

Indiana Dental Association  
**Actions of the Council on Government Affairs**  
January 8, 2016 2:00 pm  
IDA Central Office – 1319 E. Stop 10 Road, Indianapolis, IN 46227

1. Council approved October 30, 2015 and December 21, 2015 meeting minutes.
2. Council reviewed plans and registrations for January 20, 2016 Dental Day.
3. Council heard presentation by Dr. Jenny Neese on Leadership Pipeline. Council asked that the presentation be circulated throughout the association.
4. Council was updated on the progress of the Key Contact Database. Council approved the Key Contact and Component Legislative Liaison Job Descriptions. Work continues on the database and Dr. Walden will coordinate with IDA staff to speed the progress.
5. Council was briefed on the legislative priorities, including a new Inspect Opioid control and Medical Malpractice bills.
6. Council received Access to Quality Care Task Force
7. Council reviewed the issues with the Indiana State Board of Dentistry appointments, omnibus rules review and IDA response.
8. Council discussed IDA participation in the Washington Leadership Conference
9. Next meeting of the Council is scheduled for 2 pm on Friday, April 1, 2016 at the IDA Central Office.

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Present: Drs. Steve Holm, Jenny Neese, Dave Holwager, Keith Roberts, John Roberts, Marty Szakaly, Terry Schechner, Chad Leighty, Steve Towns, Dave Walden, Jay Asdell, Jim Shupe, J. Mark Thomas, Chuck Poland, and Mr. Doug Bush, Mr. Ed Popcheff, and Mr. Jay Dziwlik.

Absent: Drs. Theo Aneziris, Rob Corns, Deb Fleming, Maritza Jenkins, Jim Miller, and John Jansen.

I. Welcome Introductions

Dr. Holm opened the meeting at 2:00 pm.

II. Minutes

Dr. Holm asked the council to review the minutes for approval. Council approved the both October 30, 2015 and December 21, 2015 meeting minutes as submitted.

III. Reports on Council Priorities for the year:

A. Dental Day update -

IDA Staff provided and update on agenda and attendees to date. Council asked for emails be sent to participants with details of the day.

B. Leadership Pipeline / Advocacy Fellowship Program - Drs. Neese

Dr. Jenny Neese presented her work and thoughts on future leadership pipeline. Council commended the presentation and discussed applications. Council suggested we pass this information onto communications and rest of the IDA.

C. Grassroots contact dentists - Drs. Towns, Walden

Drs. Walden and Towns reported on the progress toward the Grassroots contact dentists. Progress continues slowly but is still a priority. IDA staff asked for feedback on Key Contact and Legislative Liaison job descriptions. Council discussed. Council approved. Dr. Walden will be working with IDA staff to speed the completion of the component database.

IV. Legislative Priorities:

IDA Staff reported on the start of the session and immediately two new issues have risen on Inspect and Medical Malpractice. Ed distributed draft bills. Council discussed the INSPECT bill. The majority of council agrees that the IDA should support mandatory registration on INSPECT for dentists prescribing narcotics.

Staff discussed the SB174 for medical malpractice and explained the portions of the proposed legislation. Council discussed position to lower threshold and oppose indexing.

Student loan forgiveness – no sample language yet but believe it will be handled in a study committee through a resolution from the senate health committee.

#### Hygiene legislation

IDA staff highlighted the part of the IDHA proposed legislation and the coordination with the IDHA. Staff asked about the concern with prescriptive supervision being extended to 90 days from 45. Council supported. Senator Miller will most likely oppose the Nitrous Oxide section of the bill.

#### Medicaid Integrity Audit (formerly RAC)

Waiting for draft sample language from Representative Bacon.

Commented on the Veterinary dentistry and the equine practice of “floating teeth” without the presence of veterinarian. IDA was asked for an opinion. Council discussed and supported the vet supervising procedures, IDA staff researching further.

#### V. Access to Quality Care Task Force

Dr. Holwager reported on progress on the issue. The RFP process is ongoing with some decisions expected at the end of March. MMIS put out a notice yesterday of a possible 30 day shutdown of Medicaid payments due to a switch over to portal system. IDA is trying to confirm details but calls were not yet returned. There are deep concerns about the process and the drafted a couple of bulletins that are going to be distributed. Several dentists expressed frustrations trying to sign up for HIP 2.0 plus since March 2015. Council discussed communications to members, lawmakers, policy makers, etc.

IDA should look at a position paper on mobile dentistry. Other topics to be addressed would be “Concerns on the Future on Indiana Dental Medicaid” and on the topic of teledentistry.

#### VI. Indiana State Board of Dentistry

Doug Bush addressed the recent activity of the Indiana State Board of Dentistry. Board will handle this tomorrow in their meeting.

#### VII. Washington Leadership Conference discussion

Council discussed have a small delegation to represent the IDA during the May conference. Drs. Holm, Roberts, Neese and Mr. Bush to attend on behalf of IDA. Council discussed having an Indiana “back home in the district” event to meet and greet lawmakers on recess from Washington during that same ADA conference time. Council expressed disappointment with the conflict but thought the home district contacts could be beneficial. Drs. Holwager, Towns to explore options.

VIII. Future Meeting

Next meeting of the council is scheduled for 2 pm, Friday, April 1, 2016 at the IDA Central Office

IX. Adjourn – Dr. Holm adjourned the meeting at 4:54 pm