



Seattle King County
Dental Society

Meeting Notes

Seattle-King County Dental Society Peer Review Committee
Thursday, April 28, 2022 - 6:30 PM via ZOOM

In attendance: Drs. Tom Quickstad, Kal Klass, Gerrarda O’Beirne, Hoon Ko, Kate Christian, Ryan Fox, Hashim Chothia, Miki Suetsugu, James Rosenwald, and James Swanson

Absent: Drs. Charles Young, Dale Bloomquist, David Silver, J. Michael Hardy, Jurga Martini, Linda Fukuda, Mark Bingham, Paul Benoit, Ralf Schuler, Randall Maebo, Timothy Butson, Andy Marashi

Staff: Ms. Angela Bond

I. Welcome and Call to order – Dr. Tom Quickstad

- a. **Meeting called to order at 6:34 pm.** Dr. Quickstad invited the members in attendance to do introductions.

II. Approval of May 13, 2021 meeting minutes

- a. Previous minutes approved by those in attendance.

III. Old Business

- a. Reminder: the Executive Council has asked that representatives of the Peer Review Committee review and make recommendations on applications for SKCDS/WSDA membership for dentists who have had disciplinary action by DQAC.
- b. Reminder: If a mediation results in payment, the Dr. should write a check from their personal account if the business is incorporated to avoid having to report the case to the National Practitioner Data Bank. Payments coming from a Sole Proprietor are not reportable and can be written from the business account.
- c. Statute of Limitations for any case is three years.

IV. New Business

- a. Review of 2021-2022 Cases – What did we learn
 - i. The WSDA Patient Complaint Portal is being utilized by patients more regularly than in the past. The process through which these reports are filed and sent to SKCDS was explained.
 1. It was theorized that the ease of use for this portal could be contributing to the rising number of cases we are receiving.
 - ii. The Peer Review Flow Chart was reviewed by Dr. Quickstad to illustrate the types of cases the Peer Review Committee is able to mediate.

1. DSO's have/are supposed to have internal peer review systems, which is why these cases are excluded from our process, as per the flow chart.
2. There was discussion amongst the committee members on when the "Agreement to Mediate" Form should be signed. It was agreed that this should be addressed and signed after the initial contact is made with both parties to move forward, particularly in regards to the social media clause.
 - a. This will be converted to a fillable form for ease of use and distributed to the Committee.
- iii. Eight cases have been filed during this timeframe.
 1. 5 of the 8 cases were reviewed during the meeting.
- b. Review of dentists with disciplinary action for membership for the EC
 - i. Three cases were reviewed in 2021-2022

V. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.