

MICHIGAN DENTAL HYGIENISTS' ASSOCIATION
101st ANNUAL MEETING
43rd HOUSE OF DELEGATES
October 19, 2024

Minutes

Saturday, October 19, 2024

- I. The 101st Annual Meeting of the Michigan Dental Hygienists' Association and the 43rd Annual House of Delegates Opening Session convened at 9:00 a.m., Saturday, October 19, 2024, with officers, trustees, delegates, students, and guests in attendance. The group was welcomed by Speaker of the House Beavers.
- II. Historian Budnik presented a power point as a tribute to the Dental Hygienist that passed during the year: Lynn Radke, Cheryl Bentley, Lynn Marie Hornyak. Member Nichole Gale announced the Outstanding Hygienist of the Year: Cheryl Bentley Grand Shores , Deb Hurst Greater Detroit, Bonnie Arnst Great Lakes Bay , Jheri Smolin Northland. Life Member: Janiece Brouwers.
- III. President Mishler spoke about her year as President and the goals that she accomplished. She thanked the officers, trustees, councils, and everyone who helped make her year as President a success.
- IV. Lobbying firm Acuitas, Nealie Andrews, gave the group a Legislative update. District V director Jerelyn Smith gave an update from District V. There is a new graduate membership through ADHA that saves 35% membership fees for the first two years.
- V. Speaker Beavers called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and gave brief announcements.
- VI. Sergeant-at-Arms Lamphere announced that 37 delegates were seated. Speaker Beavers announced there is a quorum.
- VII. Pledge was read by all attendees
- VIII. Adoption of the Virtual Standing Rules. Standing rules suspended to allow 4 additional delegates to be seated. The Quorum changed to 41 delegates.
- IX. Adoption of the Agenda
- X. Adoption of 2023 HOD Minutes
- XI. Acceptance of Annual Reports
- XII. Presentation of the Slate of Nominees:
President Elect – Stacey Schramm
Vice President – Katelyn Fontana
Speaker of the House – Danielle Lamsa
- XIV. Nominations from the Floor:
No Nominations

MDHA Delegates to ADHA from the floor:
Marge Buehner
Paige Forth

- XV. Announcements were made by attendees and Speaker of the House Beavers.
- XVI. Adjourned First Session at 11:30 am.

Sunday October 20, 2024

- I. Speaker Beavers called the Second meeting to order at 9:10 am
- II. Announced Sergeant-at-Arms Lamphere
- III. Sergeant-at-Arms Lamphere announced that 41 delegates were seated. Speaker Beavers announced there is a quorum.
- IV. Reference Committee Reports

Proposed Bylaw 2

Amend Article VII Section 1a to decrease the number of delegates for the house of delegates meeting to 31 granting each component a minimum of 3 delegates.

To Read: Voting Members. The voting members of the House of Delegates shall consist of thirty-one (31) certified delegates from the components. Each component shall be entitled to at least three (3) delegates regardless to the number of Voting Members in said component. These three (3) delegates shall be the President and two (2) Voting Members-at-Large from each component. The remaining delegates necessary to comprise a total of thirty-one (31), shall be allocated to the components in the ratio of Voting Members of said component to the total number of Voting Members of the Association determined according to the membership figures of the ADHA. Elected delegates shall be elected by the Voting Members of the Component, which they represent. 'For each delegate allocated to a component, that component may have one alternate delegate.

Adopt

Proposed Bylaw 3

Amend Article IV section 3 by inserting electronic before the word ballot.

To read: Section 3. Elections/Term of Office. The President-Elect and the Vice President shall be elected by electronic ballot by the House of Delegates to serve for one year or until their successors are elected. The President-Elect, upon completion of the term, shall automatically become President. The President, upon completion of the term, shall automatically become the Immediate Past President. The Treasurer and Speaker of the House shall be elected by electronic ballot by the House of Delegates to serve for two years or until a successor is elected. The Treasurer shall be elected in odd-numbered years and the Speaker of the House in even numbered years. In the event that no nominee receives a majority of votes cast shall be dropped and a new electronic ballot taken. The same procedure shall continue until one of the nominees receives a majority of the voices cast. Component trustees shall be

elected by their component. In the event a component fails to elect a Trustee from its membership, The House of Delegates shall elect a Trustee Pro-Ten to serve for that component.

Adopt

Proposed Bylaw 5

Amend Article VI section 1 by striking online publisher and webmaster

To Read: Section 1. Appointed Officers. The Historian, Parliamentarian, and others as determined by the Board of Trustees shall be the appointed officers of the Association.

Subsequently also striking mention of these roles in all remaining bylaws including: Article VII section 1f: Webmaster

Adopt

Proposed Bylaw 6

New Professional membership may be granted to any individual who has (i) graduated from an accredited dental hygiene program within the past two years; and (ii) is licensed to practice in any state, territory, or possession of the United States if such license is required for the practice of dental hygiene.

Adopt as Amended

Proposed RESOLUTION 1 SUBJECT: LICENSURE

Resolution: The Michigan Dental Hygienists' Association opposes scaling with any tissue-cutting instruments performed by all dental assistants and unregistered dental auxiliaries.

Adopt as Amended

Proposed RESOLUTION 2 SUBJECT: PRACTICE

Resolution: The Michigan Dental Hygienists' Association advocates for the pursuit of professional autonomy.

Adopt as Amended

Proposed RESOLUTION 4

SUBJECT: EDUCATION

Resolution: (rescinding HOD 02-03) The Michigan Dental Hygienists' Association advocates for educational loan forgiveness and/or repayment programs for dental hygienists providing services in underserved populations.

Adopt as Amended

Proposed RESOLUTION 5

SUBJECT: LICENSURE

Resolution:

Rescind HOD 07-10: (rescinding HOD 06-08) The Michigan Dental Hygienists' Association supports the MBOD in offering one hour of continuing education credit for two hours of volunteer dental hygiene scope of practice services for licensure.

Adopt

Proposed RESOLUTION 6

SUBJECT: DH PRACTICE

Resolution: Amend HOD 16-09: The Michigan Dental Hygienists' Association supports evidence-based preventive and therapeutic agents.

Adopt as Amended

- V. Election Results
President Elect – Stacey Schramm – 39 Votes
Vice President – Katelyn Fontana – 39 Votes
Speaker of the House – Danielle Lamsa – 39 Votes

MDHA Delegates to ADHA
Marge Buehner – 36 Votes
Paige Forth – 36 Votes

Alternates:
Stephanie Timms – 1 write in vote
Livia Pereira – 1 write in vote

- VI. New Officers, Trustees and the ADHA Delegate were installed by Jane Halaris, Jane Reagan, Chris Farrell, and Charlotte Wyche. Trustees, new and reaffirmed, were acknowledged.

President Sutton addressed the House in her Presidential speech. The Theme for this year is “Planting for the Future.”

Speaker Beavers called for announcements from the floor. The next House of Delegates will be Virtual in 2025.

Speaker Beavers adjourned the 101st Annual Meeting and the 43rd House of Delegates of the MDHA at 12:10 pm.