

## AMERICAN BOARD OF DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

# Minutes of the 52nd Annual Meeting of Diplomates

**April 29, 2002**

**Sheraton Ferncroft Resort Hotel**

**Danvers, Massachusetts**

## I. Call to Order

President Burt called the 52nd meeting of the diplomates to order and welcomed the 71 members and guests present. This represents the highest number of attendees at a board dinner in the history of the board.

- A. There were 10 past presidents in attendance, also a record number. Dr. Burt recognized Dr. E. Joseph Alderman, Dr. Myron Allukian, Dr. Joseph Doherty, Dr. Chester Douglass, Dr. Robert Dumbaugh, Dr. Dushanka Kleinman, Dr. Jay Kumar, Dr. Stanley Lotzkar, Dr. Linda Niessen, and Dr. Gary Rozier.
- B. Dr. Burt introduced the following diplomates who were certified in 2001 with a short biography and presented them with their board lapel pins: Dr. Olusegun Alonge, Dr. Irene Bober-Moken, Dr. David Cappelli, Dr. Judith Jones, and Dr. Stephen Schultz. Dr. Irene Hilton, who was also certified in 2001, was not present.
- C. Dr. Burt asked for a moment of silence for Dr. Warren Parker, who passed away during the past year.
- D. The minutes of the 2001 meeting with diplomates, which were published in the *Journal of Public Health Dentistry*, were approved.

## II. Report of the Executive Secretary

As of April 26, 2002, there were 144 certified active diplomates, 28 life members, and 27 inactive (retired), for a total of 199. This represents a net gain of four active diplomates. We have added six new diplomates, but have lost two. Steve Arthur became inactive and Warren Parker is deceased.

We have six candidates taking the board examination this year and we have a total of 25 board-eligible dentists, having lost one whose eligibility ran out after five years without taking the examination. Next year, we will have seven dentists who will lose their eligibility if they do not take the 2003 examination.

## III. Report of Officers and Directors

- A. Dr. Lotzkar gave the Treasurer's Report.

We started our fiscal year on May 1, 2001, with a total bank balance of \$31,053.35. Income during the year, which consisted of application and examination fees, reregistration fees, receipts for the board dinner meeting and the AAPHD subsidy, amounted to \$20,155.00. The opening bank balance plus income amounted to \$51,208.35. Total expenditures for the year were \$17,172.53. These include travel and per diem expenses for board directors and officers to the annual meetings, costs for the board dinner and lunches at the meeting, executive secretary honorarium, certificate graphics and lamination, office expenses, printing, and insurance. The result is a checking account balance of \$34,035.82, or roughly a \$3,000.00 increase from last year. This figure includes a restricted fund of \$4,634.00 for the expenses of the annual board symposium. There were no expenses drawn from this account in the two previous years, but it is expected that there will be expenditures for the present year. Depending upon the amount of these expenditures, we may need to solicit additional funds from our sponsors for future years.

In addition to the checking balance, the board also carries a certificate of deposit of \$11,698.59. Income from interest in fiscal year 2002 was \$307.22. Thus, the total funds available to the board are \$45,734.41, the highest amount in our history.

## B. President's Report

Dr. Burt introduced the new officers and directors of the board. They are Dr. Caswell Evans, president; Dr. Ray Kuthy, vice president-auditor; Dr. Skip Collins, treasurer; Dr. Terri Dolan, director; Dr. B. Alexander White, director; and the new director-elect, Dr. Reginald Louie. Dr. Burt gave special thanks to Dr. Ed Peters for proctoring the written examination on last Friday.

Dr. Burt gave a report on the recertification procedure, which has been in effect since 2000. Newly certified diplomates are required to have 100 hours of continuing education over a period of 10 years. Diplomates who were certified before 2000 are in a voluntary reporting program and quite a number are doing so. As might be expected, a significant amount of forms have been collected and up until now, Jay Kumar has volunteered to maintain the

records, but we soon will have to make some decisions about formalizing the process. The method has not been selected yet, but you will hear more of this later.

Dr. Burt provided comments on his six years on the board. The first thing he noticed was the increasing diversity of the candidates for the board examinations and the number of candidates who received their dental training outside this country. He then commented on whether or not the examination has gotten harder through the years and although it is difficult to maintain the same standard over time, he felt that by and large it was a comprehensive examination and a fair test of candidates' abilities.

- C. Dr. Burt turned the chair over to the incoming president, Dr. Caswell Evans, who delivered some short remarks and presented Dr. Burt with the President's Plaque.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

## ABDPH DIPLOMATES

Dr. Caswell A. Evans Jr., president of the American Board of Dental Public Health, announced that the following dentists have passed the board certification examination given in April 2002 and are now diplomates of the board: Dr. Olapeju M. Simoyan and Dr. George W. Taylor III.

Dr. Evans also announced that the board examination will be given on April 25-27, 2003, in Milwaukee, WI, at the Hyatt Hotel. Application forms and/or information concerning the requirements for the board certification may be obtained by writing to Dr. Stanley Lotzkar, 1321 NW 47th Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32605, by telephone (352) 378-6301, or by e-mail slotzkar@yahoo.com. Applications will be accepted at any time, but must be received by September 15th of the year before you wish to take the examination. Once declared board eligible, applicants must pass the examination within a five-year period.

## UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

The University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, Eastman Department of Dentistry, invites applications for the position of chief of the Division of Community Dentistry and Oral Disease Prevention. We seek a leader who will enhance and strengthen the mission of the Medical Center in teaching, research excellence, and service to the community. The division is responsible for graduate education in public health, community dentistry, and epidemiology, research in community oral health and oral disease prevention, and administrative oversight for all community dentistry outreach programs, which include 3 mobile, 3 community-based, and 4 school-based clinics serving over 5,000 area children and adults. The division has a close working relationship with the Department of Community and Preventive Medicine in the University of Rochester, School of Medicine and Dentistry, the Monroe County Health Department, and the Dental Bureau of the New York State Department of Health.

Applicants should have a PhD or equivalent degree in a health-related field with advanced training in epidemiology, public health, and biostatistics. A DDS/MSD and board certification or board eligibility in dental public health are desirable. Candidates with a dental degree must have a dental license or be eligible for a license to practice dentistry in New York State. The successful candidate will have a demonstrated commitment to graduate dental education, community health, and research. Preference will be given to candidates with grant funding and/or the demonstrated ability to build a strong research program. The university offers a significant compensation package commensurate with qualifications of the appointee. Funds are also available for the recruitment of junior faculty, including a biostatistician who would be shared with the Center for Oral Biology in the Aab Institute of Biomedical Sciences, School of Medicine and Dentistry.

Applications demonstrating scholarly distinction appropriate for the appointment at the associate or full professor level should include the names and addresses of three references, academic and research interests, and be forwarded to the chair of the Search Committee: Dr. Ronald J. Billings, Eastman Department of Dentistry, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, 625 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620-2989. E-mail: ron\_billings@urmc.rochester.edu. Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.