

1 **Florida Dental Association**  
2 **House of Delegates**  
3 Semi-Annual Session  
4 January 2024  
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6 **DRAFT**  
7 **MINUTES**  
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9 NOTICED START OF MEETING: 9:00 a.m.

10 DATE: Saturday, January 20, 2024

11 LOCATION: Orlando, FL

12 SPEAKER-OF-THE-HOUSE: Dr. Don Ilkka

13 PRESIDENT: Dr. Beatriz Terry

14 **CALL TO ORDER**

15 Dr. Don Ilkka, Speaker of the House, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Dr. Jeff Ottley  
16 gave the invocation and Americanism. Dr. Ilkka introduced the officers and FDA staff.  
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18 **NECROLOGY REPORT**

19 Dr. Dan Gesek introduced a presentation honoring the members who have passed away since the  
20 June 2023 House of Delegates (HOD).  
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22 **PRESIDENTIAL OPENING REMARKS**

23 Dr. Beatriz Terry gave her opening remarks. She gave an update on the activities and issues the  
24 FDA legislative team has been working on during the 2024 Legislative Session. She also  
25 recognized those who attended the LEAD leadership training the day before.  
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27 **FDAF FOUNDATION AND FLA-MOM UPDATE**

28 Ms. R. Jai Gillum gave an update on fundraising efforts for FLA-MOM. She announced a matching  
29 donation if a certain amount was raised during the HOD and gave instructions on how those in  
30 attendance could donate.  
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32 **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

33 Dr. Ilkka reminded all House members to disclose any conflicts of interest they might have before  
34 speaking for or against a given issue and gave the anti-trust and legal compliance reminders.  
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36 **KEYNOTE SESSION: THE FUTURE OF DENTISTRY**

37 Dr. Marko Vujcic, Chief Economist and Vice President of the American Dental Association's  
38 (ADA) Health Policy Institute gave a presentation on the future of dentistry.  
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40 **REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

41 Dr. Ilkka polled the Credentials Committee and confirmed their attendance. Dr. Brittany Craig  
42 reported that a quorum was present.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

The HOD unanimously approved the minutes of the June 30-July 1, 2023, House of Delegates and the Component Designees to the 17<sup>th</sup> District Delegation to the ADA.

**SPECIAL ELECTION OF FDA AT-LARGE TRUSTEE: APPROVAL OF RULES**

The HOD approved the rules for the special election of the FDA’s at-large trustee.

**RATIFICATION OF ADA 17<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT TRUSTEE**

The HOD ratified Dr. Andy Brown as the next ADA 17<sup>th</sup> District Trustee.

**OVERVIEW OF THE REFERENCE COMMITTEE PROCESS**

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

**COMPOSITION OF REFERENCE COMMITTEE**

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

The HOD approved adding Resolution 2023H-011, Establishment of a New Dentist Task Force, to the agenda.

**NOMINATIONS FOR FDA AT-LARGE TRUSTEE SPECIAL ELECTION**

Drs. Sam Desai and Rachel Perez were nominated from the floor to fill the unexpired term of the open FDA at-large trustee position. They both then addressed the HOD per the special election rules.

**ADJOURNMENT FOR REFERENCE COMMITTEE**

Without objection, the first session of the House was adjourned at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 20, 2024, for the reference committee hearing.

**RECONVENE**

The HOD reconvened at 11:30 a.m.

**2024/2025 OPENINGS ON DELEGATION TO ADA HOD**

Drs. Natalie Carr-Bustillo, Reza Iranmanesh, Paul Palo, Steve Zuknick and Zack Kalarickal were elected as At-Large Delegates. The House then accepted nominations for At-Large Alternate Delegates.

**ADJOURNMENT FOR CAUCUS MEETINGS**

Without objection, the first session of the House was adjourned at 12:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 20, 2024.

1 **CALL TO ORDER OF SECOND SESSION**

2 Dr. Ilkka called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. on Saturday, January 20, 2024.

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4 **CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY REMINDER**

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

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8 **REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE**

9 Dr. Craig reported that a quorum was present.

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

12 Dr. Rudy Liddell gave a report from the ADA Board of Trustees. He updated the HOD on the  
13 ADA Forsyth Institute and implementation of strategic forecasting and the mission-based  
14 accounting system.

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16 **FDAPAC AND ADAPAC REPORT**

17 Dr. Reese Harrison, FDAPAC Chair, reported on the efforts of the FDAPAC. He asked all HOD  
18 members to join the FDAPAC, Century Club and the Capital Hill Club. He then reported on  
19 ADAPAC efforts.

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21 **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

22 Ms. Joe Anne Hart updated the HOD on the FDA's legislative issues during the 2024 Legislative  
23 Session. She encouraged the HOD to attend Dentists' Day on the Hill.

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25 **2023/2024 OPENINGS ON DELEGATION TO ADA HOD**

26 Drs. Gerald Bird, Susan Byrne, Karen Glerum, Steven Hochfelder, Lisa Klein, Rachel Perez, Jason  
27 Portnof, Rodrigo Romano, Suzi Thiems-Heflin and ArNelle Wright were elected as At-Large  
28 Alternate Delegates to the ADA HOD.

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30 **SPECIAL FDA AT-LARGE TRUSTEE ELECTION**

31 Dr. Sam Desai was elected FDA at-large trustee.

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33 **CONSIDERATION OF REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**

34 **PEER REVIEW MANUAL**

35  The House ADOPTED resolution 2023H-010:

36 [Procedure] RESOLVED, that the FDA Peer Review Manual is hereby approved  
37 as amended.

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39 **BOT ATTENDANCE POLICY**

40  The House ADOPTED resolution 2023H-007:

41 [Procedure] RESOLVED, that the following language (underlined) be  
42 added to the Board of Trustee Manual:  
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1           **ATTENDANCE:** Board members and officers are expected to attend all  
2 regularly scheduled meetings as indicated in the Florida Dental Association  
3 Board of Trustees manual in Appendix 1: FDA Board of Trustees job  
4 description meetings. Board members are allow one (1) absence per year  
5 during their term. Officers are allowed one (1) absence per year during their  
6 term. For impromptu or short noticed meetings, while attendance is  
7 expected, absences will not count against board members or officers. An  
8 exception to this policy may be requested by the affected Board member or  
9 Officer to a committee comprised of the President, President-elect and  
10 Speaker of the House.

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### 12           **ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW DENTIST TASK FORCE**

13           ■ The House ADPOTED with amendments resolution 2023H-011:

14                           [Procedure] RESOLVED, that the FDA President creates a task force of new  
15 dentists with a minimum of 1 and a maximum of 2 dentists from each  
16 component to come up with a recommendation on involving new dentists  
17 in FDA leadership. The task force will present its recommendations to the  
18 Board of Trustees at its May meeting with a report to the June House of  
19 Delegates.

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21                           And be it further RESOLVED that the FDA covers expenses for one face-  
22 to-face meeting for the task force to meet.

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### 24           **DELTA DENTAL UPDATE**

25           Ms. Casey Stoutamire updated the HOD on the recent changes Delta Dental Insurance made to  
26 its Premier Program and the actions the FDA is pursuing.

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### 28           **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR OPEN POSITIONS IN JUNE 2024**

29           Dr. Ilkka announced the call for nominations for the six FDA at-large Board of Trustee  
30 members, Speaker of the House and Editor to be elected at the June 2024 HOD. Ms. Stoutamire  
31 presented the new Leadership Central section of the website where all information related to  
32 these elections can be found.

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### 34           **ADA MEMBERSHIP MODEL TASK FORCE**

35           Mr. Drew Eason updated the HOD on the work of the ADA membership model task force.

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### 37           **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DATE OF NEXT HOUSE OF DELEGATES** 38 **MEETING**

39           Dr. Ilkka announced the next HOD meeting will be June 21-22, 2024, at the Gaylord Palms Resort  
40 and Convention Center in Orlando.

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### 42           **ADJOURNMENT**

43           Without objection, Dr. Ilkka declared the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.