

MINUTES
TENNESSEE BOARD OF DENTISTRY
ANESTHESIA COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: January 7, 2020

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

Members Present: Richard A. Gaw, D.D.S.
Brian D. West, D.M.D.
George A. Adams, D.D.S.

Staff Present: Dea Smith, Executive Director
Jennifer Putnam, Assistant General Counsel

Dr. Brian West called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m. A roll call of members present was taken and all members were present.

The committee met to review and discuss the Sedation Education Academy request for their comprehensive conscious sedation course to be given a board approved designation. The committee reviewed and discussed. After review, Dr. West made the motion to approve the course. Second was by Dr. Richard Gaw. Motion carried.

The committee reviewed information that had been submitted regarding some of the faculty of the Academy of Dental and Medical Anesthesia (ADMA), a comprehensive conscious sedation course provider that was approved by the committee and Board in 2018. Information had been submitted that indicated that several of the faculty had discipline in other state and criminal convictions. The committee had requested at the last meeting that a letter be sent to ADMA requesting that they update the committee on the discipline and convictions and how this has been remedied. The committee reviewed and discussed the additional submissions and Dr. West made the motion to continue board certification/approval. Dr. Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The committee reviewed documentation submitted by ADMA regarding a group of dentists who had enrolled in the course in 2019. Dr. Johnny Williams had taken the course in 2019 where the background of the faculty had been discovered by the attendees. Dr. Williams was present has explained how ADMA had assisted him in completing the course at an alternate location. Dr. West made the motion to accept his completion of the course. Dr. Gaw seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.