

**KENTUCKY DENTAL ASSOCIATION
HOUSE OF DELEGATES
FIRST SESSION**

French Lick Resort
French Lick, IN
August 26, 2017

Dr. H. Fred Howard, Speaker of the House

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** **Dr. Fred Howard, Speaker of the House**, called the House of Delegates to order at 2:30 p.m.
2. **QUORUM STATEMENT.** **Dr. Barry Curry** announced that a quorum was present.
3. **INVOCATION.** **Name.** gave the invocation.
4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** **Dr. Fred Howard** led the House in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.** The agenda for the first session of the House of Delegates was approved.
6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** The minutes of the March 5, 2016 meeting of the House of Delegates were approved. The minutes of the March 6, 2016 meeting of the House of Delegates were approved.
7. **INTRODUCTIONS.** **Dr. Fred Howard** introduced the Head Table and Past Presidents of the KDA.

8. KENTUCKY DENTAL ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL SERVICE. Dr. Bill Lee

conducted the annual Memorial Service. **Dr. Bill Collins**, President of the KDA, placed a rose in the Memorial Vase after each member's name was called.

Those honored are as follows:

The following members of the Kentucky Dental Association have passed away since the 2016 Annual Meeting:

Dr. Emmett Costich	Lexington	October 1, 2015	94
Dr. Sylvester Mather	Louisville	January 12, 2016	104
Dr. Lewis Franz, Jr.	Russell	February 20, 2016	78
Dr. C. Norman Pash	Lexington	March 27, 2016	79
Dr. Philip Barber, Jr.	Louisville	May 24, 2016	68
Dr. David Besser	LaGrange	May 24, 2016	59
Dr. Mark Bothwell	Owensboro	June 24, 2016	65
Dr. Michael Wahl	Louisville	June 28, 2016	62
Dr. George Queen, Jr.	Vanceburg	August 3, 2016	96
Dr. W. Ronald Harris	Louisville	August 5, 2016	75
Dr. Nicholas Ochs	Louisville	August 21, 2016	63
Dr. William Yates	Hendersonville, TN	October 2, 2016	92
Dr. Danny Ross	Somerset	October 10, 2016	69
Dr. William Newman	Henderson	October 12, 2016	88
Dr. Robert Sparks	Carlisle	October 26, 2016	84
Dr. Rowland Hutchinson	Louisville	November 13, 2016	82
Dr. Don Harris	Louisville	November 20, 2016	70
Dr. William Greene, Jr.	Sandy Hook	January 28, 2017	88
Dr. Halburn Arnett	Louisville	February 5, 2017	88
Dr. Joseph Hodge	Louisville	February 11, 2017	90
Dr. Andrew Polites	Lexington	April 17, 2017	87
Dr. Edward Hayman, Jr.	Louisville	April 28, 2017	63
Dr. Kenneth Reeves	Louisville	June 25, 2017	89

***Past President**

President Bill Collins placed a rose into the Memorial Vase upon the reading of the name. The Memorial Vase, with its roses, remained at the center of the podium throughout all activities of the House of Delegates. At the conclusion of the Memorial Service, the roses were made available to family and friends of the deceased.

9. **ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT. Dr. Bill Collins**, President of the Kentucky Dental Association, gave a few brief remarks.

Good afternoon, I hope everyone is enjoying themselves this first year in the dog days of summer. I think it is much better that the winds of “Snowmagedon”. After I took office in March 2016, it took me 6 months to realize I had a year left to go. Our Governor hit the ground running and kept Garth, David, Susie, Mike, Sharon, Rick, Libby, myself and many others on the road to the capitol, this was a very legislative term.

These are extraordinary times in dentistry, as the baby boomers are exiting, the Gen X’er’s and Millennials are entering. We are seeking new horizons to explore and old places to revisit. Next year we will again be at French Lick and then back to the Galt House in 2019. I know that I am looking forward to the Galt House and I also know many others are also.

I want to thank everyone for their support over the last 1 ½ year, it has been a humbling experience. I don’t think anyone can accomplish everything they desire but we did many good things this past year. Our membership seems to have reached a plateau, we have good strong members in position to deal with governmental affairs and legislation, we have strong leaders stepping up and we have a devoted staff that continues to provide support. Helen Keller once said, “Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much”. Our strength is in numbers, the direction is by our leaders, and our fate shall be determined by how the public and our patients perceive us.

I want to take this time to thank some individuals. First, I want to thank Dr. John Thompson, for believing in me and encouraging me to move forward, he has truly been a friend and confidant. I want to thank Fred Howard and Mike Johnson for helping me accomplish so many things but most of all, for making sure I got to visit “the wall” in DC. It truly brought back faces that didn’t age, voices that were distant and sounds that never go silent. It took me back to a place of no return and a time that has no end. I want to thank Dr. Jerry Caudill with Avesis, for attending Executive Board meeting and keeping the board updated on changes with the MCO’s. Dr. Narramore, Dr. Bobrowski, Dr. Riley, Dr. Turner and Dr. Johnson made the trips to Frankfort bearable and showed the intellect and vigor of the Association. Dr. Depp and Dr. Lee were always there for reinforcement, guidance and support, the power of three began to take on a new meaning as I could turn to them during the toughest of times. Trust, integrity and perseverance made the term bearable and productive. Last, I want to thank Rick Whitehouse and all the staff for always taking my calls and answering my questions. I feel as if Rick and I spent many nights on the back-porch whittling. I thank all of these people and if I have missed anyone, I am truly sorry because there were so many that were there for me.

I want to thank the Kentucky Mountain Society and all its members for they supported and believed in my abilities. People like Dr. Greg Bentley, Dr. Chad Street, Dr. John Lowe, Dr. Andy Elliott and many more have given me their fullest support. They are more than my peers, they are my mountain brothers.

Legislation and membership are the keys to our existence. It is vital that our members voices are heard in Frankfort. It is important that our PAC is functional and strong. Our lobbyist must know they work for us, we must lead them in the direction in which we wish them to be productive. We must build alliances and be looked upon as the leaders of oral health but not the dictators. Everyone must feel relevant and no one should feel insignificant regardless if they are a member or the member of an alliance.

This has been a tough year, many trips to Frankfort, many changes to the Affordable Care

Act, membership challenges, changing sites for the annual session, emails from members and health problems at home, but we survived.

I want to wish Dr. Depp a successful year and pledge my support when needed. I am looking forward to Dr. Lee taking us back to the Galt House and a homecoming that will be no less than remarkable. I wish all our members continued success and safe travels.

I will leave you with this thought of Earl Nightingale “Learn to enjoy every minute of your life. Be happy now. Don't wait for something outside of yourself to make you happy in the future. Think how really precious is the time you have to spend, whether it's at work or with your family. Every minute should be enjoyed and savored.”

10. **ADDRESS OF THE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT. Dr. Ansley Depp**, First Vice President of the KDA gave brief remarks to the KDA House of Delegates.

11. **NOMINATION/ELECTION OF SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE. Dr. Matt Johnson** nominated **Dr. H. Fred Howard** for the office of **Speaker of the House**. The motion was seconded by **Dr. Whitney Bobrowski**. There were no additional nominations. The secretary cast one vote for **Dr. Howard**. He was elected by acclamation.

12. **COUNCIL ELECTIONS.** The following were elected to Councils by acclamation:

Council on Governmental Affairs and Federal Dental Services

Dr. Garth Bobrowski

Dr. BJ Moorhead

Council on Ethics, Bylaws and Judicial Affairs

Dr. Robert Frazer

Dr. Joe McCarty

Council on Annual Sessions

Dr. Darren Greenwell

Dr. Terry Norris

Dr. Michelle Story

13. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS.** There was no unfinished business.

14. **ADJOURNMENT.** The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr Mike Johnson
Secretary-Treasurer