

## 154<sup>th</sup> Executive Council Meeting Minutes (Hybrid)

Semi-Annual Meeting, Thursday, May 26, 2022

Tioga Downs Casino, Nichols, NY 13812

6:34PM – 8:29PM

**Attendees (13):** Louis Giordano, Marcus Spera, Pam Bouton, Dave Salomons, Luis Mauleon, Scott Noren, Sonny Spera, Tim Smith, Paul Weber, Betsy Clark-Fortier, Howard Warner, Payam Goudaarzi and Comlan Missih

Louis called the meeting to order at 6:34PM

Comlan and Paul introduced themselves

Resolution to form committee on how to allocate \$10,000 to keep hygienists within the Sixth District, to be updated in 6 weeks. Suggestions included reimbursement if working for members of Sixth district only.

Luis Mauleon reminds us that Ethics refresher is posted at the website.

Dr. Orcutt posted his document and will need to discuss with Jim, tabled for now.

Switching roles confirmation. Marcus Spera to remain as secretary to finish BCDS duties this year as President and Dave Salomons agreed to switch to Vice President. Motion passed.

Scott Noren brings up resolution to be more inclusive to members of faiths where weekends are not as open for meetings. To be finalized and reviewed by the Sixth District before bringing to the NYSDA House of Delegates.

### **Committee Reports:**

Dental Benefits - vacant chair, meeting minutes available

Medicaid - Scott: difficulty obtaining OR access for special needs patients. Need brick and mortar suites for anesthesia. Struggle every year

Dental Practice - Mario absent from meeting

Ethics - Pam 2 cases, one was failure to maintain records, suspended for 2 years. next was dentist refused peer review and has been expelled, currently appealing

Gov Affairs - Howard: Fed. Gov. surprise billing in healthcare applies to dentistry,

Membership - Missih: Waive membership fees, remove from website when no longer member

EDPAC - Betsy: board meeting with falling membership concerns

Board of Governors - Mario Absent

State Board of Dentistry - Payam starts June 1st (congratulations)

Auditing - Paul Weber: report to be issues to everyone, bottom line, Income \$35,000, Expenses \$15,000

Vanguard down \$12,000 since

CE program - Sonny previously suggested tomorrow's speaker, otherwise uninvolved

Children's Dental Health Month - moved to discovery center \$3,000 invested annually BCDS donated materials. Payam suggested applying for a grant. Still need position filled, high priority

Howard: house of delegates increased price of running a meeting

October meeting to be set

Dan Williams moment of silence

\$10,000 hygiene funding to be allocated as determined by a committee to incentivize hygienists from SUNY Broome to stay in the area

8:29PM End of meeting

Minutes submitted by Marcus Spera



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