

50TH ABDPH ANNUAL MEETING

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Diplomates

April 30, 2000

Oak Brook Hyatt Hotel

Oak Brook, Illinois

- I. Call to order
President Kumar called the 50th meeting of diplomates to order and welcomed the 40 members and guests present.
 - A. Three past presidents were in attendance and were introduced and recognized by Dr. Kumar: Dr. Myron Allukian, Dr. Stan Lotzkar, and Dr. R. Gary Rozier.
 - B. Dr. Kumar introduced the following diplomates who were certified in 1999 and presented them with their lapel pins: Dr. Don Altman, Dr. Mark Macek, and Dr. Dan Williamson. Dr. Kaumudi Joshipura was not present.
 - C. The minutes of the 1999 meeting of the diplomates were approved.

II. Report of the executive secretary

STATUS OF BOARD MEMBERSHIP 2000

As of April 24, 2000, there were 134 active diplomates, 31 life members, and 23 inactive (retired), for a total of 188. This represents a net gain of two active diplomates since last year. We have added four active diplomates by examination, but have lost two. Dr. Anthony Conti has retired and Dr. Robert Faine has requested and been granted life membership.

Five candidates took the certification examination this year and we have a total of 30 board-eligible dentists, one fewer than last year. Eligibility will expire for five board-eligible dentists in 2001 if they do not take the spring examination next year.

III. Reports of officers and members

- A. Dr. Lotzkar reported on the budget.
On September 28, 1999, our bank balance was \$25,291.91. Total income through April 24, 2000, was \$17,290.00. Thus, the September checking balance plus income totaled \$42,581.91. Total expenditures for the same period were \$19,615.94. The checking balance as of April 24, 2000, stood at \$22,965.97. Included in that balance are \$4,634.00 in leftover funds from the \$8,000 Dentsply International and Block Drug Company contributions for the support of the board symposia and which are earmarked for that purpose. This in effect reduces the funds in the bank at the board's disposal to \$18,331.97. A separate \$10,000.00 certificate of deposit, which has earned \$737.47 in interest, brings the total funds available for board activities to \$29,069.44.

This budget represents a seven-month period rather than a 12-month period and so is atypical. For example, collection of re-registration fees is not complete and there are seven diplomates who are still in arrears. Application fees are down because there is a new cycle of applications with a different deadline. There has been only one application sent because the deadline for the next examination is in September rather than January. Examination fees are down somewhat because the change in examination dates has resulted in fewer candidates taking the examination—only five this year.

As expected, travel expenditures are up (\$9,142.40) because of the location of the annual examination in Honolulu last year. Actually, there was an additional \$2,000.00 in advance travel expenses, which was in last fiscal year's budget, so that the total is over \$11,000. Were it not for the fact that two board directors were successful in having their agencies pay part of their expenses, travel would have been much higher.

There were a number of one-time expenditures this fiscal year. For example, ABDPH was the host for the Annual Meeting of Recognized Specialty Boards in August and was required to support the activities, an event that will not be repeated for nine years. We finally ran out of lapel pins and ordered an additional 200 pins. A Y2K problem arose from the fact that the men's diplomate certificates had a 1900 date, which could not be altered easily, and new certificates had to be ordered. Otherwise, expenditures were comparable to previous years, taking into account a shorter year.

Finally, the funds received from the Block Drug Company and Dentsply International were used by three individuals connected with the 1999 symposium and a total of \$4,634.00 is available for this year and in the future. There does not appear to be any need to solicit additional funds for this purpose at the present time.

B. President's report

Dr. Kumar reported on the request from the Council on Dental Education and Licensure to develop a report for its Study of Specialty Education and Practice. The task falls to our sponsoring organization, the AAPHD; the board is contributing to the overall effort. Originally the report was to be a

rather extensive effort by the specialties, running to about 75 pages in length. As a result of input by those representing the sponsoring organizations and certifying boards, the council revised the proposed study outline to reduce the amount of information each organization would be required to submit. Dr. Dushanka Kleinman is coordinating the report and Dr. Collins representing the board will compile the information submitted by the board directors and in turn report to the Executive Committee of the AAPHD. The deadline for submission of the report to the council is August 1, 2000. The council will compile the submitted information from each specialty organization/certifying board into a report that will be submitted to the 2001 ADA House of Delegates.

A second issue concerning the board is the newly established recertification program for board diplomates. Recertification forms were sent out to 134 diplomates last December and we received a

total of 19 responses. However, we are developing a database and if diplomates will return the completed forms to Dr. Kumar, he will be happy to send them a report. Since the program is new, it is perhaps understandable that it will take some time before all active diplomates will be submitting a report. The report form is printed on the AAPHD/ABDPH website and can be downloaded from there.

Dr. Lotzkar presented a short, occasionally humorous, account of the first 50 years of the board's existence.

Dr. Kumar reflected on his six-and-a-half years on the examining board and having had the opportunity to work with some eminent people in the field.

- C. Dr. Dumbaugh presented the President's Plaque to Dr. Kumar and adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

NEW DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH RESIDENCY PROGRAM MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Dentists with a master's degree in public health or an equivalent master's degree are invited to enroll in this one-year full time, or two-year part-time HRSA-funded residency program. The program is offered by the College of Dental Medicine and the Center for Health Care Research. Applicants must be graduates of an accredited dental school and hold a master's degree in public health or its equivalent. The purpose of this certificate program is to prepare residents to assume dental public health positions at national, state, and local levels and/or to assume faculty positions in the nation's dental and public health academic institutions. This interdisciplinary program will include collaborative opportunities with the MUSC Academic Fellowship in General Pediatrics and General Internal Medicine, the Center for Healthcare Research, the Department of Health Administration and Policy, the Hollings Cancer Center, the MUSC Diabetes Center, as well as the State Department of Health and Environmental Control. Applications are currently available and will be accepted until March 1st, 2001. Stipends may be available through HRSA funding. For further information, please contact the Residency Director, Dr. Linda Kaste at tel: (843) 792-1585; fax: (843) 792-6626; or E-mail: kastelm@musc.edu.

TENNESSEE COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH

The University of Tennessee, Memphis, College of Dentistry invites applications for an entry-level, full-time position in the Division of Community Oral health, Department of Pediatric Dentistry and Community Oral Health. This division is responsible for instruction in the areas of public health dentistry, practice management, and the behavioral sciences.

The successful candidate will be involved in didactic instruction for predoctoral students, independent and/or collaborative research, and service activities. Specific teaching responsibilities will be established in accordance with the successful candidate's training and experience and the college's instructional needs.

Applicants must possess a DDS/DMD or DH degree, and must be eligible for licensure/registration in Tennessee. Applicants also must possess a master's degree in public health or health care administration or must have substantial experience in managing a dental practice.

Send a letter of interest and a current curriculum vitae to Dr. W. Thomas Fields, Professor and Director, Division of Community Oral Health, Department of Pediatric Dentistry and Community Oral Health, 875 Union Avenue, Memphis TN 38163. E-mail: tfields@utmem.edu.