

**MINUTES  
TENNESSEE BOARD OF DENTISTRY  
TELECONFERENCE**

**Date:** FEBRUARY 27, 2015

**Location:** Tennessee Department of Health  
665 Mainstream Drive  
Nashville TN 37243

**Members participating electronically:**

Charles E. Holt, Jr., DDS, President  
Nadim Jubran, DDS, Vice-President  
Mary R. Warner, RDH Sec/Tres  
Ernest J. DeWald DDS  
Katherine Hall, DDS (joined after initial roll call)  
Dan Thomas Meadows, DDS  
Stephen J. Maroda, Jr., DDS  
Randall Prince, DDS  
Airica Brooke Puckett, RDH  
Bettye Lynn Richert, Consumer Member  
Mary Ellen Vaughn, RDA

**Staff Present:** Dea Smith, Executive Director  
Sue Kerley, Board Administrator  
Jennifer Putnam, Assistant General Counsel

A teleconference meeting of the Board of Dentistry was held on February 27, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. in the Poplar Room, 665 Mainstream Drive Nashville TN 37243 to obtain the Board's position on HB976.

Ms. Kerley opened the meeting by taking the members through the procedural steps necessary to convene an electronic meeting. After a roll call vote, the Board agreed to proceed with the meeting electronically. The Board determined that the subject matter required timely action; that the physical presence of all members was not possible considering the period of time required for action; and the participation of some or all of the members of the Board by electronic or other means was necessary. The meeting was then turned over to Jennifer Putnam, Assistant General Counsel.

After discussion, Dr. Jubran made a motion that the Chair send a letter to the sponsors of HB976/SB1214 expressing the Board's opposition to the bill. Second was given by Dr. DeWald. Motion carried by roll call vote. Dr. Jubran amended his motion directing the Chair to send a letter to the sponsors of HB976 expressing the Board's opposition to the bill, and if the bill passes through Committee, send a copy of the letter to all members of the Legislature. Vote on the motion as amended carried by roll call vote. The consensus of the board was that this bill does not protect the people of Tennessee.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.