Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: Friday, June 12, 2026

Time: 9:00 AM

Board members present:

- Dr. Cara Jones
- Dr. Jeffrey Wisener
- Dr. Allen Williams
- Dr. Robert Carlisle
- Dr. D. Keith Jones
- Dr. Brandon Kitchens
- Mrs. Marcia Cook

Board staff present:

- Meredith Rogers, Executive Director
- Corneshia Harrison, Administrative Analyst
- William Puddephatt, Attorney

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes from the May 1, 2026 meeting.

Fictitious Name Requests

The following fictitious names were reviewed and approved by the Board:

- **"Hometown Family Dental"** (Dr. Brandon Gooch)
- **"Southwest Dental Care"** (Dr. Billy Machen)
- **"Beaver Lake Orthodontics"** (Dr. Nancy Ha)
- **"Fergus Spades Dental Care"** (Dr. Herman Hurd)

Complaint Committee Report

Meredith Rogers reported on the Complaint Committee meeting that was held on Thursday, June 11, 2026 at 6 pm. Committee members present were Dr. Cara Jones, Dr. Jeffrey Wisener, Dr. Allen Williams, and Mrs. Marcia Cook. Two complaints were reviewed and dismissed. The next Complaint Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 6 pm.

Approval of Board Meeting Dates for 2026-2027

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the following dates: September 18, 2026, November 6, 2026, January 8, 2027, March 5, 2027, May 7, 2027 and June 11, 2027.

Board Officer Election

The following officers were elected for 2026-2027:

President: Dr. Jeffrey Wisener

Vice-President: Dr. Allen Williams

Secretary/Treasurer: Dr. D. Keith Jones

Presentation - Arkansas Medical Foundation

Rebecca Gaston, program director for the Arkansas Medical Foundation, presented on their services for assisting practitioners in trouble, including monitoring and support programs. She noted they currently have only two dentists in their program and discussed their suicide prevention program for licensed healthcare practitioners.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, September 18, 2026 at 9 am via Zoom.



Respectfuly submitted,
Meredith Rogers, Executive Director