

**APPROVED**

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "C"**

**TIME AND PLACE:** Special Conference Committee "C" convened on January 6, 2017, at 9:05 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233.

**FIRST CONFERENCE:** 9:05 a.m.

**PRESIDING:** James D. Watkins, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bruce S. Wyman, D.M.D.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Tammy C. Ridout, R.D.H.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:** With two members present, a quorum was established.

**Frank J. Varanelli, D.D.S.  
Case No.: 169577** Dr. Varanelli appeared with counsel, Camille E. Shora, to discuss the allegations set forth in an Amended Notice of the Board dated October 18, 2016. The Committee received additional evidence and statements from Dr. Varanelli and Ms. Shora and discussed the allegations with them.

**Closed Meeting:** Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Frank Varanelli. Additionally, Dr. Wyman moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Reconvene:** Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

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**DECISION:**  
**Case No.: 169577**

The sanctions reported by Ms. Jones were that Dr. Varanelli shall pay a monetary penalty of \$2,000.00; and that within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order, he shall successfully complete a 7 credit hour continuing education course in the subject of principles of ethics for the dental professional.

Dr. Wyman moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

**SECOND CONFERENCE:** 11:25 a.m.

**PRESIDING:** James W. Watkins, D.D.S.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bruce S. Wyman, D.M.D.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Tammy C. Ridout, R.D.H.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Kelley W. Palmatier, Deputy Executive Director  
Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager  
Tammie Jones, Adjudication Specialist

**QUORUM:** With two members present, a quorum was established.

**Francis J. Dunne, D.D.S.**  
**Case No.: 170291**

Dr. Dunne appeared with counsel, Kenneth C. Hirtz, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated October 13, 2016. The Committee received statements from Dr. Dunne and Mr. Hirtz and discussed the allegations with them.

**Closed Meeting:**

Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Francis Dunne. Additionally, Dr. Wyman moved that Ms. Palmatier, Ms. Lee, and Ms. Jones attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Reconvene:**

Dr. Wyman moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and passed.

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**DECISION:**  
**Case No.: 170291**

The sanction reported by Ms. Jones was that within 6 months from the date of entry of the Order, Dr. Dunne shall successfully complete a 7 credit hour continuing education course in the subject of risk management and patient recordkeeping.

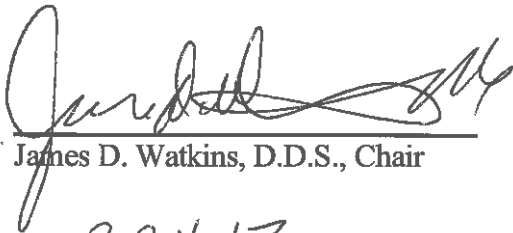
Dr. Wyman moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Upon a motion by Dr. Wyman, the minutes from the Telephone Conference Call on July 7, 2016, and the Informal Conference conducted on September 23, 2016 were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 1:38 p.m.



James D. Watkins, D.D.S., Chair

Date

2-24-17



Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

Date

February 24, 2017