UNAPPROVED

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

MINUTES
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "A"

TIME AND PLACE:	Special Conference Committee "A" convened on June 6, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2nd Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.
PRESIDING:	Surya P. Dhakar, D.D.S.
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Charles E. Gaskins, III, D.D.S.
MEMBERS ABSENT:	Tammy K. Swecker, R.D.H. Bruce S. Wyman, D.M.D.
STAFF PRESENT:	Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager Tiffany Laney, Adjudication Specialist
QUORUM:	With two members present, a quorum was established.
Chetana Saxena, D.M.D. **Case No.: 148849**	Dr. Saxena appeared with counsel, Kenneth Hirtz, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated November 13, 2013. The Committee received additional evidence and statements from Dr. Saxena and Mr. Hirtz and discussed the allegations with them.
Closed Meeting:	Dr. Gaskins 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 Chetana Saxena. Additionally, Dr. Gaskins moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Laney 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. Gaskins 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 No.: 148849

Ms. Laney reported that the Committee found that Dr. Saxena billed Patient B's insurance for a full mouth series of radiographs, despite the fact that she actually performed panoramic and bitewing radiographs.

The sanctions reported by Ms. Laney were that Dr. Saxena shall pay a $1,000.00 monetary penalty; and that her license shall be placed on indefinite probation subject to the terms and conditions that within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order she shall be the subject of an unannounced inspection to include a random sample of 10 patient records for review.

The decision was agreed to by consensus of the Committee.

Jennifer S. (Moore) Huffman, D.D.S.
License No.: 0401-008603

The Committee received information from Ms. Palmatier regarding a request by Dr. Huffman to have the Indefinite Suspension removed from her license, a result of a Board Order entered December 15, 2009, and be granted an unrestricted license to practice dentistry in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Closed Meeting:

Dr. Gaskins 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 Jennifer S. Huffman. Additionally, Dr. Gaskins moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Laney 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. Gaskins 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.

By consensus, the Committee agreed to grant Dr. Huffman's request and approved her to be issued an unrestricted license to practice dentistry in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ADJOURNMENT: With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

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Surya P. Dhakar, D.D.S. Chair

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Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

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