

**Florida Dental Association  
House of Delegates  
Semi-Annual Session  
January 2018**

**MINUTES**

**FIRST SESSION**

NOTICED START OF MEETING: 1 p.m.

DATE: Friday, January 26, 2018

LOCATION: Hillsborough Grand Ballroom, Tampa Airport Marriott

SPEAKER-OF-THE-HOUSE: Dr. Ethan Pansick

PRESIDENT: Dr. Mike Eggnatz

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**CALL TO ORDER OF FIRST SESSION**

Dr. Ethan Pansick, Speaker of the House, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and Dr. Paramore gave the invocation and Americanism

**LEGAL COMPLIANCE STATEMENT**

Dr. Ethan Pansick reminded the House of legal compliance.

**RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS, KEYNOTE SPEAKER AND BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

Dr. Mike Eggnatz recognized several distinguished guests and new HOD members. Dr. Suzi Thiems-Heflin and Inova introduced Mr. Robert Stevenson, who spoke on the Relentless Pursuit of Excellence. Throughout the HOD meeting, there were breakout sessions presented on dental therapy by Joe Anne Hart and Florida licensure process by Casey Stoutamire, Esq. and Mr. Larry Darnell.

**REPORT OF THE FDA PRESIDENT**

Dr. Mike Eggnatz recognized FDA volunteers and staff for their membership successes and commented on how well the FDA is represented at the ADA level due to Drs. Marron-Tarrazzi, Rick Huot, Alan Friedel, Don Ilkka, and Cesar Sabates. He congratulated Dr. Bird on his annual Turkey Trot while chairing the PAC and practicing dentistry. He reported on the FDA’s efforts to defeat the dental therapy agenda. He recognized Dr. Philip Glatstein for his legacy in organized dentistry and showed a dental parody video.

**REPORT OF THE 17<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT TRUSTEE**

Dr. Cesar Sabates reported (via video) that Dr. Rick Huot was elected as 2nd Vice President to the ADA. He recognized the work done regarding specialty recognition and the ADA Bylaws and briefed the HOD on work being done to offer a health insurance program to members. He reported that new dentist members on ADA Councils will get voting privileges and that the ADA HOD retained authority over the budget. He congratulated the FDA on gaining two new delegates and alternates and announced the FDA is leading the nation in membership growth. He asked to survey the HOD on whether they thought the ADA should pursue a dental Medicare benefit.

**FLORIDA DENTAL ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION REPORT**

Dr. Bob Payne, president of the Florida Dental Association Foundation, reported on the new Foundation Bylaws and thanked Drs. Biggs, Jernigan and Paramore for the Pensacola MOM. He announced that Drs. Brown and Paramore impact study on emergency visits will be published in the ADA Journal. He encouraged the 48% of HOD members who have not supported the Foundation to become Emerald Club members and to participate in the MOM in Ft. Myers on March 9 – 10, 2018, and announced the 2019 MOM will be in Orlando on March 22 – 23, 2019.

**PAC REPORTS**

Dr. Bird reminded the HOD that participation in the PACs is crucial to combat dental therapy advocates such as Pew and Kellogg. He recognized Dr. Rudy Liddell and the WCDDA delegation for obtaining the most new Century Club members during the Fall 2017 PAC drive.

## **REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

Dr. Ethan Pansick polled the Credentials Committee and confirmed their attendance. Dr. Mark Limosani reported that a quorum was present.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

The House unanimously approved the minutes of the June 2017 House of Delegates.

## **JUNE 2018 OPENINGS ON DELEGATION TO ADA HOD**

The House approved the component designees and elected the following as at-large delegates: Drs. Bill D' Aiuto, Dave Boden, Steve Zuknick, Beatriz Terry and Dan Gesek. The House then accepted nominations to be voted on tomorrow for at-large alternate delegates.

## **OVERVIEW OF THE REFERENCE COMMITTEE PROCESS**

Dr. Ethan Pansick reminded delegates that an overview of the reference committee process is found in the agenda.

## **COMPOSITION OF REFERENCE COMMITTEE**

Dr. Ethan Pansick announced the schedule for the reference committee. He then verbally reviewed all matters assigned to the reference committee.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. Ethan Pansick announced that the House will reconvene at 8:15 a.m. tomorrow morning.

## **ADJOURNMENT OF FIRST SESSION**

Without objection, the first session of the House was adjourned at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 26, 2018.

**Florida Dental Association  
House of Delegates  
January 2018**

**MINUTES**

**SECOND SESSION**

NOTICED START OF MEETING: 8:15 a.m.

DATE: Saturday, January 27, 2018

LOCATION: Hillsborough Grand Ballroom, Tampa Airport Marriott

PRESIDENT: Dr. Mike Eggnatz

SPEAKER-OF-THE-HOUSE: Dr. Ethan Pansick

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**CALL TO ORDER OF SECOND SESSION**

Dr. Ethan Pansick, FDA Speaker of the House, called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

**REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

Dr. Mark Limosani reported that a quorum was present.

**LEGAL COMPLIANCE REMINDER**

Dr. Pansick reminded all House members to disclose any conflicts of interest they might have before speaking for or against a given issue and gave the anti-trust and legal compliance reminders.

**ELECTION OF ALTERNATE AT-LARGE ALTERNATE DELEGATES TO ADA HOUSE**

The House elected the following as at-large delegates: Drs. John Cordoba, Paul Miller, Robin Nguyen, Linda Niessen, Jeff Ottley, Rodrigo Romano, Suzi Thiems-Heflin, Linda Trotter and Hugh Wunderlich (replacing Dr. Dan Gesek's term).

**CONSIDERATION OF REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

**BYLAWS CHANGE: ALTERNATE TRUSTEES ON HOD**


 The House ADOPTED resolution 2017H-006:

[Policy] RESOLVED, that the FDA Bylaws, Chapter VI, House of Delegates, Section 20, Representation, be amended to read as follows:

**SECTION 20. REPRESENTATION**

The HOD has 103 certified delegates: 100 delegates from the components and one student delegate from each of the three accredited Florida dental schools. FDA line-officers, trustees, and alternate trustees may not be delegates or alternates to the FDA HOD.

**BYLAWS CHANGE: CONTESTED ELECTIONS**

 The House ADOPTED resolution 2017H-040, as amended:

2017H-033S [Policy] RESOLVED, that the FDA Bylaws, Chapter VII, Officers, Section 10, Elective Officers, Paragraph D, be amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER VII. OFFICERS

SECTION 10. ELECTIVE OFFICERS

D. NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS & INSTALLATION

1. The BOT nominates candidates to fill upcoming vacancies in the offices of president-elect, first vice-president, second vice-president, and secretary. The HOD may make additional nominations from the floor for these offices. Nominations from the floor for these offices must be from the same component as the officer currently holding that office. The challenger must be nominated by a member in good standing from the same component. Election for these officers occurs at the HOD annual (June) session. If an elective office is contested, then the protocol for contested elections (i.e., Resolution 2017H-034, incorporated herein by reference) applies.

2. No Change.

3. No Change.


4. No Change.

5. The secretary presents a slate of officers (i.e., president-elect, first vice-president, second vice-president) and other BOT, LDC and HOD nominees (if any), along with each nominee's qualifications, to the HOD at least twenty-one days before the session where the election is to be held. The HOD may always make additional nominations from the floor.

6. No Change.

7. No Change.

## **HOD MANUAL CHANGE: PROTOCOL FOR CONTESTED ELECTIONS**

 The House ADOPTED Resolution 2017H-043, as amended:

2017H-034 [Policy] RESOLVED, that the HOD manual be, and is hereby, amended to include the following protocol for contested elections:

- At the first session of the annual (June) HOD meeting, the Speaker announces all elective line officer positions to allow additional nominees from the floor. For a candidate to be added to the slate of candidates he/she must be a member from the same component as the line officer he/she is challenging. Any member in good standing from the challenger's component must make a motion to add the challenger's name to the slate of candidates. No officer or trustee can make this motion. A second is not needed.
- No formal campaigning will be allowed before the HOD. Candidates may contact individual delegates, but are not allowed to give speeches at caucus meetings. FDA staff will not provide lists of delegates to candidates.
- Each candidate will address the House for 3 minutes with no questions being asked from the floor. Each candidate will remain in the room while the other is addressing the House.
- Each component may invite the candidates to their breakfast caucus during the House of Delegates. BOT members are asked to refrain from walking with candidates into caucus, but should rather remain neutral in caucus proceedings in districts that are not their own.
- The election is conducted via written, anonymous ballots. For contested office, there is one ballot containing the names of all nominees for that individual office. Further, the Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure used by the American Institute of Parliamentary Procedure, which governs the FDA, allows delegates to write in the name of their choice on the ballot whether that person has been nominated or not.
- The credentials committee is responsible for collecting the ballots and counting the votes. The credentials committee disregards ballots that are invalid. For example, voting for more than one candidate, voting for someone who is ineligible to serve, or ballots that are unreadable.
- The ballots are counted by the credentials committee in the private green room behind the HOD room with supervision by FDA staff.

- After the ballots are counted, the chair of the credentials committee reports the results to the Speaker of the House who announces the winner for each office. The number of votes each candidate received is kept confidential.
- To be elected, a candidate must receive a majority of all legal votes cast. For example, if three candidates are nominated for an office, all 103 delegates get to vote. If one of the 3 candidates gets a majority (50 percent plus one of valid ballots) then the election is over. If no one wins a majority, then we go to a run-off election between the two highest vote getters.

## **DELEGATION MANUAL UPDATES**

 The House ADOPTED Resolution 2017H-036, as follows:

[Procedure] RESOLVED that the HOD ratifies the following changes made by the delegation to its manual:

#1: The delegation adopted the following changes to the manual, page 6, “Composition of the Component-Designated Delegates and Alternate Delegates:

Component dental associations of the FDA also select component-designated delegates and alternates to be brought before the BOT and the FDA HOD for approval. Because these positions are “protected” positions, component associations are encouraged to consider candidates who may be less well known to the FDA HOD.

The term of service for a component-designated delegate is 3 years with a term limit of 1 term served. After such time, the component-designated delegate position will be vacated. That candidate, if he/she chooses, may then be presented to the BOT and the HOD according to the normal election process for a component-designated alternate, or the component may elect to have the candidate run as an at-large delegate or alternate. A new component-designated delegate will then be presented to the BOT and the HOD according to the normal election process.

The component-designated alternate’s term of service is 2 years with a term limit of 1 term. After such time, the component-designated alternate position will be vacated. That candidate, if he/she chooses, may then be presented to the BOT and the HOD according to the normal election process for a component-designated delegate, or the component may elect to have the candidate run as an at-large delegate or alternate. A new component-designated alternate delegate will then be presented to the BOT and the HOD for approval according to the normal election process.

#2: The delegation adopted the following changes to the manual, page 8, “Selection of Members of the Delegation,” second paragraph:

The approval of component-designated delegates and alternates and the election of at-large delegates and alternates at either session of the FDA House of Delegates is overseen by the Speaker-of-the-House. Candidates for the 17th Delegation are expected to timely complete a form outlining their qualifications and achievements as leaders in organized dentistry. Completed forms with a current photograph of the candidate will be made available to the leadership of each component delegation within the FDA HOD to provide voting delegates with background information about each candidate. Candidates will be given 2 minutes to make a verbal presentation at the HOD before the vote is taken.

#3: The delegation adopted the following changes to the manual, page 8, “Selection of Members of the Delegation,” second paragraph:

The approval of component-designated delegates and alternates and the election of at-large delegates and alternates at either session of the FDA House of Delegates is overseen by the Speaker-of-the-House. The official call for candidates shall occur 60 days before the HOD session. Candidates for the 17th Delegation are expected to timely complete a form outlining their qualifications and achievements as leaders in organized dentistry. Completed forms with a current photograph of the candidate will be made available to the leadership of each component delegation within the FDA HOD to provide voting delegates with background information about each candidate.

#4: The delegation adopted the following changes to the manual, on all pages, so as to change the name of the delegation's "Nominating & Credentialing Committee" to "Search Committee" and amend page 13, on "Nomination and Election of Officers," paragraphs 1 - 4:

Each year, the delegation will hold a meeting in conjunction with the Semi-Annual Session of the FDA's HOD for the purpose of holding officer elections. In anticipation of these elections, and within two weeks following the close of the Annual Session of the American Dental Association's House of Delegates, the Chair of the delegation shall appoint a Search Committee to motivate and encourage qualified persons to run for office and develop nominations for officer positions on the delegation. The Search Committee is to consider such qualifications as: not leaving a slot unfilled, good communication skills, ability to be physically present to fulfill all duties, depth of understanding of ADA principles and issues and an ability to verbalize that depth to members, legislators and the public. In the year prior to the current 17th District Trustee's commencement of his or her final year of office, the same Search Committee shall also be charged with developing nomination(s) for the next term of office of the 17th District Trustee-Elect. Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary in this manual, delegation officers may be nominated from the floor at the meeting where officers of the 17th Trustee district delegation are elected.

The delegation's Search Committee shall consist of the 17th District Trustee (when the office is occupied), the 17th District Trustee-elect (when the office is occupied), one at-large delegate or at-large alternate delegate, one component-designated delegate or alternate-delegate, and the FDA President. The committee shall elect a chairperson who shall abstain from voting except in the case of a tie vote.

The Search Committee shall not nominate a person for more than one office, including trustee elect.

The recommendations of the Search Committee shall be submitted to the full delegation no later than 30 days prior to the date of the delegation's meeting that is held in conjunction with the FDA HOD Semi-Annual Session. Thereafter, any voting member of the delegation may submit the names of additional candidates for any available office.

## **REVISION OF JUNE 2017 POLICY SUNSET RECOMMENDATIONS**

 The House ADOPTED Resolution 2017H-037:

2017H-037 RESOLVED, that the following policies have been referred to the appropriate agencies and new more detailed recommendations have been provided for each policy in question.

#1 1991B-122 Media Spokespersons: The FDA Communications Department and Dr. John Paul, TFDA Editor, recommends the following reason for deletion: The FDA Communications department in conjunction with the FDA Editor, BOT, and Moore Communications currently plan media programs and provide speakers where FDA interests will be served by a response. The idea

of a spokesperson program has been folded into the operating policy of the FDA Communications Department and 1991B-122 is now moot.

#2 2011H-023rcs Third Party Logo Use: The FDA Communications Department and Dr. John Paul, TFDA Editor, recommends the following reason for deletion: Council on Communications no longer exists; approval comes from the coordination of the Communications Department in conjunction with the TFDA Editor and Executive Director.

#3 2005H-017rcs1 FDA Promotion of Give Kids a Smile: The FDA Communications Department and Dr. John Paul, TFDA Editor, recommends the following reason for deletion: The FDA Communications department in conjunction with the FDA Editor, BOT, and Moore Communications currently plan media programs where FDA interests will be best served.

#4 2013H-026 FDA Budget Line Item for Outside Lobbyist: Governmental Affairs Office recommends to retain the resolution as FDA Policy and the line item is now part of the regular budgeting process.

#5 1997B-032 PDC Statistics Report for FDA House of Delegates: Since the Council on Dental Health no longer exists, the FDA Foundation will now keep track of the PDC statistics and the FDA Policy manual will reflect this as an editorial change.

#6 1992B-083 Board of Dentistry Liaison Duties: Dir. of Third Party Payer/Professional Affairs recommends to retain the resolution as FDA Policy.

## **NECROLOGY REPORT**

Dr. Andy Brown read the names of members who have passed away since the previous session and the House of Delegates honored them with a moment of silence.

## **DATE OF NEXT HOUSE OF DELEGATES MEETING**

Dr. Ethan Pansick announced the next meeting would be June 22 – 23, 2018 at the Gaylord Palms Resort and Convention Center.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection, Dr. Pansick declared the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.