**UNAPPROVED**

**BOARD OF DENTISTRY**

**MINUTES**
**SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE "B"**

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| **TIME AND PLACE:** | Special Conference Committee "B" convened on October 7, 2011 at 10:03 a.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2nd Floor Conference Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, VA 23233. |
| **PRESIDING:** | Jacqueline G. Pace, R.D.H. |
| **MEMBERS PRESENT:** | Surya P. Dhakar, D.D.S.<br>Myra Howard |
| **MEMBERS ABSENT:** | Herbert R. Boyd, III, D.D.S. |
| **STAFF PRESENT:** | Alan Heaberlin, Deputy Executive Director<br>Donna Lee, Discipline Case Manager<br>Gail Ross, Adjudication Specialist |
| **QUORUM:** | With three members present, a quorum was established. |
| **Charles Poole, DMD**<br>**Case No.: 126180** | Dr. Poole appeared with counsel, Kenneth T. Roeber, to discuss the allegations set forth in a Notice of the Board dated July 14, 2011. The Committee received statements from Dr. Poole and Mr. Roeber and discussed the allegations with them. |
| **Closed Meeting:** | Ms. Howard 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 Charles Poole. Additionally, Ms. Howard moved that Mr. Heaberlin, Ms. Lee and Ms. Ross 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:** | Ms. Howard 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. |

**DECISION:**
**Case No. 126180**

Ms. Ross reported the Committee found that Dr. Poole prescribed controlled substances to Patients A and D without noting a therapeutic purpose or providing treatment or an examination. Dr. Pool failed on numerous occasions to document patient records to include the diagnosis and treatment rendered, failed to include patients' name on records and update health histories. Dr. Poole failed to perform comprehensive dental examinations to include periodontal and hygiene examinations and to take routine radiographs. Dr. Poole failed to inform a patient that he perforated a root during root canal therapy. He failed to remove all decay and left a distal overhang on a restoration, and he failed to diagnose and treat decay which eventually led to irreversible pulpitis.

The sanctions reported by Ms. Ross were that Dr. Poole shall be reprimanded; assessed a $4,000 monetary penalty; and complete seven hours of continuing education in recordkeeping and risk management; four hours of continuing education in prescribing and pain management; and four hours of continuing education in restorative dentistry.

Ms. Howard moved to adopt the decision of the Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Upon a motion by Dr. Dhakar, the minutes from the Credentials Committee Informal Conference conducted on August 26, 2011 were approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With all business concluded, the Committee adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Jacqueline G. Pace, RDH, Chair

Sandra K. Reen, Executive Director

Date

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