

**Virginia Dental Association
Board of Directors
2019 Actions in Brief**

Thursday, January 17, 2019

1. Approved: Dr. E Reynolds to be the liaison between the Board and Dr. Dickinson to develop a contract within 60 days with specifics for the Board to consider funding the “4th Value Leadership Program” in 2019.
2. Approved: Revisit deferred compensation in the future. Dr. Galstan, Dr. Southern and Mr. Dunn to research further.
3. Approved: The Board to review through follow-up email communications the VDA Policy on Low/Mid-Level Providers and whether current policy supports CDHC success in the Commonwealth. Ms. Wisman to email VDA Policy to Board to review for April Board meeting.

Thursday, January 19, 2019

1. Passed: A committee motion was made and emailed to the Board to vote for the VDA Board of Directors to develop a policy on vaping, e-cigarettes and the use of traditional tobacco products. The Board should also consider including marijuana and other inhalation products in this policy. Results of the motion will be emailed at a later date.
2. Passed: A committee motion was made and emailed to the Board to vote to hold the Virginia Meeting at the Williamsburg Lodge on September 15-19, 2021. Results will be emailed at a later date.
3. Passed: A motion was made, seconded and passed for the VDA to explore the possibility of bringing together a coalition to collaborate on the rural dental care needs/initiative in Southwest Virginia and report back to the Board at the Board meeting

Thursday, March 20, 2019 (by Conference Call)

1. Passed: A motion to reimburse Dr. Dickinson for expenses incurred for the 4th Value Leadership Program as of March 20, 2019. As of this date, the board requests that the program be paused.
2. Passed: A motion to hold the Virginia Annual Meeting at the Williamsburg Lodge, Williamsburg, VA on September 15 – 19, 2021.
3. Passed: A motion authorizing the VDA to explore and participate in the Virginia Society of Association Executives’ (VSAE) creation of a health care consortium in Virginia. The board approves sending a survey to the membership to gauge the interest of the membership to participate as the VSAE attempts to define and aggregate interest.
4. Passed: A motion for the VDA Board of Directors develop a policy on vaping, e-cigarettes and the use of traditional tobacco products. The board should also consider including marijuana and other inhalation products in this policy.

Thursday, April 12, 2019

1. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. Galston, seconded by Dr. Batchelor and passed or Dr. J Norbo to replace Dr. Willis, representing Component 8 to the VDA Board of Directors.
2. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. Norbo, seconded by Dr. Batchelor and passed to approve the minutes from the January meetings and March conference call as mailed electronically.
3. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. Goad, seconded by Dr. J Norbo and passed to request Dr. Dickinson provide a specific project report and detailed accounting of all expenses and activities of the Emerging Leaders program for review and approval by the Board to make payments for the program.
4. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. Goad, seconded by Dr. Luorno and passed for Dr. Southern to represent the VDA on the Mission Dental Virginia Board of Directors to oversee the creation and operations of the Appalachian Highland Community Dental Center reaching the underserved.

Friday, June 21, 2019

1. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. D Reynolds, seconded by Dr. E Reynolds and passed to support the Donated Dental Services Program in the amount of \$23,280.
2. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. Goad, seconded by Dr. D Reynolds and passed to approve the 2020 budget for submission to the 2019 House of Delegates.
3. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. Luorno, seconded by Dr. D Reynolds and passed for the Board to convene a work group to further investigate the impact and definition of teledentistry/digital dentistry and allocate the appropriate resources. The work group is to report their findings and budget request to the Board by the end of July, 2019 via email.
4. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. Galstan, seconded by Dr. D Reynolds and passed to hold the 2022 Virginia Annual Meeting at the Omni Homestead Resort in Hot Springs, VA. Additionally, the Board will hold a conference call in early October when the appropriate information is obtained from the Richmond VAM to discuss and vote whether or not to cancel the Homestead contract by October 31, 2019.
5. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. Luorno and seconded by Dr. Southern and passed to sunset the CDHC Taskforce.

**August 19, 2019
(by electronic delivery)**

Resolution to the House of Delegates from the VDA Board of Directors

1. Passed: Recommendation: Amend the VDA Policy Manual to include the following language and recommends the VDA House of Delegates vote yes.

The VDA seeks to educate and inform its members and the public about the many health hazards attributed to the use of traditional and non-traditional tobacco products, including e-cigarettes, e-cigarette cartridges, snus, dissolvable tobacco, tobacco gels, and other products made or derived from tobacco. These health hazards include the inhalation of any substance that is smoked or vaporized.

Proposed Placement: In the miscellaneous section (Pages 22 – 24) at the end of the Policy Document, there is an item on smoking in public. I would suggest adding it right between this and fluoridation. It seems like the only appropriate area.

7. The Virginia Dental Association supports the cessation of smoking in public spaces to decrease the risk of primary and secondary smoke and to promote a healthy lifestyle for all Virginians. -2009

8. The VDA strongly supports the fluoridation of the public water supply as it is a proven and cost effective health initiative that improves public oral health. -2009

Background: *Approved Language from Board meeting on June 21, 2019.*

Resolutions from the VDA Council on Government Affairs

2. **Passed:** Recommendation: The Council on Government Affairs recommends that the VDA pursue legislation to be presented to the 2020 VA General Assembly that would define teledentistry.
Background: It was suggested during the CGA's May 2019 conference call that the VDA Board of Directors work with the VAO and discuss possible ways to help address the issue of do it yourself dentistry. The Board of Directors reported back to the CGA that they had discussed the issue and decided that it is important to try to address this issue promptly by introducing legislation in 2020 that would define teledentistry.

3. **Passed:** Recommendation: The Council on Government Affairs recommends that the VDA pursue legislation that would allow dentists to administer vaccines, not necessarily to be presented to the 2020 VA General Assembly. In addition, the CGA recommends that the already formed subcommittee begin working on specific content and language for the proposed legislation several months prior to introducing.
Background: During their May 2019 conference call, the CGA reviewed and discussed information regarding the recently passed legislation in Oregon that will allow dentists to administer vaccines. The CGA agreed during the call that the VDA should pursue similar legislation, however, this will be difficult to take on the same year as the teledentistry bill.

September 25, 2019

1. **Passed:** A motion to be presented to the House of Delegates was made by Dr. J. Norbo, seconded by Dr. C. Batchelor and passed unanimously that in consideration of existing policy on standards for dental benefit plans, the challenge of a dental treatment plan by a third-party claims analysis is considered diagnosis thereby constitutes the practice of dentistry, which can only be performed by a dentist licensed in the state in which the procedures are performed, who has equivalent training with that of the treating dentist, and carries with it full liability, and be it further

Resolved, that the formulations or alteration of a treatment plan without a dental clinical examination of the patient by a dentist legally authorized to practice in the state in which the patient is treated should be prohibited, and be it further

Resolved, that the VDA urges the Virginia Board of Dentistry to pursue legislation and/or regulations to meet this end.

2. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. S Francis, seconded by Dr. F luorno and passed unanimously to direct staff to seek permission and an extension from XinVivo to share financials and information with the VDA investment advisor and report back to the Board of Directors as soon as possible.
3. Passed: A motion was made to present to the House of Delegates by Dr. F luorno, seconded by Dr. D Reynolds and passed unanimously that the Virginia Dental Association will follow the American Dental Association's recommendation and sign onto the Coalition for Modernizing Dental Licensure at the supporter level.
4. Passed: A motion was made by Dr. F luorno, seconded by Dr. C Batchelor and passed unanimously supporting The Virginia Health Catalyst to update the Code of Virginia enabling certified medical providers to apply fluoride varnish to patients.
5. Passed: A motion to present to the House of Delegates was made by Dr. F luorno, seconded by Dr. E Reynolds and passed unanimously that the Virginia Dental Association will mirror the American Dental Association dues structure and refer it to the Constitution & Bylaws and Finance Committees and for those Committees to present its work back to the VDA Board for approval and to serve proper notice to the membership prior to the 2020 House of Delegates meeting.

September 29, 2019

1. Approved: **Approval of appointments for 2019 - 2020**
Dr. Ralph L. Howell, Jr- Parliamentarian; Dr. Marcel Lambrechts, Interim Director-Component 4; and, Dr. David W. Stafford, Chair, New Dentist Committee.
Dr. David T. Marshall, Director-Component 1 and Dr. Justin Norbo, Director-Component 8, previously approved by the House of Delegates.

VDSC Board of Directors:

Dr. Stephen Radcliffe, President; Dr. Roger Wood, Vice President; Dr. Rodney Klima, Secretary/Treasurer; Dr. Avi Gibberman; Dr. Melanie Hartman; Dr. Ralph Howell, Jr.; Dr. Bruce Hutchison; Dr. Lanny Levenson; Dr. Robert Levine; Dr. Ed Weisberg; Dr. John White; Dr. Cynthia Southern, Liaison (non-voting member)