



# **Board of Dental Examiners**

## **Office of Professional Regulation, Vermont Secretary of State**

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### **Unapproved Meeting Minutes**

#### **\*Remote Meeting\***

**Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**at 9:00 a.m.**

#### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 A.M. by Dr. Ruhl.

**Members Present:** Robert Ruhl, William Koch, Ellen Grimes, Cassandra Coakley, Linda Greaves, Elizabeth Merrill and Toby Kravitz

**Member(s) Absent:** Farid Hamidzadeh & Lucille Kelly

**OPR Personnel Present:** Emily Tredeau, Staff Attorney; Rachel Heath, Prosecuting Attorney; Michael Kupersmith, Administrative Law Officer; Julie Bowen, Docket Clerk; Kasey Mayer, License Administrator and Corey Young, Licensing Administrator.

**Guests:** Diane Dumas, Debora Teixeira, Heather Blair, Curtis Carpenter, Tammy Larocque, Michelle Farnham, and Justin Hulburt.

#### **2. Changes to the Agenda:**

- Dr. Kravitz requested to remove the discussion of Mental Health Concerns on application forms. Dr. Ruhl approved and removed the item from the agenda.

#### **3. Approval of Previous Minutes:**

Dr. Koch moved to approve the minutes of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Dr. Coakley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **4. Discipline:**

- **9:15 a.m. – *In re: Tammy Larocque, Docket No. 2022-5; Contested Hearing***
  - Dr. Koch moved to accept the proposed reinstatement order. Dr. Coakley seconded the motion, motion carried.

#### **5. Other Business**

- **Discussion of Dental Interstate Compacts**
  - The Board reviewed and provided feedback on the compact comparison document provided by Attorney Tredeau.
  - Dr. Kravitz moved to have Attorney Tredeau draft a letter to the Secretary of State from the Board currently recommending against joining both the CSG & AADB compacts. Dr. Grimes seconded the motion, motion carried.
  - Attorney Tredeau will provide a draft to selected Board members to review and approve prior to sending out.

#### **6. Vermont Department of Health Update – Ms. Greaves**

- 802 Smiles consent form is now available in 19 languages and has a reference video to help complete the form.
- Ms. Greaves informed the Board of pop-up dental clinics around the state.

**7. Public Comment:** None

**8. Next Meeting topics:**

**9. Adjournment:**

After inviting public comment, Dr. Ruhl adjourned the meeting at 10:20am.

Next Scheduled Meeting  
Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Please check the [OPR Meeting Calendar](#) for updates