

MINUTES OF THE 5TH DISTRICT DENTAL SOCIETY
ANNUAL MEETING
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th, 2016

The 5th District Dental Society Annual Session was called to order at 10:17 by President Steven Parrett.

Secretary Gary Davis reported that the total active, life, and retired membership as of August 31st, 2016 was 811 (down 2 members from last year) and the number of members present at the business meeting was 52. Dr. Davis reported that the bylaws require 20 members to be present to constitute a quorum and thus a quorum was present.

Secretary Davis presented the Necrology Report (attached). A minute of silence was observed in honor of our deceased members.

Secretary Davis presented the Minutes of the 2015 Meeting. Whereas the minutes were made available to all members present, Dr. Matthew Shroeder made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. This motion was seconded by Dr. John Wyckoff and carried without any dissenting votes. Dr. Sara Haines made a motion to accept the minutes of the 2015 meeting as written and Dr. Josh Greenberg seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Davis also reported on the approved minutes of the March 2016 Board meeting. Topics included the future and the purpose of the 5th District, nomination and stipends of ADA delegates, the Pennsylvania Dental Meeting and member voter turn-out .

Dr. Andy Gould presented the Treasurer's Report and moved the proposed budget for 2016-17. Treasurer Gould reported that no dues increase was recommended. Dr. Mike Cerveris seconded the budget motion and the budget was approved without any dissenting votes. A copy of the approved budget is included with this report.

Dr. James Boyle then gave the Trustee Report. Trustee Boyle reported on efforts to make the Council of Presidents more active, the evolving Pennsylvania Dental Meeting (PDM) and several legislative issues including the PDA's Attorney Weber letter to the Insurance Commissioner concerning insurance reimbursement cuts, the assignment of benefits bill which would allow patients to assign benefits to non-par dentists and the retroactive denial bill which would prevent insurance companies from demanding "refunds" from dentists for benefits which were already paid . Dr. Boyle also spoke about the importance of locals and asked members to contact their local legislators concerning the issues discussed today.

Dr. Boyle then thanked President Parrett for his leadership, especially his work on today's successful meeting and presented Dr. Parrett with the Pennsylvania Dental Association Presidential Plaque.

Dr. Larson and Dr. Davis asked the membership for the top reasons for the great attendance for the 5th District Meeting this year compared to recent years. Members stated that the CE topic was important to them, the price for members of only \$25 for 6 credits helped and the frequent emails were all important to their attendance this year. When asked if they would be at the meeting today if we had a social meeting instead of a CE course, the majority responded they would not be at the meeting especially if it was a nice day outside.

President-Elect Dave Larson reported that communication with the membership, actively serving on the Council of Presidents, discerning the purpose of the 5th District and planning a successful meeting for next year would be his main goals this year. He stated the 5th District Board approved a new 5th District website and he asked the membership to give him feedback on the purpose of our district.

President Steven Parrett thanked all the volunteers which assisted him this year. He stated he has great hope in the future of the 5th District and he challenged the leadership to clearly define the purpose and goals of the 5th District.

President Parrett asked if there was any old business. Dr. Davis responded that last year at this meeting and at the 5th District Board meeting, we began a discussion on what the function of the 5th District should be and what our duties should be. 2015 President Jason Phillips stated that we should continue this discussion. Dr. Parrett stated that due to time restraints, members should contact Dr. Larson or any Board member and share their thoughts on this important issue.

President Parrett asked again if there was any further unfinished old business. Hearing none, he asked for new business. Dr. Mike Cerveris asked if the 5th District wanted to continue to sponsor a training continuing education class for assistants for radiology permits. He stated if the district wanted to continue the course, we will need to pay for mailings to advertise the course. Dr. John Grimes moved to budget up to \$500 for mailings and to pay for an email list for all future communications. The motion was seconded by Dr. Sam Selcher and passed unanimously.

Dr. Parrett presented the Nominating Committee Report and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Dr. Davis nominated Dr. James Boyle for President-Elect of the PDA. President Parrett made a motion to approve the nominations and Dr. Eric Shirley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously and the newly elected officers were sworn-in by Dr. James Boyle. A copy of this report is included in this report.

Newly elected President Larson congratulated Dr. Parrett and all volunteers for their service and pledged to serve the 5th District to the best of his ability. On behalf of the 5th District Board, Dr. Andrew Gould presented Dr. Parrett with the 5th District President's Plaque and he presented 5th District Appreciation Plaques to Dr. Samuel Selcher for his years of service as PDA Treasurer, to Dr. James Boyle for his years of service as our 5th District Trustee, and to Dr. Gary Davis for his years of service as 5th District Secretary.

President Larson asked for any further business. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adjourn. Dr. Zachary Harrison made the motion to adjourn, Dr. Jaqueline Hughes seconded the motion and the motion carried without any dissenting votes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gary S. Davis, DDS