

ANESTHESIA COMMITTEE
Minutes
October 22, 2008

The Anesthesia Committee met at the office of the Board on October 22, 2008. Present were committee members Rod Nichols, D.M.D., Chair; Mark Mutschler, D.D.S.; Daniel Rawley, D.D.S.; Henry Windell, D.M.D. and Jay Wylam, D.M.D. Also present were Dean Nyquist, D.M.D.; Gary Allen, D.M.D., Willamette Dental; Matt Murkee, Oregon Society of Anesthesiology; Richard Johnson, M.D., Oregon Society of Anesthesiology; Brandon Schwindt, Oregon Academy of Pediatric Dentistry;, and staff members Patrick D. Braatz, Executive Director; Paul Kleinstub, D.D.S., Dental Director; Lori Lindley, Senior Assistant Attorney General and Teresa Haynes, Licensing Manager..

Dr. Nichols called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Nichols asked the members and those in attendance to observe a moment of silence at the recent loss of Dr. Robert Woolf, who was a member of the Anesthesia Committee for many years.

The Committee reviewed the Minutes of June 25, 2003 and the members felt that they reflected that meeting, so they would stand approved.

Dr. Nichols reviewed for the Committee the charge of the Committee from the Board.

The Committee reviewed the current Division 26 Anesthesia rules and decided that in light of the recent changes made by the ADA, that the Committee should make recommendations to the Board for changes to the Anesthesia rules.

The Committee reviewed and discussed the ADA Policy Statement: "The Use of Sedation and General Anesthesia by Dentists" as adopted October 2007 ADA House of Delegates, the "Guidelines for the Use of Sedation and General Anesthesia by Dentists" as adopted by the October 2007 ADA House of Delegates and the "Guidelines for Teaching Pain Control and Sedation to Dentists and Dental Students" as adopted by the October 2007 ADA House of Delegates.

The Committee directed OBD staff to prepare a draft revision of the current rules incorporating the changes as suggested by the new guidelines that were adopted by the ADA. They will be ready for the next meeting.

The committee reviewed and discussed the letter from Bill Schuyler, D.M.D. requesting that the OBD repeal the Class III permit requirement that pediatric dentists are required to have a PALS Certification. The Committee recommended that the OBD write to Dr. Schuyler and tell him that this change would not be advisable and that the Committee recommend that the OBD not make any such change in the requirement.

It was determined that the Committee will meet again in January or February of 2009 and that OBD staff will poll Committee members as to what dates would work.

The Committee adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.