Adult Medicaid Report

Dr. Rhonda Switzer-Nadasdi, Chair of the Oral Health Initiatives Committee, reported to the Board regarding several items, including Adult Medicaid, volunteers at the Interfaith Dental Clinic, and Perinatal Dental Benefit. With Tennessee having no adult dental benefit for adults in Medicaid, Dr. Switzer-Nadasdi believes the place to start is the Perinatal Dental Benefit for moms. The TennCare Perinatal and Postpartum Oral Health Program (TPPOHP) is in the state’s budget but not funded. Dr. Switzer-Nadasdi asked that the TDA be onboard with this program and that we participate if a task force is formed.

MOTION: Later in the meeting, Dr. Susan Orwick-Barnes, Second District Trustee, made a motion that the TDA support the TennCare Perinatal and Postpartum Oral Health Program.

AMENDED MOTION: Dr. Propper made a motion to amend the motion by adding “… through letters and phone calls.” The Board approved this amendment.

MOTION: The Board approved the Motion as amended that the TDA will support the TennCare Perinatal and Postpartum Oral Health Program through letters and phone calls.

TDA Audit July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

Mr. John Bellenfant, CPA, presented the TDA Financial Statements and Independent Auditor’s Report at June 30, 2018. Mr. Bellenfant also introduced Mr. Jeremy Coop, Bellenfant CPA Group employee, who performs the TDA bookkeeping function which was recently outsourced to Bellenfant CPAs.

Legislative Update

Mr. Jack Fosbinder, TDA contract lobbyist, gave the following updates:

- Opioid Bill: The Department of Health is working on the proper counseling for patients on birth control, but there is nothing official yet.
- Board of Dentistry Appointments: He received a request about a possible change to the Dental Practice Act to allow dental school faculty to be Board of Dentistry members. The Board chose not to move forward on that idea.
- Healthcare Task Force on Opioid Bill: The Department of Health called a joint meeting of healthcare licensing boards to develop consistent penalties for egregious/gross negligence violation of the opioid bill. Dr. Thomas Williams will present the draft on this at next week’s Board of Dentistry meeting.

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. J Newman, Chattanooga Area Trustee, the Board voted to accept the draft of the Department of Health’s proposal for the opioid minimum disciplinary rule.

Consent

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Susan Orwick-Barnes, the following Consent items were approved:

- TDA Foundation Report
- Tenn-D-Pac Treasurer’s Report
- Wellness Committee Report – Second Quarter 2018
• Dr. Chip Clayton Appointed Nashville Trustee to Fill Spot Vacated by President-elect Dr. Terryl Propper
• Dr. John Petty Appointed Speaker of the House to Fill Spot Vacated by Dr. Chip Clayton
• Dr. James Ragain Jr, DDS, PhD, Named Dean of UTHSC College of Dentistry
• Thank You Letter to Franklin Marriott Cool Springs Convention Center
• Thank You Letter to Mrs. Melissa Berrett, Dentsply Sirona
• Thank You for Contribution from Family of Sgt. Daniel Scott Baker
• Minutes, Board of Trustees Orientation for New Members, Part 1
• TDA Comments on Proposed Revisions to CODA/Hygiene Education Program
• Council on Membership, Communications and Relief, Seventh District Member, Dr. Lanora Bryant to Replace Dr. Jackie McClain

The following item was removed from Consent by Dr. Beauchamp for additional comment:
• TDA Letter with Recommendations to the Board of Dentistry Anesthesia Task Force and Board of Dentistry Response to Submit in January to Rulemaking Hearing.

Dr. Beauchamp told the Board that sedation recommendations are currently a major topic with specialty groups nationwide, and Tennessee is not the only state addressing this issue.

ADA Sixth District Trustee Report
As Dr. Roy Thompson, ADA Sixth District Trustee, was unable to attend the meeting, Dr. Beauchamp read Dr. Thompson’s report on Resolution 33 concerning a dental benefit in Medicare, in which he stated that opinion is divided at the national ADA committee level. The Board agreed to delay discussion on this matter until after the ADA meeting where the topic will be debated thoroughly on the House floor.

Per Mr. Mike Dvorak, Executive Director, Dr. Thompson will soon announce his candidacy for ADA President, and he will send the campaign guidelines to the TDA for review. These guidelines are stringent, and Dr. Thompson’s candidacy must not be discussed outside of the TDA until it is officially announced at the ADA.

Board of Dentistry Report
Dr. Mike Johnson, TDA liaison to the Tennessee Board of Dentistry, reported on the July 2018 meeting of the Board of Dentistry. There was discussion regarding confusion about various Board of Dentistry communications inferring CE Broker was required for CE tracking, when in fact, TDA members are not required to use this company for CE tracking as the TDA’s ACE program serves the same purpose and is a member benefit.

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Newman, the Board approved that Mr. Dvorak send a communication to TDA members clarifying that CE Broker is not a requirement and that they can continue to use TDA’s free ACE program, which qualifies for Board of Dentistry CE tracking, and that their staff may want to explore CE Broker for their tracking needs.

Per Mr. Dvorak, Dr. David Sain is relinquishing his position on the State Opioid Pain Management Committee, and the Board of Dentistry President, Dr. Kathy Hall, has asked for recommendations to replace him. Mr. Dvorak asked the Board to let him know of any suggestions.
**TDA Journal and New Scientific Editor**

Mr. Dvorak updated the Board on the health of Dr. Clifton Simmons, *TDA Journal Editor* and past TDA President, who is undergoing treatment at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas.

Dr. Susan Orwick-Barnes, Second District Trustee, said that Dr. Josh Campbell, Second District Member, is interested in the *TDA Journal* Scientific Editor position vacated by Dr. Zack Carden earlier this year. Mr. Dvorak will contact Dr. Campbell to discuss the position further.

**New Dentist Report**

Dr. Heath Blockley, Board liaison to the New Dentist Committee, referred the Board to the minutes provided from the last New Dentist Committee meeting.

**Endorsements**

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Anthony Carroccia, Eighth District Trustee, the Board approved endorsement of BAMM (teeth whitening gel) for one-year and then re-evaluate.

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Newman, the Board approved endorsement of Big Ear (custom ear protection) for one year and then re-evaluate.

MOTION: Dr. Newman made a motion that the TDA not provide email addresses to our endorsed providers. After some discussion, Dr. Newman withdrew the motion, with the approval of the Board.

MOTION: Dr. Wes McCann, Memphis Substitute Trustee, made a motion that the Board policy remain as is, but support the Executive Committee’s decision in disseminating information for endorsed companies. The motion failed.

The Board policy will remain as is, which states that member email addresses be used for TDA business only and not be provided to any group or endorsed company.

Mr. Dvorak informed the Board that he and other ADA Sixth District Executive Directors would meet at the ADA Annual Session with the California Dental Association regarding a group purchasing plan that has been successful for their association.

**Board of Dentistry Member Recommendations**

MOTION: The Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs provided a list of recommendations for the upcoming Board of Dentistry member positions from East Tennessee and Middle Tennessee expiring on March 31, 2019: East Tennessee – Dr. Robert Clark, Dr. Walter Fain, Dr. Jan Henley, Dr. Don Henson and Dr. Maricela Rodriguez; Middle Tennessee – Dr. James Clark III, Dr. Conrad Douglas, Dr. Matt Gorham III, Dr. Katherine Hall and Dr. Scott Nickels.

AMENDED MOTION: Dr. Beauchamp made an amendment to the motion that Dr. Ed Moody be added to the East Tennessee recommendations. The Board approved the amendment.

MOTION: The Board approved the recommendations from the Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs for Board of Dentistry members as amended to add Dr. Ed Moody to the East Tennessee list.

**Treasurer’s Report**
As Dr. James Avery, Treasurer, was unable to attend the meeting, Mr. Dvorak presented the Financial Statement for the twelve months ending June 30, 2018 as well as the most recent financial statement as of August 31, 2018.

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Carroccia, the Board accepted the Treasurer’s Report.

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Propper, the Board approved that Wellness Committee funds be moved to a separate checking account in anticipation of the committee’s approval as a 501(c)3 organization.

Annual Session Update

President Cullum and Mr. Dvorak reported on progress regarding the 2019 TDA Annual Session, which will be held June 7-9, 2019 at the Franklin Marriott Cool Springs. Noted were: one Board meeting to be held on Thursday, June 6th with no second meeting, Reference Committee on Friday and House of Delegates on Saturday, a few free courses offered and free lung screening.

President-elect’s Report

Dr. Propper reported that she attended the President-elect’s meeting in July at the ADA headquarters in Chicago, as well as the Mid-States Dental Leaders Conference in August, hosted by the TDA in Nashville.

Membership Report

Mr. Dvorak referenced a series of slides showing current membership numbers and five-year trends in membership numbers and dues revenue.

Annual Dues Statement 2019

MOTION: Dr. Beauchamp made a motion to continue to accept a contribution for the Wellness Committee on the 2019 TDA dues statement.

AMENDED MOTION: Dr. Orwick-Barnes made a motion to amend Dr. Beauchamp’s motion to insert a flyer for one year in the 2019 dues mailing regarding a contribution to the Wellness Committee for 2019 and announcing the upcoming separation from TDA for 2020 and beyond. The Board approved the amendment.

MOTION: The Board approved that there be a flyer inserted in the 2019 dues mailing regarding a contribution to the Wellness Committee for 2019 and announcing the upcoming separation from TDA for 2020 and beyond.

Executive Director Report

Mr. Dvorak referred the Board to his written report, which detailed the many activities of the executive office.

TDA Insurance Board

Dr. Cullum asked the trustees to explore their districts for someone interested in serving on the TDA Insurance Board.

Committee on the Environment and Infection Control

Dr. Chip Clayton, Nashville Trustee and former Speaker of the House, reported that after the May 6th Board meeting, he confirmed that the Committee on the Environment and Infection
Control was a committee of the Board, and therefore the motion to sunset that committee at the May 6, 2018 meeting was in order.

**New Business**
*TOSHA Audits:* Dr. Clayton discussed TOSHA audits happening around the state.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting for the Board will be January 26, 2019.

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**BOARD REPORT II – January 26, 2019**

**Call to Order**

President-elect Terryl Propper, Nashville, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. and noted that she would chair the meeting as President Paul Cullum was unable to attend due to his up-coming hip surgery. Dr. Jeannie Beauchamp, Secretary, led the Board in the Pledge to the Flag and offered the invocation. Dr. Beauchamp asked for a moment of silence in memory of Dr. H. Clifton Simmons III, TDA past-president and *Journal* Editor, who passed away January 1, 2019. Dr. Beauchamp proceeded with the roll call.

**Consent**

MOTION: By Dr. Rick Kinard, Fourth District Trustee, that the following Consent items be approved:
- Tenn-D-Pac Treasurer’s Report
- 2017-2018 Dental Relief Report
- TDA Foundation Report
- TDA Recommendation to the Governor for Board of Dentistry Terms Expiring on March 31, 2019
- Working Draft of Council & Committee Appointments for 2019-2020 / For Approval at April 6th Board Meeting
- ADA House of Delegates Actions, October 2018
- ADA Board of Trustees Recap from ADA President Dr. Joseph Crowley
- Donated Dental Services (DDS) Programs
  - Annual Report – July 2017 – June 2018
  - Report January 2019
- Minutes, Orientation for New Board Members, October 5, 2018
- Tennessee Department of Health – Update on Oral Health Services for 2018
- ADA Request for Test Development Volunteers
- OnPay Replaces SurePayroll as ADABEI/TDA Endorsement

Motion passed.

**Membership Report**

Mr. Mike Dvorak, Executive Director, gave a membership report with information by component society. He reported that about half of the membership have paid 2019 dues to date and a second notice will be mailed the week of January 28th.

**Legislative Report**
Mr. Jack Fosbinder, TDA contract lobbyist, reported that there are over thirty new legislators in the General Assembly, in addition to a new Speaker of the House and new Governor. This resulted in a major turnover on committees, including the Health Committee. The Governmental Affairs Committee will work to find contact dentists for all these legislators.

**Oral Health Initiatives**

Dr. Rhonda Switzer-Nadasdi, Oral Health Initiatives Committee Chair, reported on state and national issues in healthcare.

**Board of Dentistry Report**

Dr. Mike Johnson, TDA liaison to the Tennessee Board of Dentistry, reported on the October 2018 and the January 2019 meetings of the Board of Dentistry. In January, the TDA’s recommended changes regarding anesthesia rules were accepted by the Rulemaking Hearing. Also discussed during the Rulemaking Hearing were examinations and tele-dentistry.

**Endorsement**

Dr. Allen Burleson, First District Trustee, presented a request for endorsement from The Dentist Supply Company (TDSC), a group buying company supplying online shopping for dental supplies. The average savings for a dentist is approximately 20% per year. This would be a non-dues revenue stream as well as a membership benefit. 

**MOTION:** By Dr. Susan Orwick-Barnes, Second District Trustee, that TDA endorse The Dentist Supply Company (TDSC). Motion passed.

**Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs**

Dr. Tom Patterson, Board Liaison to the Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs, presented the Council’s recommendations for awards:

**Fellowship Awardees:** Dr. Jeff McMillen, First District; Dr. Bradley White, Second District; Dr. David Champion, Chattanooga Area; Dr. Brian Schenck, Chattanooga Area; Dr. James Allen, Nashville; Dr. Jeffrey Yost, Nashville; and Dr. James Hawkins, Seventh District. The Board approved all awardees, which will be recognized at the 2019 Annual Session.

**Dr. Jack Wells Dedication to Dentistry Award:** Dr. Leon Stanislav, Eighth District, was selected by the Trustees of the Board to receive the Jack Wells Award at the 2019 Annual Session.

**Volunteer Service:** The council will issue surveys again this year to gather information on the hours of volunteer service performed by TDA members in 2018. The total number will be announced at the 2019 Annual Session.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Dr. James Avery, Treasurer, presented the financial statement for the month ending December 31, 2018. Dr. Avery shared highlights from the first six months of the TDA’s fiscal year. A report on the mortgage for the TDA building was presented and noted that the building will be paid off, with the current schedule, in the year 2024. The Reserve Fund was discussed, as well. Dr. Avery said that there is a surplus from the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018 in the amount of $313,238.90.

**Annual Session Update**
President-elect Dr. Propper reported that the 2019 annual meeting events and courses are confirmed, and preregistration materials have been mailed as well as posted online.

There was discussion about the annual meeting and providing a member benefit, such as free course offerings or a comprehensive fee that would cover all continuing education.

Dr. Propper asked the Board’s thoughts about separating the House of Delegates from the continuing education portion of the annual meeting. From a straw poll, the Board members voted that the House of Delegates and scientific courses remain together at the same meeting. Therefore, by the purview of President-elect Propper, the House of Delegates and scientific programs will not be separated in 2020.

MOTION: By Dr. Burleson, that a resolution be submitted at the 2019 House of Delegates to reduce the size of the House delegation by approximately one-third to 68 delegates plus two student delegates. Motion passed.

**Board of Trustees Meeting Dates**

The Board meeting dates for 2019-2020 will be confirmed and sent to members soon. The Executive Committee has discussed a retreat for the full Board every three years with an executive committee retreat the other two years. This will be discussed by the Budget & Finance Committee to be added to the 2019-2020 budget.

**Board Dinners and Spouses**

Per the Executive Committee, Dr. Propper said that spouses are welcome to attend Board dinners, however the cost of the spouse’s meal must be paid by the member.

**Outstanding District Award**

Dr. Propper announced that the winner of the Outstanding District Award for 2018 is the Memphis Dental Society. The award will be presented at the 2019 TDA Annual Meeting.

**Executive Director Report**

Mr. Dvorak updated the Board on staff changes, building issues, trips to UT, Meharry and component meetings, the MEWA plan, annual session and endorsements.

**Executive Committee Retreat in December 2018**

In addition to several items that have already been addressed, the Executive Committee discussed the following at their retreat in December:

**Honorariums for Officers:** The honorariums for officers have not been raised in over fifteen years.

MOTION: By Dr. Orwick-Barnes, that the honorariums remain the same and that the officers be reimbursed for their hotel and travel expenses when on TDA business. Motion passed.

MOTION: By Dr. Orwick-Barnes, that the editor honorarium be increased to $3,000 per year, and the Scientific Editor honorarium be increased to $1,500 per year. Motion passed.

**ADA Delegate and Alternate Delegate Travel:** The TDA will provide clearer written guidelines and establish maximum reimbursements to the delegation as they make airfare and hotel arrangements to participate at the ADA House of Delegates.

**ADA Alternate Delegates Attendance at ADA Conference:** There was discussion about the possibility of reducing costs by staggering the attendance of ADA Alternate Delegates at the
ADA House of Delegates. The Board consensus was to continue the current practice of allowing all alternate delegates to attend the ADA House of Delegates.

**Presidential Rotation:** There was discussion about changing the current Presidential rotation, however the Board consensus was to leave the rotation as is.

**New Dentist Committee Report**

Dr. Beth Randall, Chair of New Dentist Committee, reported that their next meeting will be a conference call on February 25th. One topic on their agenda will be regarding establishing a policy on alcohol.

**Alcohol at TDA Events and Dinners**

Dr. Propper led discussion about the appropriateness of TDA paying for alcohol at TDA events and dinners.

**MOTION:** By Dr. Kinard, that the TDA not pay for alcohol at any TDA functions.

**AMENDED MOTION:** By Dr. Burleson, that TDA funds not be spent on any alcohol for any member or staff. Motion failed.

**MOTION:** By Dr. Nowlin, that TDA funds not be spent on alcohol for any member at a general member function. Motion passed.

**ADA Sixth District Trustee Report**

Dr. Roy Thompson, ADA Sixth District Trustee and TDA member, reported that the ADA is working on an OSCE exam (Objective Structured Clinical Examination), reviewed the Find-A-Dentist program, informed of a new data warehouse registry to collect dentist data, and described the ATABIG program to assist in transitioning new dentists to established practices of retiring dentists.

Dr. Thompson said that he will notify the ADA this weekend that he will officially announce his candidacy for ADA President-elect in 2020. Per Dr. Thompson, the estimated cost to run a campaign for ADA President-elect is $60,000 – 100,000.

**MOTION:** By Dr. Orwick-Barnes, that TDA support Dr. Roy Thompson in his candidacy for ADA President-elect in 2020 with up to $50,000 taken from the 2018 surplus.

**AMENDED MOTION:** By Dr. Anthony Carroccia, Eighth District Trustee, that TDA support Dr. Roy Thompson in his candidacy for ADA President-elect in 2020 with up to $50,000 taken from the 2018 surplus with an initial contribution of $25,000.

**AMENDMENT TO AMENDED MOTION:** By Dr. Chip Clayton, Nashville, that TDA support Dr. Roy Thompson in his candidacy for ADA President-elect in 2020 up to 50% of his expenses not to exceed $50,000 taken from the 2018 surplus with the Executive Committee overseeing the disbursement of funds. Motion passed.

**MOTION:** By Dr. Carroccia, that TDA support Dr. Vince Rapini of Missouri in his candidacy for ADA 2nd Vice President in the amount of $1,700. Motion passed.

**Executive Session**

The Board went into executive session at 2:30 p.m.

The Board returned from executive session at 2:50 p.m.
Dr. Propper noted that, with the recent passing of Dr. Clifton Simmons, the position of Editor of the *Journal of the TDA* is vacant as well as the Scientific Editor position, which has been vacant since February 2018. Dr. Cullum will appoint an ad hoc committee to review applications for these positions. A call for applications will be announced to the membership with responses to be received by February 15th.

Mr. Dvorak told the Board that the *Journal of the TDA*’s application to the National Library of Medicine (NLM) for continued inclusion in MedLine, the company that indexes articles for NLM, was not recommended for continued inclusion. Therefore, the NLM will no longer index citations from the *Journal of the TDA*. This has significant ramifications for the authors of articles submitted to our *Journal*. The TDA will be eligible for a second review by NLM in a minimum of two years.

**Wellness Committee**

Mr. Dvorak reported that the Wellness Committee has applied for 501(c)3 status as the Tennessee Dental Wellness Foundation. Dr. David Sain, Wellness Committee Director, informed Mr. Dvorak that the Tennessee Dental Wellness Foundation will move out of the TDA building by July 1, 2019 and will operate as a 501(c)3 out of their own office space in Murfreesboro. The separation from TDA will be final once reimbursements of the 2018-2019 Grant are completed.

**New Business**

**Donation in honor of Dr. Simmons:**

MOTION: By Dr. Burleson, that there be $5,000 donated in memory of Dr. Simmons: $2,500 to the Dr. Simmons Scholarship Fund at the University of Tennessee; and $2,500 to the Interfaith Dental Clinic. Motion passed.

**Possible Software Endorsement:** Dr. David Magee, Vice President West Tennessee, asked that the Board explore companies that provide software to assist with the new regulations to submit prescriptions electronically. Dr. Propper said that the Board would research this.

**TDA Credit Card:** Dr. Orwick-Barnes suggested that Mr. Dvorak obtain a TDA credit card to use for TDA related business expenses. Dr. Propper referred this to the Budget & Finance Committee.

**CGI Communications Videos:** Mr. Dvorak said that CGI Communications approached TDA regarding taking video at our annual meeting and producing promotional videos at no cost to the TDA in exchange for TDA members’ business mailing addresses. The Board voted not to pursue this. Per Dr. Propper, if CGI Communications is interested in exchanging these services for advertising, the Board might consider that option.

**BOARD REPORT III – April 6, 2019**
illness. Dr. David Magee, Vice President West Tennessee, offered the invocation and led the Board in the Pledge to the Flag. Dr. Allen Burleson, First District Trustee, called the roll.

Consent

- Component Society Annual Reports
- Letters for Dr. Clifton Simmons III Memorial Contributions
  - University of Tennessee
  - Interfaith Dental Clinic
- Letter to Dr. Vince Rapini, Contribution to ADA 2nd Vice President Campaign
- Dr. Roy Thompson Thank You for Support of His Candidacy for ADA President
- Dr. John Petty Report from Parliamentarian Presiding Workshop
- Interfaith Dental Clinic Thank You for Contribution in Dr. Simmons Memory

The following Consent items were removed and discussed:

- Resolution to Reduce Delegate Size of the House of Delegates by Dr. Rick Kinard, Fourth District Trustee:
  - Asked that Board members speak in favor of this to their delegation as well as speak at the House of Delegates.
  - TDA staff will provide the numbers for each delegation with the reduction for reference and have it available for the House meeting.
- Board Meeting Dates 2019 – 2020 by Dr. Susan Orwick-Barnes, Second District Trustee
  - Encouraged all members to note the dates and put on their calendars.
- Wellness Committee Report, First Quarter 2019 by Dr. Chip Clayton, Nashville Trustee
  - Separation from TDA will be complete by July 1, 2019.
  - New name will be Tennessee Wellness Foundation
  - Dr. David Sain, Wellness Committee Director, has requested two things:
    1. Keep Chemical Dependency test in the TDA Newsletter and maintain the current split of proceeds with 25% to the Tennessee Wellness Foundation and 75% to the TDA.
      - MOTION: By Dr. Anthony Carroccia, Eighth District Trustee, to continue the Wellness Committee Chemical Dependency exam in the TDA newsletter. Approved.
    2. Continue to have the Wellness Committee of the TDA.
      - MOTION: By Dr. Clayton to sunset the TDA Wellness Committee. Approved.
      - MOTION: By Dr. Burleson that a member of the TDA Board serve as a liaison on the Tennessee Wellness Foundation Board. Approved
- MOTION: By Dr. Magee to accept the Consent Calendar. Approved.

Legislative Report

Mr. Jack Fosbinder, TDA contract lobbyist, reported regarding the 2019 bills in the legislature which affect dentistry.

ADA Report
Mr. Mike Dvorak, Executive Director, reported that Dr. Roy Thompson, TDA member and ADA Sixth District Trustee, informed the ADA of his intention to run for ADA President-elect. In addition to the support pledged by the Board of Trustees in January, the TDA will approach other states in the ADA Sixth District for contributions to his campaign. The ADA Dentists and Students Lobby Day is April 14 – 17, 2019 in Washington, D.C. One issue of specific interest is dentistry’s continued effort to repeal the McCarran-Ferguson Act which would open competition to insurance companies.

The TDA is hosting the ADA Pre-Caucus and Caucus at the ADA Annual Session September 5 – 9, 2019. The Pre-Caucus will be held in San Francisco on September 5th before the first House of Delegates session instead of a separate location in Tennessee several weeks in advance of the ADA meeting.

**Treasurer’s Report**

Dr. James Avery, Treasurer, presented the TDA financial statement for the month ending February 28, 2019. The TDA Foundation and the TDA Relief Fund accounts were reviewed, as well.

A report on the remaining mortgage balance for the TDA building was presented which included the additional amount from last year’s surplus that was applied directly to the mortgage principal.

From the 2017-2018 fiscal year, Dr. Avery noted that the surplus is being disbursed as follows:

- $200,000 to building mortgage principal
- $50,000 to CD for reserves
- $50,000 holding for Dr. Roy Thompson’s ADA Presidential Campaign (up to)
- $2,500 to UT Dr. Clifton Simmons Scholarship Fund in memory of Dr. Simmons
- $2,500 to Interfaith Dental Clinic in memory of Dr. Clifton Simmons

Dr. Avery presented the following motions from the April 5, 2019 Budget & Finance Committee meeting:

**MOTION:** Executive Director investigate and bring before the TDA Budget & Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees a prospective accounting firm and legal counsel to replace those currently hired, and that these prospective firms be interviewed by the Budget and Finance Committee by September 2019, and that the present accounting firm and legal counsel be replaced by the January 2020 TDA Board of Trustees meeting. Approved.

**MOTION:** That the TDA Board of Trustees procure a surety bond for employee/member dishonesty for those that have access to financial information or have check writing privileges. Approved.

**MOTION:** That the TDA investigate outsourcing for logistics at the TDA annual meeting and to its present findings at the June 2019 Board of Trustees meeting. Approved.

The 2019-2020 Budget was distributed, and the Board was asked to review for discussion later in the meeting.

**Executive Session**

The Board went into Executive Session at 11:15 a.m.

The Board concluded Executive Session at 11:55 a.m.
MOTION: By Dr. Burleson to accept the Executive Director’s proposed staff salaries. Approved.

MOTION: By Dr. Magee that the TDA Constitution and Bylaws be amended to read that the appointive positions of the Association shall be up to three in number, editor and executive director, and associate executive director, if the need arises, with duties to be assigned by the Board of Trustees, and the Bylaws to be modified as such.
(No vote taken.)

**Councils and Committees**

**Council on Membership, Communications and Relief Report**

Dr. Heath Blockley, Vice President Middle Tennessee, reported that the Council on Membership, Communications and Relief met via Zoom Conferencing on March 13, 2019. The TDA’s final membership total for 2018 was 2,483 members.

The Council requested that the Board create a dues category for part-time retired dentists whose dues would be 25% of the TDA’s full membership dues. As the Council did not have a quorum, there was no motion from the Council and no action was taken.

**Anesthesia, Sedation and Scope of Practice Committee**

Dr. Carroccia, Chair of the Anesthesia, Sedation and Scope of Practice Committee, reported that this committee met via conference call on March 19, 2019.

MOTION: By the Anesthesia, Sedation and Scope of Practice Committee to send to the Board of Dentistry for consideration that the administration and monitoring of nitrous oxide and oxygen sedation should be allowed to registered dental assistants, who have completed a 14-hour course on such in accordance with the ADA Guidelines for Teaching Pain Control and Sedation that is echoed in the certification courses that the registered dental hygienists take in Tennessee due to the wide safety margin and multiple safety features among other reasons. Approved.

MOTION: By the Anesthesia, Sedation and Scope of Practice Committee that a dental anesthesiologist be appointed to their committee. Approved.

NOTE: President-elect Propper appointed Dr. Katie Bradford, Dental Anesthesiologist, to serve on the committee.

**Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs**

MOTION: By the Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs to change the TDA Bylaws to remove individual volunteer service awards:

- Bylaws Chapter IX / Councils / Section 150.
- E. Replace entire paragraph with
  “The TDA membership will be gauged periodically for their volunteer service hours for use in providing information regarding oral health assistance to the underserved.”

Approved.

MOTION: By the Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs to change the Council and Committee Handbook:

- Page 20 / Local Arrangements / 3rd para:
  - Delete “Volunteer Service Awards”.
B. Delete “Volunteer Service Awards”.

Item E. – Mirror the Bylaws change and remove the eligibility criteria completely.

Approved, pending the Bylaws change.

**Appointments**

MOTION: By Dr. Kinard to accept the 2019-2020 list of council and committee appointments of the TDA as presented. Approved. Note that if the Wellness Committee is eliminated, that committee will be removed.

MOTION: By Dr. Kinard that the council and committee chairs from last year as presented on the appointments be reappointed for the year 2019-2020. Approved.

The list of TDA Insurance Agency Directors was presented for information, noting that Dr. Mitch Baldree will replace Dr. Art Cole who has resigned after many years of service on the Board of Directors.

**Annual Session Update**

President-elect Propper reported that registration for the 2019 meeting is good and the hotel is almost sold out. The cost of the Saturday evening Cookout has been reduced to $25 per person, due to sponsorship money received to assist in defraying some of the evening’s cost. Due to demand, a second Botox® course has been added to the schedule and is almost sold out.

Regarding the meeting in 2020, Dr. Propper said that another hotel may be utilized, in addition to the Franklin Marriott Cool Springs, to assist with the growth of the meeting.

**Executive Director Report**

Mr. Dvorak updated the Board on the continued search for a new editor for the Journal, staff changes, building issues, new security system for the building, Aptify training, the MEWA plan, and the roll-out of the TDSC (The Dental Supply Company) endorsed service on May 1, 2019.

**New Dentist Committee Report**

Dr. Beth Randall, Chair of the New Dentist Committee, said they had a conference call meeting on February 25, 2019. Their continued emphasis has been the new dentist events in each district. The NDC has received a few ADA engagement grants. They are still working on their social media presence.

**Delta Dental PSAs**

Dr. Propper reported regarding a meeting between TDA and Delta Dental regarding underwriting dental PSAs (Public Service Announcements) where the local districts would link with the TDA to drive patients to see a TDA member dentist for care. The discussion is ongoing.

**Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education**
Dr. Orwick-Barnes asked for a change in the Bylaws which would consolidate the Annual Session Committee with the Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education to provide continuity to the planning of the annual meeting as well as assist smaller districts in the implementation of this major TDA event.

MOTION: By Dr. Orwick-Barnes that the following updates to the Bylaws be made:

**Chapter VI Councils**
Section 30 MANAGEMENT
The Council of Scientific Programs and Continuing Education and the Committee on Annual Sessions shall have full charge of all details relating to the annual scientific session and shall-operate in accordance with the procedural manual adopted by the Board of Trustees.

**Chapter IX Councils**
Section 130. COUNCIL ON SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMS AND CONTINUING EDUCATION
The Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education shall be composed of eleven (11) members, one from each component society, the President-Elect, and the-President-Elect appointed Annual Session General Advisor. The council’s duties shall be:
A. Develop and conduct scientific programs for the membership.
B. Coordinate and provide oversight to the annual scientific session.
C. Study, recommend and initiate programs designed to promote continuing education and training programs for the dental profession and its auxiliary personnel.
D. Supervise and conduct planning of all programs of the annual scientific session.
E. If exhibits are to be held and/or sponsorships requested, the council shall manage and oversee those areas associated with the annual business meeting and/or scientific session.
F. Monitor the association’s Approved Continuing Education Program (ACE).

Approved.

**Budget**
MOTION: By Dr. J Newman, Chattanooga Area Trustee, that the 2019-2020 budget of $1,770,770 by the Budget and Finance Committee be approved as presented. Approved.

**New Business**
Board Retreat: President-elect Propper reminded the Board to reserve the dates of July 12 – 14, 2019 for a Board retreat, with the location to be announced soon.

Online CE: Dr. Magee asked that Board members be thinking about the increasing use of online courses for continuing education and if face-to-face CE should be required for dentists.
COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORTS

Council on Dental Benefit Programs
Douglas E. Hunter, D.D.S., Chair

February 12, 2019 - There were no formal meetings of the committee during the year. There were some group email exchanges and one-on-one telephone conversations with member dentists to hear concerns regarding difficulties they were having with dental insurance companies.

One concern involved an insurance company refusing to pay in a situation where the company perceived that the Dr. had performed services in an improper order. Specifically, performing endodontic and restorative services before periodontal treatment was performed. The Doctor's justification was that the treatment was necessary to relieve pain and to prevent further deterioration of the tooth. The situation was complicated by the patient losing dental coverage in the midst of the dispute.

Another concern involved an insurance company placing a member dentist on coverage programs of the company beyond what was agreed upon in the dentist's contract with the insurance company. This was creating friction between the dentist and patients or potential patients that expected the dentist to accept coverage that the dentist had not agreed to provide.

Committee member, Hope Watson was able to relay these concerns to the ADA. The resolution of these issues is unknown at the time of this report.

Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education
Chad O. Edwards, D.D.S., Chair

The Council on Scientific Programs and Continuing Education met on Thursday, June 14, 2018 via Zoom Video Conferencing at 5:30 p.m. CST.

Members present: Drs. Chad Edwards, Chair, Jeremiah Sturgill, Marie Farrar, Kimberly Pitts, Timothy B. Brown, Jennifer Cornell, and Stanley Waddell,

Absent members: Drs. Stanley Sisk, Irvin Rainey Jr.

Also present: Drs. Paul Cullum, TDA President; Terryl Propper, TDA President-elect; Dennis Gardner, 2019 Annual Session General Chair; Mr. Mike Dvorak, TDA Executive Director; and Mrs. Amy Williams, TDA Staff.
The meeting was called to order by Dr. Edwards, Chair, at 5:35 p.m.

Overview of 2018 Annual Session

Mr. Mike Dvorak, Executive Director, gave an overview of the Annual Session in May 2018. Mr. Dvorak reported that it was a great meeting, however leaders were a bit disappointed that the dentist turnout was low. Mr. Dvorak said that energy was high on Friday for courses and events. We need to work on Saturday’s schedule to maintain interest and energy. Exhibitors were very pleased with the tabletop exhibits in the traffic ways. Exhibitors will be asked at the sponsor breakfast in July if they would prefer a one-day exhibit instead of the traditional two-day exhibit.

Speaker Discussion

The council discussed the speaker list from the last meeting, which resulted in a few changes:

- Dr. Gigi Meinecke – A one-day basic introduction course.
- Mr. Alan Sielbeck – Local IT expert could do security course at low or no cost. Need to check with Dr. Orwick-Barnes regarding status of inquiry to Robert Siciliano.
- Ms. Olivia Wann – Her second course could be Risk Management, to provide variety.
- Larry Emmott – Remove him from the list.

The revised list of 2019 Speakers from the discussion:

**Friday, June 7, 2019**

Dr. Taran Agarwa / Sleep

Dr. Mark Nations / Implants

(Dentsply Speaker) / Practice Management

Dr. Bizga & McDonald / Exceptional Assistant – Working Together

Wendy Briggs / Hygiene Production / CAMBRA

Olivia Wann / TOSHA (free)

Exhibitor Courses / Short presentations by Diamond & Platinum Sponsors

**Saturday, June 8, 2019**

Dr. Alan Atlas / Conquering Restoration: A-Z

Dr. Gigi Meinecke / Botox Introduction

Mr. Alan Sielbeck / IT Expert (possibly Robert Siciliano)

(Dentsply Speaker) / Practice Management Course
Susan McMahon / EFDA
Rita Zamora (CareCredit) / Collections, Electronic Appts, Social Media (Front Office)
DentaQuest Speaker / Opioid and SDF (free)

Sunday, June 9, 2019
(Dentsply Speaker x 2)
Olivia Wann / Risk Management (free)
Dr. David Sain / Chemical Dependency and Prescription Writing

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Terryl Propper, the council approved the slate of speakers as presented except for a few to be confirmed. Dr. Edwards, Chair, will present the final list to the council later for approval.

Next Steps
• Dr. Jennifer Cornell, Eighth District, will contact Dr. Gigi Meinecke regarding a beginner Botox course for Saturday, June 8, 2019.
• Mr. Dvorak will ask Melissa Berrett, Dentsply Sirona, for an update on proposed Dentsply Speakers and if there are speakers on their roster that would stay over from Saturday to speak on Sunday morning.
• Mr. Dvorak to contact Rita Zamora regarding her availability for June 8th.
• Ms. Amy Williams to contact Dr. Susan Orwick-Barnes regarding status of Robert Siciliano inquiry.
• Final list target date: June 29th. If that is not possible, the next target date is July 9th.

Council on State Agencies, Awards, Ethics and Judicial Affairs

Randall C. Montgomery, D.D.S., Chair

Members Responding:  Drs. Randy Montgomery, Chair, Newson Baker, Hal Jones, Tim Brown, Tony Vaughn, Stan Young, and Scott Edwards; Tom Patterson, Board Liaison

No Response:  Drs. Bill Hunter, Dr. David Bailey

Budget

ACTION:  Because council expenses are expected to increase next year with the manufacturing of more Fellowship Award pins and certificates, the council approved a budget request for the year 2019-2020 of $4,000.

Volunteer Service Award and Bylaws
ACTION: The council approved that the following changes be recommended for the TDA Bylaws to remove individual volunteer service awards:

Bylaws Chapter IX / Councils / Section 150.

E. Replace entire paragraph with

“The TDA membership will be gauged periodically for their volunteer service hours for use in providing information regarding oral health assistance to the underserved.”

Volunteer Service Award and Council & Committee Handbook

ACTION: The council approved that the following changes be recommended for the Council & Committees Handbook:

- Page 20 / Local Arrangements / 3rd para:
  - Delete “Volunteer Service Awards”.

- Page 24/Council on State Agencies, Awards, ...
  - B. Delete “Volunteer Service Awards”.

- Page 25/Council on State Agencies, Awards
  - Item E. – Mirror the Bylaws change and remove the eligibility criteria completely.

Board of Dentistry Appointments for Terms Expiring 3/31/2020

The council will report back this summer with names of those interested in serving on the Tennessee Board of Dentistry for the following terms expiring March 31, 2020:

- Thomas Williams / Middle Tennessee
- David Travis / West Tennessee

Volunteer Service Survey Information for 2018

From the online Survey Monkey and the paper surveys returned, the TDA has received the following responses:

| Responses | 276 |
| TOTAL HOURS | 10,085 |

Closing

All members were encouraged to attend the TDA Annual Session and the President’s Party on Friday night where the awards will be presented.
New Dentist Committee
Elizabeth Randall, D.D.S., Chair

TN New Dentist Committee Conference Call

Monday, February 25th

Present: Dr. Taylor Jarrell, Dr. Beth Randall, Dr. Jake Bateman, Dr. Candice Coleman, Dr. Chip Trammell, Dr. Heath Blockley, Mr. Mike Dvorak, Ms. Megan Norris

Absent: Dr. Joseph Blalock, Dr. Julia Prince, Dr. Les Hunter, Dr. Richard Sullivan

Minutes from August 20, 2018’s conference call approved.

Review of Mission Statement: “The TDA New Dentists Committee is here to promote involvement and participation in organized dentistry for dentists in their first 10 years out of school, while providing networking opportunities and functioning as a voice for the new dentist as they transition from graduate to practitioner.”

District Reports

District 1- Dr. Jake Bateman - Social a couple weeks ago at an indoor Top Golf type venue. 12-15 attendees. Next event late March/early April – Dr. Van Guthrie will be coming to this meeting to learn about Jake’s position.

District 2- Dr. Taylor Jarrell — Tagged onto our district’s Dental Alliance dinner in the fall. SDDS agreed to pay for any new dentists that attended. We had 4 new dentists attend that event. We had 3 new dentists join our district at our January SDDS meeting. Young Dentist Social held just a few weeks ago on Feb 5 at Abridged Co. in Knoxville. Kept it free for attendance & invited significant others & families. Crown Tennant Advisors sponsored (re: Connie Pope, see below). Around 40 attendees came! It was a biggest turnout for a young dentist event - ever! A few attendees took applications for Tripartite membership - will need to contact our district exec director to see what becomes of those.

District 3- Dr. Beth Randall - Happy Hour Social at November Meeting - 8-12 new dentists showed up to mingle before the meeting. Going to do a repeat happy hour in April. Spring Social at an axe-throwing venue!

District 4- Dr. Joseph Blalock - They have not had a district meeting since June. Once they do have an event, he will focus on getting new dentists to attend. Very busy with his podcast!

District 5- Dr. Richard Sullivan - No report

District 6- Dr. Les Hunter - No report
District 7- Dr. Chip Trammell - Winter Meeting was 2 weeks ago - had a good turnout. Speaker talked about implants and implant overdentures. 7th district golf tournament in the fall - Chip was able to make the announcement at the winter meeting that it will be 9/27 this year. Mission of Mercy event in Jackson, TN March 22nd-23rd, trying to get some young dentists to come help. A couple of upcoming dental students are going to help with that as well. Installation of Officers is April 12 - always invite new members (just 2 this year), they will be invited to attend for free. Chip is ending his 3 year term this year - potential replacement lined up.

District 8- Dr. Candice Coleman - New Dentist Social in October at her home - BBQ was served, provided a speaker. About 30-35 attendees! Great turnout. 8th district meets about once a month, not a huge turnout because the CE is typically not very exciting, but having a social aspect seems to really pull people out to come to events.

District 9- Dr. Julia Prince - All D4 students invited to attend meeting, Signing Day in April.

Review Annual Reports

Meharry Rep- Dr. Sullivan - no report

UT Rep- Dr. Prince - UT usually has a golf tournament that we contribute gift cards, etc, too. We haven’t used up all of our budget this year.

Social Rep- Dr. Randall - we will be helping with the After-Hours Dance Party at TDA meeting

Contact for Sponsorship: Connie Pope- cpope@crowntenantadvisors.com

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(Dennis Yokum, managing director, attended Taylor’s event in Knoxville)

Communications Rep- Dr. Blalock - We will have the podcasts up and running at the TDA annual session!

Secretary- Dr. Jarrell - No new updates

Governance Rep- Dr. Prince - no new updates

Scientific Council Rep- Dr. Bateman - no new updates

Membership Rep- Dr. Coleman - Trying to figure out a time to meet in March with Megan - nothing to report at this time.

Life and Dentistry CE Event, March 23rd, 2019- Dr. Blalock in Lexington KY.
January 26th TDA Board Meeting Report- Dr. Heath Blockley - Motion was passed that no money from general funds (aka membership dollars) will be spent on alcohol for general members (at the annual session or at meetings concerning the TDA). - excludes sponsors paying for alcohol.

ASDA District 4 Meeting Report- Dr. Randall and Dr. Blalock - In February, ASDA district 4 held their meeting in Chattanooga. Huge event and turnout at the Westin Downtown. Life and Dentistry attended and did their podcast, Dr. Randall lectured on suturing. Dean Ragain was present as well!

Policy Update- Alcohol- Dr. Randall

Sponsorship vs. “Host Liquor Liability Coverage”

**Make sure your district has some sort of host liquor liability coverage if you have an event at your home or somewhere without bartenders. These types of events are typically not under the umbrella of the TDA. Check with your executive director of your district to see if you have this type of coverage, and report back so we can see what we need to do to have this type of coverage.

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Updates from the TDA Office- Mr. Dvorak

In the middle of legislation and working on the annual sessions - President’s Party (music theme) and After-Hours Dance Party, Cook-out prior on Saturday night. Excited about having the podcasts again! Next board meeting is April 6 - no new resolutions going to the board from the New Dentist Committee.

Meeting at TDA Annual Session on Friday Morning, June 7th, 2019, 7am or 7:30am?

Most likely going to be at 7:30am - potentially could push it back to accommodate other meetings. Megan will send out an email re: times for other meetings so we can decide a time. Beth encourages those that are rotating off to bring their replacements to the June meeting. We will also be electing a new chairman of the new dentist committee. If interested, shoot Beth an email.

Hosting After-Hours Dance Party on Saturday, June 8th 9:00pm
Social Media focus - What is our plan for social media at the TDA Annual Session? Goal is to get more pictures up on social media earlier in the annual session - and to develop a hashtag for the event. #TDAAnnualSession2019

Next meeting: In person meeting at TDA Annual Session on June 7th

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**Anesthesia, Sedation and Scope of Practice**

**Anthony Carroccia, D.D.S., Chair**

The TDA's Anesthesia, Sedation and Scope of Practice Committee met by Zoom on 19 March 2019 as there would not be a quorum present at the TDA Meeting in June 2019.

Members Participating: George Adams Jr, Anthony Carroccia-chair, Walter Chitwood, Steven Daniel, Chuck Felts, Mitch Godat, Josh Hethcox, Les Hunter, Kevin Kennedy, Andy Lunn, Lindsey Nagy, Brandon Roller, John Williams, Terry Sawyer

Members Not Participating: Jamie Hutton, Sanford Prince, Chris Rowland, Jason Sammons

1. It was resolved, on a motion by Chuck Felts, that we would not look into further action on auxiliary staff performing venipuncture. It is not listed as a permitted or restricted action by the BOD, therefore, those dentists who wish to cross train their staff in phlebotomy should be allowed to do such and the dentists who wish to perform the procedure themselves will continue just the same.

2. It was resolved, on a motion by Walter Chitwood, that the Committee would welcome the input of the newest ADA specialty of Dental Anesthesiology by asking the President to consider the appointment of one such dental anesthesiologist. CVs of both Drs. Katie Bradford and Matt Yezerski were submitted. Such an appointment would restore the Committee to 19 members that it had before the demise of Dr. Clifton Simmons.

3. It was resolved, on a motion by Mitch Godat, to wait until after facility inspections begin to make recommendations on crash cart contents being updated from the existing BOD lists so as to see what the AAOMS-based inspections will yield, if other office inspectors will be named, etc.

4. It was resolved, on a motion by Kevin Kennedy, that the administration and monitoring of nitrous oxide and oxygen sedation should be allowed to registered dental assistants who have completed a 14 hour course on such in accordance with the ADA Guidelines for Teaching Pain Control and Sedation that is echoed in the certification courses that the registered dental hygienists take in Tennessee due to the wide safety margin and multiple safety features among other reasons. The Committee asks to send this to the Board of Dentistry for consideration.
Governmental Affairs Committee
Leon Stanislav, D.D.S., Chair

The Governmental Affairs Committee met by conference call on Friday, February 15, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

Members present: Drs. Leon Stanislav, Chair, Randy Montgomery, Bill Powell, Rick Kinard, James Hight Jr., and Jeannie Beauchamp

Also present: Mr. Jack Fosbinder, Mr. Mark Greene, Dr. Keith Gilmore, Ms. Anna Richardson, Mr. Mike Dvorak, Mrs. Amy Williams, and Ms. Heather Cagle

Members absent: Dr. Chad Eslinger, Dr. Walter Owens, Dr. James Avery and Dr. Roy Thompson

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Dr. Leon Stanislav, Chair, Eighth District Dental Society.

The following topics were discussed:

- An Act to Amend TN Code Annotated, Title 53 and Title 63, relative to Dental Care (Hygiene Bill) Certain language in the bill is open ended and a decision was made for Mr. Jack Fosbinder and Mr. Mark Greene to approach Lobbyist Mike Bivens and Matthew Hill to make amendments/change wording. TDA’s stance on this is yet to be determined.

- Dentists being able to prescribe certain medications “in scope of practice”. Complaints have been made that some pharmacists/pharmacies will not fill certain prescriptions written to patients.

- HB1378 Environment and Nature: Annual report on status of water quality bill. Dr. Bill Powell expressed concern over this caption bill.

Next committee meeting to be held in June at Annual Session.
Wellness Committee

David R. Sain, D.D.S., Chair

The Wellness Committee met on May 4, 2018

Meeting called to order by President Dr. Dale Kennedy 7:05 AM. Members present include: Drs. David Sain, John Burns, Dale Kennedy, Jerry Gilpin, Phillip Head, Joe Upton, and Marylou Simpson. Drs. Nancy Johnson Williams and Jim Proctor participated via teleconference from Memphis. Our consultants Dr. Edward Eastham and Tommy Malone were also present.

A motion was made and passed approving minutes that were emailed to all members. Discussion and explanation of random drug screen took place with emphasis on making sure all TDA members had confidence in our recovery. An article for the Delta Dental Newsletter was discussed. A motion was made, seconded, and carried that we will adapt some of the information on the website for this article. Volunteers were asked for input concerning the TDA Newsletter Article we do each year. A discussion with general agreement was made to, if possible, use an article from the book published by the ADA, *An ADA Guide to Substance Use Disorder and Safe Prescribing*.

A long discussion about becoming a 501c3 was next on the agenda. The pros and possible cons were discussed. After much discussion a motion was made, seconded, and carried unanimously to proceed with becoming a 501c3.

A number of discussions followed including: We will have a meeting annually at the retreat, the website was demonstrated and discussed, helping host the International Doctors of Alcoholics Anonymous (IDAA) which is in Knoxville this year. It was agreed that we would help with the dental component of the meeting.
TENN-D-PAC

K. Jean Beauchamp, D.D.S., Chair

TENN-D-PAC Board met on October 5, 2018

Members Present: Dr. Dale Blevins, Dr. Leon Stanislav, Dr. Randy Montgomery, Dr. Mike Law, Dr. Dennis Sigman, Dr. Mitch Baldree, Dr. David Magee, Dr. Jeannie Beauchamp, and Dr. James Avery

Others Present: Mr. Jack Fosbinder, Mr. Mark Greene, Mr. Mike Dvorak, Ms. Amy Williams

Call to Order: 11:05 a.m.

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. David Magee, Seventh District, the minutes of the June 29, 2018 meeting were approved.

MOTION: The Board approved general election campaign contributions in the amount of $7,500. List attached.

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Dale Blevins, Chair, the Board approved that Dr. Jeannie Beauchamp be president of the PAC Board beginning June 2019 and Dr. Leon Stanislav remain Secretary/Treasurer.

MOTION: On a motion by Dr. Beauchamp, the Board voted to name Dr. Blevins as the PAC Board Chair Emeritus as of June 2019.

Dues Statement: The Board discussed the current contribution amount suggested on the dues statement - $125. The Board requested statistics on contribution by age. The Board will review this in two years prior to the next general election.
TDA Foundation
G. Robert Hopper, D.D.S., Chair

The TDA Foundation met on Friday, May 4, 2018 at 2:17pm at the Cool Springs Marriott in Franklin, TN.

Members present: Dr. G Robert Hopper, Dr. William Powell, Dr Mitch Baldree, Dr. Ernest Dewald, Dr. Michael Lamb, Dr. John Petty, Dr. Brian West, Mr. Frank McMeen, Mr. Con Knox

Non-Members present: Brittany Hall

Members absent: Dr. Steven Alsobrook, Dr. Steve Sawrie, Dr. Dennis Gardner, Dr. Steve Nowlin

The meeting was called to order at 2:17pm by Chair Hopper.

The minutes from the last meeting on May 18, 2017 were approved,

Background on the foundation and update on the beginning of the TDAF was presented by Dr. William Powell.

University of Tennessee presented research articles to the TDAF from the Summer Dental Students. It was announced that the first check from the UT Scholarship funded by the TDAF will be presented to a dental student May 10, 2018.

Mr. Russ Miller, CEO and Executive Director of the TN Medical Association has agreed to service on the TDAF Board as the Middle TN representation. Motion was presented and passed for Mr. Miller to join the board.

There was no current treasurers report. West Tennessee Healthcare Foundation gave the following report:

- Endowment Fund $162,000
- Growth in fund since inception $19,300
- Funds Available to Spend (Non-invested) $27,443
- Funds Available from last year to spend (non- invested) approx. $20,000
- New fund for 2018 $7,443
- Total Available at WTHF $27,443.

It was discussed that based on current needs to fund programs the TDAF this year could operate on current dues and contributions. Dr. Hopper suggested an implementation of a capital fund endowment campaign to grow the endowment to 300,000-400,00 at which point the endowment would be self- perpetuating. After discussion Frank McMeen made a motion to move up to 100,000 into the endowment pending confirmation of funds available. It was decided that approximately $30,000 be available for expenses and remainder of WTHF funds roll back in to endowment. Motion was passed.
Dr. Hopper noted that Dr. Jay Hight honored 18 fellow dentists plus his staff this past year through TDAF donations. The board voted to send him a commendation for his multiple contributions to the TDAF.

It was noted that the state certificate to register for solicitation was approved.

TDAF fund drive was discussed. Increased revenue this year was probably a result of TDAF contribution added to the dues statement. Board agreed to add a $50 contribution amount on dues statement.

It was discussed and recommended that the TDAF hold a small auction of a few items on a table at the annual session. Item suggestions include coolers, UT tickets, houseboat rental, Florida condo.

Summer letters were discussed and Dr. Hooper requested each member relay to the TDA membership the programs the TDAF has sponsored and highlight the new contribution form which includes donations to the TDAF in honor/memory of staff, family, friends and patients.

Dental Lifeline Network: Dr. Powell gave background on DLN. State approved for funds is pending. Dr. Powell thanked the board for continuing to fund this program. Dr. Mitch Baldree made a motion to grant the DLN request of $5,000 for the year. The motion was passed.

The fund request letter from the University of TN college of Dentistry was reviewed. Dr. Brian West motioned that $12,000 be given to the student research program. The motion was passed.

The check will be presented at a later time in the afternoon to Dr. Stan Covington Dean of UTCHS.

It was noted that the contribution form needed to amend from the “LG Noel Level” to another distinction for contributions in the $5,000 level. A motion was made to change the level to the “Platinum” level. Motion was passed.

It was requested that each district receive names of contributors from the past 2 years so that each board member could contact prior contributors and/or send a personal note thanking them for their contributions.

Mr. Con Knox will send the board members a proposal to offer ID theft insurance to TDA members which offers the TDAF 4% of revenue back to the TDAF. The board will review his proposal as well as review with the TDA staff and legal. This could be a positive fundraiser for the TDAF.
Jack Robinson, Jr., of the law firm of Gullett, Sanford, Robinson & Martin, PLLC in Nashville, Tennessee, attorneys for the Tennessee Dental Association, submits the following summary of services performed by the firm on behalf of the Association since the last Annual Report:

- Reviewed leases for space in TDA building and provided advice regarding landlord-tenant matters
- Provided advice regarding the interpretation of TDA Bylaws, as they relate to the TDA’s relationship with component societies
- Reviewed and provided suggested revisions to proposed employee policies
- Provided advice regarding peer review protections under the applicable statutes
- Made presentation at Mid-States Dental Leaders Conference on how to limit liability
- Provided advice with respect to employee matters
- Reviewed and provided suggested revisions to proposed endorsement agreements
- Drafted releases and non-disclosure provisions for patient mediations
- Reviewed and provided suggested revisions to governance documents for component societies
- Served as parliamentarian for House of Delegates
- Reviewed and provided suggested revisions to proposed affiliation agreement
- Attended ADA conference on legal issues facing the dental profession, conferring with other state dental association attorneys
- Drafted attorney response letter to TDA auditors in conjunction with annual audit of TDA
- Made presentation at workshop for new trustees
- Researched certain legal issues involving dentistry and provided advice regarding them
• Reviewed statutes and regulations regarding the practice of dentistry and responded to inquiries regarding them

• Reviewed and provided advice regarding Sarbanes-Oxley and whether it applies to TDA

• Responded to inquiries regarding rules and actions of the Tennessee Board of Dentistry

• Reviewed proposed contracts and submitted suggestions

• Reviewed TDA Constitution and Bylaws and responded to inquiries regarding them

• Reviewed court opinions and called attention to any which related to dentistry

• Responded to other inquiries on various topics in conjunction with the operation of TDA executive office, prepared correspondence and reports, and conferred as needed with TDA executive director and other TDA personnel