened on August 2, 2013 at 10:07 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2nd Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.
FIRST CONFERENCE:	10:07 a.m.
PRESIDING:	Myra Howard
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Evelyn M. Rolon, D.M.D. James D. Watkins, D.D.S.
STAFF PRESENT:	Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager Indy Toliver, Adjudication Specialist
QUORUM:	All three members of the Committee were present.
Gholam Miamee, DDS Case Nos.: 145099 and 146029	Dr. Miamee appeared with counsel, Marc Brown, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated June 12, 2013. The Committee received statements from Dr. Miamee and Mr. Brown and discussed the allegations with them. The Committee also received statements from Gilberto Covarrubias, a dental assistant employed by Dr. Miamee.
Closed Meeting:	Dr. Watkins moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Gholam Miamee. Additionally, Dr. Watkins moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Toliver attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.
Reconvene:	Dr. Watkins moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

DECISION:
Case Nos.: 145099 and 146029

Ms. Toliver reported that the Committee found that Dr. Miamee authorized and allowed his dental assistant to provide scaling to patients in his practice, a service which requires the professional competence of a licensed dental hygienist or dentist.

The Committee also found that during an inspection at Dr. Miamee's dental practice, he did not have signage that conspicuously displayed his name as the person practicing dentistry in the entrance of his office; and he failed to post his dental assistant's radiation certification in plain view of the patients.

Dr. Miamee failed to inform Patient F that during prior root canal therapy on tooth #14 on September 12, 2011, a file tip had broken off and was left inside the canals.

Dr. Miamee published or caused to be published, an advertisement on his website under the assumed name of Dr. Ali Miamee, rather than Dr. Gholam Miamee, the name under which he is licensed.

The sanctions reported by Ms. Toliver were that Dr. Miamee shall pay a $2,500.00 monetary penalty and that his license be placed on indefinite probation subject to the terms and conditions that within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order he shall successfully complete 3 hours of continuing education in recordkeeping.

Dr. Watkins moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

SECOND CONFERENCE: 12:55 p.m.

PRESIDING: Myra Howard

MEMBERS PRESENT: Evelyn M. Rolon, D.M.D.
James D. Watkins, D.D.S.

STAFF PRESENT: Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager
Indy Toliver, Adjudication Specialist

QUORUM: All three members of the Committee were present.

Golnaz Miamee, DDS
Case Nos.: 145098 and 146026

Dr. Miamee appeared with counsel, Marc Brown, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated June 12, 2013. The Committee received statements from Dr. Miamee and Mr. Brown and discussed the allegations with them.

Closed Meeting:

Dr. Watkins moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Golnaz Miamee. Additionally, Dr. Watkins moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Toliver attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

Reconvene:

Dr. Watkins moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

DECISION:
Case Nos.: 145098 and 146026

The Committee found that during an inspection at Dr. Miamee's dental practice, she did not have signage that conspicuously displayed her name as the person practicing dentistry in the entrance of her office.

The Committee also found that Dr. Miamee published or caused to be published, an advertisement on the dental practice's website under the assumed name of Dr. Nazy Miamee, rather than Dr. Golnaz Miamee, the name under which she is licensed.

The sanction reported by Ms. Toliver was that Dr. Miamee shall pay a $500.00 monetary penalty.

Approval of Minutes:

Dr. Watkins moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

Upon a motion by Dr. Watkins, the minutes from the Informal Conference conducted on June 21, 2013 were approved.

ADJOURNMENT:

With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

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Myra Howard, Chair

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Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

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