

**KENTUCKY DENTAL ASSOCIATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

KDA Headquarters Building
Louisville, Kentucky
February 18, 2017
10:00 A.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** **Dr. David Narramore** called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
The following members of the Board were present:

Dean T. Gerard Bradley(U of L)
Dr. Bill Collins
Dr. Barry Curry
Dr. Ansley Depp
Dr. Darren Greenwell
Dr. .H. Fred Howard
Dr. Mike Johnson
Dean Stephanos Kyranides (UK)

Dr. Beverly Largent
Dr. William Lee
Dr. Cliff Lowdenback
Dr. Julie McKee
Dr. Matt Milliner
Dr. Charles Montague
Dr. David Narramore
Dr. Dennis Price

Guest included Mr. Tim Feeley, Deputy Secretary, Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Drs. Garth Bobrowski, Andy Elliott, BJ Moorhead, Sharon Turner and UK student Hunter Hazle. Staff members present were Mr. Todd Edwards, Mrs. Janet Glover, Mrs. Melissa Nathanson and Mr. Richard Whitehouse.

2. **INVOCATION.** **Dr. Andy Elliott** gave the invocation.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** The minutes of the October 15, 2016 meeting of the Executive Board were approved. The minutes of the January 23, 2017 meeting of the KDA Executive Committee were approved.
4. **MR. TIM FEELEY, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE KENTUCKY CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES.** **Mr. Tim Feeley** discussed the Medicaid waiver 1115, Medicaid, Oral Health plan, the repeal of ACA. He answered questions and requested the KDA be involved in the future discussions of health care in Kentucky.

NOTE: All reports are presented in the minutes as they were submitted by their authors. No editing in the form of spelling or grammar has been attempted.

5. **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.** Dr. Bill Collins submitted the following report:

President's Report

Since the last meeting in October we have experienced the mile high City of Denver. Our delegates represented us well and the convention was a great success. Dr. Depp, Dr. Lee and Dr. Milner have worked diligently on the KDAIS and I will leave this area for them to discuss.

Dr. Ted Logan resigned after our last meeting and I have appointed Mike Johnson to be the interim Secretary/Treasurer. I am sure Mike will work very hard and do a great job. Mike had asked to be relieved of the PAC chairman position and I asked Sharon Turner to become the interim PAC chairperson. Both are doing a wonderful job. We had the opportunity to utilize their expertise a couple of weeks ago in Frankfort when the KOHC had contacted Senator Max Wise to possibly sponsor a bill for a new statute. The KOHC had included us to attend a face to face meeting with Senator Wise and Sharon, David and Mike represented us well in Frankfort. With only a couple of days to prepare, Sharon took the lead and was supported by David and Mike, this proved to be an excellent team effort. The bill was as follows: **A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 211 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

(1) The Cabinet for Health and Family Services shall create a state oral health plan that identifies and outlines specific goals and objectives to detect, prevent, and control the spread of dental diseases and abnormalities. The plan shall be revised by the cabinet every five (5) years and made available to the public. The plan shall be developed and revised in collaboration with oral health stakeholders, including but not limited to the Kentucky Oral Health Coalition, Kentucky Dental Association, Kentucky Dental Hygienists Association, University of Louisville School of Dentistry, University of Kentucky College of Dentistry, and Kentucky Primary Care Association.

(2) The plan shall include, but not be limited to, data collection and monitoring, education of policymakers, oral health literacy, prevention and access to oral health services, workforce, policy recommendations, and the identification of existing resources and needs.

(3) The cabinet shall prepare, with input from oral health stakeholders, an annual status update on each of the goals and objectives identified and outlined in the oral health plan by July 1 of each year. The annual status update shall be made available to the public.

I won't go into great detail but will allow Dr. Narramore, Dr. Turner or Dr. Johnson to discuss the results.

We are still in limbo with Medicaid waiver 1115 even though there was an article released yesterday (02/14/17) that stated the proposal had been rejected. With the appointment of Dr. Price to HHS in Washington, it is almost a sure thing Seema Verma will be over MMS. At this time we are still in a “wait and see mode”. We are preparing for Legislative Day. It is very important that board members relay back to their societies the importance of this day. We have many important items still on the agenda. Senator Carroll has sponsored SB 193 (BR 366) - AN ACT relating to opioid prescriptions. Create new sections of KRS 311.380 to 311.500 and KRS 311.530 to 311.620, and amend KRS 313.035 and KRS 314.011, to limit prescriptions of opioids prescribed by podiatrists, physicians, dentists, and advanced practice registered nurses to a 7-day supply for acute pain; define "acute pain." I personally am not in agreement with legislator’s micromanaging how we practice. I want to make everyone aware this is a bill for the 2017 session. Also we are still trying to address “non-covered services with insurance companies”, it is being addressed by the ADA at the national level but I think we need to press on to have this at state level also. When you meet your legislators, feel free to discuss things that will affect the practice of dentistry.

Dr. Garth Bobrowski was instrumental in getting Avesis to end their requirement for post and pre op radiographs for endodontic therapy. I want to thank him for his hard work and dedication to Medicaid. He has made a great difference with the MCO’s and the Cabinet.

This ends my report for the February meeting.

Bill Collins DMD

President,

Kentucky Dental Association.

Bill Collins DMD

6. **REPORT OF THE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT. Dr. Ansley Depp** submitted the following report:

Vice President Report
Ansley H. Depp, DMD
February 18, 2017

I along with Bill Lee and Matt Millay have been working hard to decipher and discover what is happening with the KDAIS. We have a recommendation to give to the board and we will give a full report during our meeting on Feb. 18th.

I, along with Fred Howard, David Narramore, and Bill Lee met to start our Executive Directors Evaluation. I will give a report during the meeting on Feb. 18th.

The President Elect conference has been moved to July of this year. The conference will be different this year, from what I have been hearing and will be in conjunction with the Management Conference. We have discussed with our change over to the fall what to do and Rick and I decided that it might be better for me to go this July and next July Bill Lee would go right before he takes over. The ADA is working to have the PE conference more helpful for the upcoming presidents.

On March 10th I am speaking to the 4th year dental students at UK about organized dentistry. I have been in contact with the President Elect of the ADA Joe Crowley and I think he may go with me to the class. I think this will be an excellent chance to speak to the students. It is nice having the President Elect in our backyard. I think this could be a good opportunity for Kentucky.

Also at this point I think it would be good to assign a committee for next year's Women's forum. I would be interested in any names that you think would be good to work on this.

We have the 6th district caucus planned for September 22-24 at the Brown Hotel in Louisville. I'm looking forward to hosting in our lovely Derby City.

7. **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.** Mr. Richard Whitehouse submitted the following report:

MEMORANDUM

To: KDA Executive Board
From: Richard A. Whitehouse, Executive Director
Re: Executive Director's Report for February 2017 meeting
Date: February 14, 2017

ADVOCACY

- advocate for dentistry in the commonwealth -

Medicaid

The ADA Council on Dental Benefit Programs recently released updates to the Medicaid Managed Care Toolkit. The toolkit contains three documents. The first is designed to assist us in incorporating key elements into RFP's. The second is a guide to reporting metrics. The third is a checklist for determining the adequacy of health care access in states with Medicaid Fee-for-Service programs.

CHFS Department of Medicaid Services sent a letter to providers advising them of new rules effective April 1 requiring providers to enroll in the Medicaid program to order, prescribe, and refer items or services to Medicaid recipients.

CHFS Telehealth Board

Secretary Glisson seeks a dentist to serve on a five-member committee "working collaboratively with top-level leadership in the state to establish and implement telehealth where patient care, access, provider availability and efficiency can be positively impacted".

ACTION ITEM 1 – Select and recommend a KDA member to the CHFS Telehealth Board.

Government Affairs

ACTION ITEM 2 – Select and appoint KDA members to KDA Government Affairs Committee.

ACTION ITEM 3 – Select and appoint a KDA member to KDA Telehealth committees.

Kentucky Board of Dentistry Meeting

A copy of the agenda and minutes is available at <http://dentistry.ky.gov/About-Us/Pages/Board-Meetings.aspx>. The board has recently undergone change in both leadership and staffing. Much of the meeting was spent on administrative issues and reaction to recently approved ADA Resolutions 37 (regarding specialty recognition) and 65 (regarding mild sedation). No references were made to potential board consolidation.

After the meeting, the president and vice-president expressed interest in working with KDA on legislation regarding mobile vans. Their concern is that many of the mobile vans operating around the state are doing little to improve oral health outcomes.

ACTION ITEM 4 – Determine the board’s position and next steps.

KDA Legislative Day

Our third KDA Annual Legislative Day is March 8th. See attachment for details.

KDPAC

The board requested a legal opinion regarding whether legislative receptions held by KDPAC could be paid from the KDA’s legislative fund. The opinion is attached.

MEMBER SUPPORT

- serve and support the needs and success of members -

Membership Recruitment & Retention

We continue to work with ADA Manager for Member & Client Services Jeanine Pekkarinen on how to reverse the trend of member attrition through implementation of the plan I shared with you at our last meeting. She has also put us in touch with Rita Tiernan, Senior Manager, ADA Council on Members Insurance & Retirement Programs in order to promote current benefits of membership and better understand and communicate these offerings to dentists around the state.

KDA Annual Meeting 2017

ADA Practice Institute Vice President, Dave Preble, DDS, JD, CAE has agreed to deliver the keynote address at the opening session of our annual meeting.

I encourage board members to support our upcoming meetings in French Lick in 2017 and 2018. We will work to make all these meetings a success. But, we need board member support in order to help generate excitement and attendance.

Distinguished Service Award

I would ask that the board consider nominating and awarding Dr. George Kushner the KDA Distinguished Service Award. Dr. Kushner has a great passion for teaching and has generously provided continuing education at our annual meeting for years without seeking compensation. His contributions in this regard have made our annual meetings more successful. He is a lifelong KDA member and continues to offer his time and talent in service to the profession. He richly deserves this recognition by his peers.

ACTION ITEM 5 – Consider the nomination and award of the KDA Distinguished Service Award to Dr. George Kushner.

Kentucky Dental Advisory Board (Avesis and DentaQuest)

I continue to meet with these groups to pass along the concerns of our members.

PUBLIC AWARENESS

- promote oral health through community service and public relations -

Smile Kentucky

DentaQuest recently donated \$8K for this program to revamp the website.

Donated Dental Services

I attended a meeting with Department of Aging & Independent Living Commissioner Anderson, Dental Director McKee, CHFS Deputy Secretary Feeley and others regarding their interest in expanding this program.

Dr. Greenwell and I continue to meet with the DDS Leadership Advisory Council. Please consider volunteering or recruiting volunteers to participate in this program.

Spotlight on Kentucky Dentists

We were contacted by *Kentucky Monthly* publisher Stephen Vest to trade advertisement in our journal for recognition of KDA member dentists in Kentucky.

ACTION ITEM 6 – Determine interest and process for providing recognition through *Kentucky Monthly* magazine.

ASSOCIATION EXCELLENCE

- lead the profession through the ADA tri-partite structure -

Non-Dues Revenue/KDAIS – The committee comprised of Dr. Depp, Dr. Lee, and Dr. Milliner will offer an oral report and recommendations regarding the KDAIS program.

ACTION ITEM 7 – Discuss and take appropriate action relative to KDAIS.

Component Meetings

Since our last meeting, I have had the opportunity to attend meetings at Northern, Southeastern, and Western Kentucky component societies.

2017 Upcoming Meetings

KDA Foundation Board Meeting	February 18
KDA Legislative Day	March 8
ADA Dentist & Student Lobby Day (formerly, Washington Leadership Conference)	March 26-29
ADA Annual Conference on Membership (formerly, ADA Membership Recruitment & Retention Conference)	April 20-22
KDA Executive Board Meeting	April 29
ADA Management Conference	July 24-27
Mid-States Dental Meeting	August 3-5
KDA Executive Board Meeting	August 19
KDA Annual Meeting	August 24-27
Sixth District Pre-Caucus Meeting	September 22-23
ADA Annual Meeting	October 19-23
ADA Lobbyist Conference	November 30-December 2

Respectfully submitted,
Richard A. Whitehouse
Executive Director

8. REPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY.

University of Kentucky College of Dentistry
Kentucky Dental Association Executive Report
January 2017

Academic and Students Affairs:

The Office of Academic and Student Affairs, in an effort to provide the support needed for our students has hire three new staff members (two new positions and one that was vacant):

- **Chioma Brown: Pre-Dental advisor** (new position). At the undergraduate level, the University of Kentucky disbanded the Office of Undergraduate Studies, moving advisors for pre-professional and undecided students to the Colleges. With this change, it was important for us to consider new ways to enhance our presence and outreach in pre-dental advising and therefore this position was created. Chioma earned a BA in Biology at the University of Kentucky and a Master of Elementary Education from Liberty University. She thoroughly enjoys working with students and helping them achieve their goals. She has a background in education and undergraduate admissions and will be combining those two areas in order to advise prospective dental students and prepare them as they apply to the University of Kentucky College of Dentistry.
- **Rachel Bolin: Academic Advisor** (new position). This position was created to add an additional layer of support for current DMD students in our retention, tutoring and academic support efforts. Rachel will work closely with Dr. de Leeuw and me in providing proactive programming in preparing for boards, student success seminars, and will be working with students on academic probation and assist with tutoring services. Rachel received both her BA in Communications and MS in Career, Technical and Leadership Education from the University of Kentucky. She has experience in undergraduate admissions at UK, and as a College Counselor at the Lexington Christian Academy. She brings experience from her master's work, as well as her experience as a counselor to her academic support work in the College and is excited to help provide opportunities to enhance the success of our students.
- **Karen Whalen: Curriculum Coordinator** (replaced Jason Souders). Karen will work closely with Dr. de Leeuw and Janice on the curriculum and schedule development, university assessment of curriculum and course evaluations. Karen received both her BS in Business Administration and MBA from Sullivan. She has experience as an Accreditation Compliance Specialist and Registrar; she has also served as Academic Dean at Spencerian and Virginia College.
- **Upcoming Events:**
February 10, 2017 – ASDA Day / Barr Lecture

March 4, 2017 – Admissions Workshop/Open House

Alumni Affairs

- We continue to visit alumni with Dean Stephanos Kyrkanides where he speaks to them about his vision for the College. We have hosted lunches in London, KY and Paris, KY, and have visited many alumni in their offices.
- The 40th Annual Fall Symposium and Alumni Weekend was held October 7 and 8, 2016 in Lexington. Events included a continuing education course with Dr. Steven Tucker, Keeneland racing and luncheon, College Reception at the Commonwealth Stadium Recruiting Room, tailgate and UK football. Dr. Kyrkanides hosted our first graduating class, the Class of 1966, at his home for a brunch. At the Friday continuing education course, the UKCD Alumni Association awarded two \$2,500 scholarships to 4th year dental students, Blake Dickens and Raegan Paige.
- On Saturday, October 22, 2016, the UKCD Alumni Association hosted a reception for alumni and friends at the ADA in Denver, Colorado. While in Denver, we visited local UKCD alumni and met with other alumni who were attending the meeting.
- On February 10, 2017, we held the Vincent A. Barr Visiting Professorship Lecture with Dr. Jason Watts as our speaker. Dr. Watts presented “Total Recall – The Past, Present and Future,” a complimentary two hour continuing education course for alumni, faculty and students. Dr. Betty Barr '74 and her husband, Dr. Don Kleier '70, fund this lecture in honor of her father, Dr. Vincent Barr.
- On February 10, we also held the 8th Annual Barrels & Kegs and Silent Auction, which is a fundraiser for the UKCD Alumni Association. Monies raised support student programs and scholarships and alumni programs.

Development:

- A new online giving site was launched in October for the University of Kentucky. This site has a dedicated page for the College of Dentistry, which highlights key scholarship and program funds. Each fund has a written description of its purpose and the opportunity to donate to that fund. The shortcut link directly to the College of Dentistry page is <https://goo.gl/P1eikl>. You are invited to explore it.
- Mortenson Family Dental, through the Wayne and Glenda Sue Mortenson Family Foundation, has made a generous donation to the UK College of Dentistry. This gift will continue to enhance the practice management program at UK College of Dentistry.
- On October 7th, over 30 alumni, faculty, staff and students gathered together at the Hilton Lexington to celebrate the first African-American graduate and first African-American faculty member of the UK College of Dentistry. This celebration was the accumulation of a month-long campaign to raise \$10,000 for the Drs. Nero and Biggerstaff Diversity Scholarship Endowment. Dr. Benjamin Nero graduated from UKCD in 1967. Dr. Biggerstaff was on faculty and eventually, became chair of the Orthodontics Division at the College of Dentistry.

Both Drs. Nero and Biggerstaff attended the October 7th event and spoke of their continued commitment to diversity.

- The endowed scholarship campaign was spearheaded by Dr. Carol Bolden, 1989 dental graduate, who also initiated the endowment. Dr. Bolden, along with UKCD Development Director, had reached out to all alumni from the College of Dentistry to seek their support. Following comments by Dr. Nero, Dr. Biggerstaff and UKCD Dean Stephanos Kyrkanides, Dr. Bolden announced the campaign had reached its goal with gifts and commitments of \$10,500. An additional \$3,050 was received following the announcement, bringing the total funds added to the endowment to \$13,550. UK Interim Vice President of Institutional Diversity, Terry Allen, was also in attendance at the event.
- Donations of equipment for the Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Program were received from Piezosurgery Inc. and an alumnus of the program, that were valued at \$34,000. Equipment was also donated by Whip-Mix to the Restorative program. Donations of product were also received for Dr. Vaughn Hoefler's research project from 3M, Kerr, and Kuraray America.

Research:

- Continued progress on implementation of the Appalachian Regional Dental Education Project (ARDEP), with MSU. Developing white papers and publications related to the implementation and dissemination of the program, as well as student outcome measures. Continued funding through June 2017.
- Continue to support up to 10 groups who were awarded HRSA funds to expand oral health programs.
- Continued development and utilization of core laboratory support facilities within the Center for Oral Health Research in the College of Dentistry as recharge centers for Microbiology/Virology, Host Responses, Mineralized Tissue, and Genetics/Genomics
- Continued service of multiple faculty on NIH study section review groups. Multiple grants in review cycle for NIH February meetings
- New funded research activities:
 - [Joanna Aalboe/UKCD Public Health](#) (Collaborators: Sharlee Burch/UKCD; Raynor Mullins/UKCD) – “Oral health surveillance program for school-based Early Learning and 1st grade students in Kentucky”
- Continue growth of Fellowship Program in Craniofacial Genetics.
- Initiated process for review and creation of a new PhD program in Integrated Translational Oral Health Sciences in the College of Dentistry.
- An array of peer-reviewed publications representing the work of 20 faculty:
 - [Death related to dental treatment: a systematic review.](#)
 - [Integrated Biomarker Profiling of Smokers with Periodontitis.](#)

- [Inclusion of a rest period in diaphragmatic breathing increases high frequency heart rate variability: Implications for behavioral therapy.](#)
- [Microthreaded Implants and Crestal Bone Loss: A Systematic Review.](#)
- [Saskatchewan's school-based dental program staffed by dental therapists: a retrospective case study.](#)
- [Cellular and Molecular Pathways Leading to External Root Resorption.](#)
- [HSV-1 clinical isolates with unique in vivo and in vitro phenotypes and insight into genomic differences.](#)
- [Improving a Dental School's Clinic Operations Using Lean Process Improvement.](#)
- [Long-term survival and vitality outcomes of permanent teeth following deep caries treatment with step-wise and partial-caries-removal: A Systematic Review.](#)
- [Salivary Biomarkers, Oral Inflammation, and Functional Status in Patients With Heart Failure.](#)
- [Bone Density and Dental External Apical Root Resorption.](#)
- [Correlational study of impacted and non-functional lower third molar position with occurrence of pathologies.](#)
- [Rosuvastatin Inhibits IL-8 and IL-6 Production in Human Coronary Artery Endothelial Cells Stimulated With Aggregatibacter actinomycetemcomitans Serotype b.](#)
- Three students progressing for DMD Research Track began Fall 2016.

Clinical Affairs:

- The College continues to implement new clinical technologies with an eye to the future. The College is implementing, both in our clinics and in our academic curriculum, fully digital scanning, design, milling, and 3D printing (additive manufacturing) systems to enhance both student instruction and patient care
- After successfully completing remodeling of the Endodontic and Urgent Care clinical treatment areas, the College is currently remodeling other areas of the DMD Clinics, including clinical space dedicated to digital dentistry.
- The new UK College of Dentistry Turfland Mall faculty practice, located in Lexington in the new UK HealthCare Building on Harrodsburg Road, continues to grow. Oral health services offered include oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics, and general dentistry as well as other specialty services. This practice provides “one stop shopping” for UK employees and their families, for UK students, and for patients from the community seeking UK Oral HealthCare services.
- The Continuous Quality Improvement and Quality Assurance initiatives continue to be developed and implemented.

Oral Health Practice:

New Faculty:

- No new full time faculty

Part-Time Faculty:

- Dr. Marcia Rojas is helping teach in our Oral Diagnosis/Oral Medicine/Oral and Maxillofacial Division
- Dr. Emily Winfrey is helping teach in our Restorative Division
- The College is in the process of recruiting for full time faculty members in the Divisions of Endodontics; a Team Leader in the Division of Comprehensive Care; and a Division Chief for the Division of Restorative Dentistry.

Resignation:

- Dr. Harmeet Walia resigned his position as Associate Professor in the Division of Endodontics effective December 9, 2016.

Promotions:

- Dr. Rodrigo Fuentealba is being reviewed for promotion and tenure in the current academic year.
- Dr. Dolph Dawson is being reviewed for promotion and tenure in the current year.

Promotions:

- Dr. Tom McConnell has been promoted to Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs.
- Dr. David Thornton has been promoted to Division Chief in Comprehensive Care.

Awards:

- Dr. Gitanjali Pinto-Sinai recently received a Great Teacher of the Year award by the University of Kentucky Alumni Association. This is the oldest, continuously given award at the University of Kentucky and only six faculty members are presented the award across all colleges each year. This is an extremely prestigious award and only the very best teachers win this. Congratulations to Dr. Pinto!

9. REPORT OF LOUISVILLE SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY. Dean T. Gerard Bradley submitted the following report:

Kentucky Dental Association Executive Board Report
University of Louisville School of Dentistry
February 18, 2017

STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ADMISSIONS

DMD Recruitment:

Information sessions for potential applicants to our DMD program were hosted on:

October 14, 2016 – 13 attendees

November 4, 2016 – 5 attendees

December 9, 2016 – 8 attendees

Individual DMD advising appointments: Over 160 advised during this period

DMD Admissions - Class of 2021:

We currently have 2,780 applications in process. The DMD Admissions Committee began the on-site interview process on August 22, 2016. The Committee has interviewed approximately 347 candidates so far and the interview schedule runs through the end of February 2017.

DMD (ULEAD):

We have three ULEAD students that applied via direct application this cycle to join the ULSD Class of 2021. One Kentucky resident, one Ohio resident, and one California resident. All have been offered admission. The application process is currently open for high school seniors. There are nine applicants. The deadline to apply is December 15, 2016.

Dental Hygiene Lower Division - Early Admission Program (UPP):

There are currently nine offers made with three accepted at this time for the upper division Class of 2020.

Dental Hygiene Upper Division Admission:

The DHCAS application for the fall 2017 incoming upper division class is open with a deadline of February 1, 2017. There are currently 55 applications in progress for a total of 20 spaces, with 10 spaces reserved for current upper division pre-placement students in continued good standing.

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

The University of Louisville Diversity Chairs met December 1, 2016 to discuss the state wide diversity policy approved by the Council on Postsecondary Education (CPE). The policy and frame work will be used in developing the university's diversity plan. A university wide report will be generated and presented to CPE this summer. Work groups will be established to prepare the report with the rubric that was provided. The ULSD cultural climate survey has been delayed

because CODRE will be releasing the university wide cultural competency survey. With the results of the survey and the information gathering for the CPE report, strategic planning groups and the Diversity Committee will have a clearer vision of the cultural and diversity needs of ULSD.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND ALUMNI AFFAIRS

Beginning January 1, 2017 the Office of Continuing Education will assume responsibilities of Alumni Affairs in conjunction with the Alumni Affairs Office on Belknap Campus. As of January 1, 2017 CE will be paperless. See CE calendar for posted courses:
www.louisville.edu/dental/cde-2017

COMMUNITY SERVICE

ULSD faculty, students and staff average over 4,000 community contacts monthly based upon reports and the purchase of necessary oral health supplies and teaching aids. ULSD has signed a Memorandum of Understanding to partner with the Red Bird Clinic in Beverley, KY to rotate DMD and Hygiene students to treat patients.

KEY GOALS FOR THE DEAN - SPRING 2017

- Strategic Plan approved by faculty assembly and the Board of Trustees
- Curriculum review and revision
- Faculty practice review and revision
- Promotion and Tenure guidelines review and revision
- Continue successful town hall meetings with faculty/staff/students

Dr. T. Gerard Bradley
Professor and Dean
School of Dentistry
University of Louisville

10. REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS. Dr. David Narramore submitted the following report:

**KDA Council on Governmental Affairs
KDA Executive Board Report
February 18, 2017**

The Governmental Affairs Committee works to establish policies of the association and help create our positions that will best serve organized dentistry with proposed, pending and existing legislation. Each General Assembly Legislative Session we try to develop and provide talking points to educate the general public and our legislators to help them better understand HOW that particular piece of legislation might negatively or positively impact their constituents, who are OUR patients. We also do research to make sure the legislation being considered and promulgated is comparable to those of our surrounding benchmark states. Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. Finally, we track current trends in national legislation through the ADA. Current national trends include mid-level dental providers, decreased opioid abuse, and implementation of the 11-15 waivers from CMS for individual states.

Meetings

The Council on Governmental Affairs has not held a formal in-person meeting since the 2016 Annual Meeting. The committee and its subcommittees have been communicating via email in response to developing strategies as potential legislation unfolds and develops in Frankfort, and at the national level.

Phone Conferences

We have Bi-weekly phone conferences with our lobbying firm in Frankfort that includes the chair of the TAC, the President, First Vice-President, the Executive Director, Pac Chairman and the Secretary-Treasurer and Speaker of the House.

We want to begin to have bi-weekly phone calls with the members of the PAC.

Governor's Dinner 02-04-2017

*First I would like to take this opportunity to thank **KDPAC** for working out a great compromise that allowed us to send a representative to this event.*

Key Legislative Contacts:

U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell

U. S. Congressman SIX District Andy Barr

U. S. Congressman SECOND District Brett Guthrie

U. S. Congressman FOURTH District Tom Massie

Governor Matt Bevin

Commissioner of Agriculture Ryan Quarles

State Senator President Robert Stivers

State Senator John Schickel

Speaker of the House Jeff Hoover

State Representative David Osborne, Speaker Pro-Temp

State Representative Johnathan Shell, Majority Floor Leader

State Representative David Meade, Majority Caucus Chairman
Secretary for CHFS Vickie Yates-Brown Glisson

Sen McConnell, Congressmen Barr, Guthrie and Massie were all made aware of our intent to visit with them in DC in March, Monday 27, Tuesday 28, Wednesday 29, 2017. Most of them seem amenable to speaking with us on the repeal of the ACA and all seemed willing to let us have input into its replacement. The repeal process will not even begin to happen until the middle of March. This is when the U S Senate will begin to have discussions on this agenda item. Also, the funding of the block Medicaid Grants was discussed and the amount coming back to the states this time will be 50 per cent of the original allocated amount when the ACA was first implemented. This means that the state will have more financial burdens to offset their already increased fiduciary burden. The other controversy on ACA funding is that some state implemented their version of ACA, while others did not. The issue is that some states would have gotten more money in the Block Grant because they complied. Now the non-compliant states want the block funding going back to all 50 states to be the same amount. This may place an even greater financial burden on the state. Potentially, our state may receive less than half to offset the costs of implementation of the ACA.

*Gov. Bevin was asked the question is what will the 11-15 waiver look like and the implementation of it's time line. "There are a few things we are waiting for to occur in D. C. The appointment of Seema Verma to CMS and the Senate Confirmation on Tom Price as Secretary of HHS". The acting secretary of HHS cannot sign off on the appointment of Seema Verma, so it will have to be completed when Price takes over in HHS. As far as the 11-15 Waiver once it is approved then it will be sent to CHFS for the development of policies and their implementation. He said that there is "Too much for it to be decided tonight". **(Tom Price was confirmed by the US Senate as the Secretary for HHS on Friday, Feb 10)***

Discussion throughout evening with Sec Glisson centered on the 11-15 Waiver and the eligibility of the expansion population. What the state is thinking about is that the people that fall within the poverty level and up to 138 per cent of it will still be eligible to keep their HEALTH benefits. The dental component is being developed a portion of "MY REWARDS PLAN". The policies and their formulation as to how all of this will proceed are being developed NOW in Frankfort. Rather than miscommunicate any information I have asked Sec. Glisson to attend our Executive Board Meeting on Feb 18th, 2017 at 10:00 and bring us the up to date information on the implementation of the 11-15 waiver. She has declined with a conflict and has gotten Deputy Secretary Tim Feely to attend in her absence. The current timeline for final implementation will be June 2018.

I spoke briefly with Ryan Quarles, Commissioner of Agriculture, and he expressed interest in the potential partnership with organized dentistry. He is developing a program where we would help him reinforce proper eating habits. Encouraging healthy lifestyles is something we need to do which will help reduce decay rates. In a state e we rank 47 nationally on dental care, we can use this as an opportunity to show we care about our patients and are advocates for their oral health.

Sen Stivers and Speaker of the House Jeff Hoover, were reminded of the role KDPAC has played in their leadership and they expressed their gratitude.

Finally, I spoke with the CEO of WELLCARE for Kentucky, William "Bill" Jones, State President, and he would like to come to our Executive Board Meetings, if his schedule will allow.

2017 Legislative Session

During the 2017, this is a list of key legislative brief update on some of the key issues; The KDA has been asked to decide a position on Kentucky SB 79, more specifically whether to include organized dentistry in language "Direct primary care membership agreement"

HB 247 (BR 1140) - K. Moser, A. Wuchner

AN ACT relating to the prohibition of tobacco use on school property.

Create a new section of KRS Chapter 438 to define terms; prohibit use of tobacco products by students, school personnel, and visitors in schools, school vehicles, properties, and activities; require policies to be in place by the 2018-2019 school year; require smoke-free policies and signage be adopted; provide that existing bans are not impacted; repeal 438.050.

SB 93 – we would like to insert language for alternative language for those dental who serve as preceptors and establish a base-line tax credit.

SB 4-we would like to make sure that the dental sections are included in the legislative language.

SB 18- we would like to make sure that the dental sections are included in the legislative language.

HB-95-

Remind legislators that an oral health survey is being prepared by the Kentucky Department of Public Health. We are supportive of this plan and once it becomes has been completed we want to take the lead on being advocates and by implementing the action items contained within the report.

SB 193 (BR 366) - D. Carroll

AN ACT relating to opioid prescriptions.

Create new sections of KRS 311.380 to 311.500 and KRS 311.530 to 311.620, and amend KRS 313.035 and KRS 314.011, to limit prescriptions of opioids prescribed by podiatrists, physicians, dentists, and advanced practice registered nurses to a 7-day supply for acute pain; define "acute pain."

AD Hoc Committee on Medicaid Contractual Language

Chairman Narramore appointed a Subcommittee from the Council on Governmental Affairs to review the existing contracts between the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the MCO's providing

dental services. Their task is to identify the exact location of the language we want to amend in the existing contracts. Once the language has been identified, the subcommittee will create alternative to be used to amend the contracts. Matt Johnson from Owensboro was appointed as chair with the following members: Dr. Matt Akridge; Less Neville and Bill Collins.

Timeline for the draft of the language to be submitted was December 2016. The KDA Executive Board needs to review the language and have it ready to go by the end of the 02-18-2017 Executive Board meeting.

Dr. Matt Johnson has been invited to make a presentation to the Executive Board on 02-18-2017 so he can present the Sub-committee's Report, Explain its content and answer any questions the executive Board may have.

MAC

Susie Rylie is still waiting to be reappointed to the MAC committee. This needs to occur so we can begin to obtain quorums at Medicaid Advisory Committee Meetings. The Governor's Office of Boards and Commissions has been contacted to see where we stand in this process.

Quick Response Teams for KDA legislation

In this 2017 short legislation it is imperative, to have a quick response team to address arising legislative situations. In order to get this accomplished for this session, I am asking 28 people to take 5 names of legislators to contact if we need to lobby for OR against any pending legislation and one person may get four.

Between the members of the Executive Board, PAC and Council on Governmental Affairs we can make this happen.

Action Items:

- **Establish Bi-weekly phone calls for the members of the PAC.**
- **Develop a position Paper or adopt the ADA Position Paper for the replacement of the ACA BEFORE the Feb 18 so the KDA Executive Board can move forward and approve it to present at the WLC.**
- **Finalize Language for Medicaid Contracts for finalization of our Board for Review in Executive Session.**
- **Follow-up with a letter to the Director of Boards and Commissions regarding Susie Rylie.**
- **Establish a 28 Member response Team**

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Narramore, DMD

11. **REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO KMAP. Dr. Garth Bobrowski** submitted the following report:

The .pdf files are attached to this email.

KENTUCKY DENTAL TAC MEETING MINUTES
James Thompson Conference Room
275 East Main Street
Frankfort, Kentucky

November 16, 2016
8:00 a.m. EST.

The meeting of the Dental Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) was called to order by Dr. Garth Bobrowski, Chair.

The TAC members in attendance: Dr. Garth Bobrowski, Dr. Susie Riley, Dr. John Gray, Dr. Matt Johnson and Dr. Heather Wise.

Medicaid staff in attendance: Dr. Ken Rich, Stephanie Bates, and Jessica Jackson.

The Managed Care Organization (MCO) representatives in attendance were: Dr. Jerry Caudill, Ms. Nicole Allen, Ms. Andrienne Bennett and Ms. Jenna Drek with Avesis; Jean O'Brien and Cathy LaPointe with Anthem Kentucky; Candace Owens and Ms. Martha Campbell with Humana-CareSource; Ms. Amy Sinthavong with Passport; Ms. Laura Crowder with Aetna Better Health; Mr. Stuart Owen with WellCare; Dr. Katherine King, Ms. Ada Carlile, Ms. Rebekah Mathews and Ms. Danielle Angel with DentaQuest.

Also in attendance: Mr. Ronnie Coleman, Kool Smiles; Rick Whitehouse, Kentucky Dental Association; Dr. Julie McKee, State Dental Director.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Dr. Gray and seconded by Dr. Riley to approve the meeting minutes of August 24, 2016. The minutes were unanimously approved.

CONSENT CALENDAR: A motion was made by Dr. Gray and seconded by Dr. Johnson to approve the MCO reports by consent. Dr. Bobrowski asked the MCOs to work on furnishing the reports to DMS two weeks in advance of the TAC meetings.

MCO'S REPORTS AND QUESTIONS: Dr. Bobrowski asked Passport about page 7 of their report concerning total treating providers. The MCO stated that there was a typographical error and it should reflect 96% of treating providers instead of 192%. Dr. Bobrowski asked WellCare about navigating their website to find certain grids and Ms. Allen stated she would assist him with this after the meeting.

KY MEDICAID FFS REPORT AND QUESTIONS: Dr. Bobrowski stated he has been receiving questions from providers concerning the policy that fee-for-service patients can be seen once per month. Dr. Rich stated that the new regulation allows for twelve times a year.

OLD BUSINESS:

I. **Waiver Update:** Ms. Jackson stated that the Waiver is still being reviewed by CMS.

II. **Other:**

(1) Dr. Bobrowski stated he has been receiving phone calls about what it means to be an active provider. Ms. Bates stated that DMS is working on contract language that will clarify this, and Dr. Rich suggested that the TAC could recommend different dollar amounts that would be reflective of an active provider.

(2) Dr. Bobrowski spoke about receiving provider phone calls concerning Humana not paying claims timely. Ms. Allen noted that these could be claims prior to 1/1/2016 that involved an older system, and that the reports processed by Avesis after 1/1/2016 are meeting or exceeding the turnaround time. Ms. Owens with Humana will escalate her follow-up with Dr. Riley concerning problems she has been experiencing with timely claims.

(3) Dr. Bobrowski spoke about major problems with the oral surgery network and the lack of availability. Dr. Gray noted that east of I-75, three oral surgery offices have closed in the last eighteen months and that this has reached a crisis level. He spoke of the complexity of this patient population and the time that is required to treat these patients.

(4) A motion was made by Dr. Gray and seconded by Dr. Riley to add dental code D9248 to the covered procedures for adults who are compromised oral surgery patients. Dr. Gray noted that this would be a cost-savings because it would be reimbursed at a lesser figure than IV sedation and it would eliminate

having to send these patients to the hospital. The motion passed unanimously. (5)
Dr. Bobrowski noted provider complaints concerning root planning and getting it preauthorized. Dr. Caudill stated that providers should reach out to field staff or to him directly if this is not addressed within the 48-hour turnaround time.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. MCO ISSUES/CONCERNS:

- I. **Endodontic age restriction w/ 20-21-year-old patients:** Dr. Bobrowski spoke about reimbursement problems when treating patients who turn 21 during their treatment process and Dr. Caudill told him to send in appeals for these situations.
- II. **Cleanings age restrictions w/20-21 year-old patients:** Ms. Bennett with Avesis stated that a provider is supposed to look back at when the last service was performed and count forward the number of months for the benefit. Ms. Allen noted that WellCare and Aetna cover cleanings for a 21-year-old once a year and Passport, Anthem and Humana are twice a year.
- III. **Other:** (1) Dr. Bobrowski asked if a provider is required to see a Medicaid patient if the patient has an outstanding balance with the provider's office before receiving a medical card. Dr. Caudill stated a provider can dismiss a patient of record but the provider would need to give a 30-day notice and be available for emergency treatment during the time the patient is seeking another provider.
(2) Dr. Bobrowski asked that if fluoride is applied at a medical office, does the money come from the dental budget or the medical budget, and Dr. Caudill stated it is paid out of the medical side but he asked for examples and stated he would research it. Also, Dr. Caudill stated that in the near future, he will be submitting to the TAC a final draft of guidelines for mobile and portable dental units for their consideration and approval.

B. SILVER DIAMINE FLUORIDE: Dr. Rich highlighted some bullet points in a PowerPoint presentation that was provided to the TAC. After some discussion a motion was made by Dr. Wise and seconded by Dr. Johnson that silver diamine fluoride be added to the Medicaid fee schedule. The motion passed unanimously. Dr. McKee asked the TAC for feedback on whether it would be appropriate for public health hygienists to perform the service, and Dr. Bobrowski stated this topic will be added to the agenda for the next TAC meeting.

C. OTHER: Dr. Gray asked if information can be disseminated to providers concerning translator services, and Ms. Allen with Avesis will follow up on this.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Coleman of Kool Smiles asked about the online Medicaid application process, and Ms. Bates stated that the online provider portal is in testing at this time. Ms. Jackson stated that she has requested a DMS representative who deals with these applications to attend the next TAC meeting to answer questions concerning the application process.

Mr. Coleman asked for clarification on the stainless steel crown criteria. Dr. Caudill noted that for a second primary molar, the MCO looks for medial and distal decay or circumferential decay or heavy decalcification around the tooth that could be shown on a photograph.

DENTISTS' COMMENTS: There were no further comments.

The meeting was adjourned. The next two meeting dates are January 25, 2017 and April 26, 2017.

(Minutes were taped and transcribed by Terri Pelosi, Court Reporter, this the 13th day of December, 2016.)

1. CALL TO ORDER——— DR. GARTH BOBROWSKI, CHAIRMAN
2. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: PHONE INTRODUCTIONS
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2016 MEETING
4. MR. ROBERT LONG: DIR. OF PROGRAM INTEGRITY
5. MARSHALL J. NEY DMD,FAOOP ——PRESENTATION ON ORALFACIAL PAIN AND HEADACHES
6. CONSENT CALENDER
7. MCO REPORTS AND QUESTIONS
 - A. DENTAQUEST
 - B. AVESIS
 - C. PROBLEMS RAISED AT RECENT DENTAL SOCIETY MEETING
 - I. 3 quadrants of root planing approved, then filed and none of them were paid . Dentist appealed and got two quads paid then said that one quad had to be refiled on the new ADA CLAIM FORM.
 - II. Dentist reported that he had verified patient eligibility on the state site and the MCO site and patients were eligible on both sites. Dentist did the treatment and the treatment was denied and the dentist lost \$3000 due to ineligibility.
 - III. Dentists , including myself, and our staffs make clerical errors. Sometimes clinical situations arise and we appreciate the MCO's working with us to resolve issues. THANK YOU!!
8. MEDICAID FEE-FOR-SERVICE REPORT AND QUESTIONS
9. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. MEDICAID WAIVER UPDATE
 - B. SILVER DIAMINE FLUORIDE UPDATE
 - C. OTHER
10. NEW BUSINESS
 - A.
 - B. OTHER
11. PUBLIC COMMENTS
12. DENTIST COMMENTS
 12. NEXT MEETINGS DATES CHANGED TO : MAY 24, 2017, AUGUST 23, 2017, NOV. 15, 2017, FEB.21,2018 TO ALLOW MORE TIME FOR REPORT PREPARATION, ADJOURNMENT.

ARE YOU TIRED OF WINNING YET?

NO!!!! WE WANT MORE!!!!

Here are a few of the newest “WINS” that your KDA MEDICAID DENTAL TAC has been instrumental in achieving for the Medicaid dentists in Kentucky:

1. Changes in the Medicaid regs KAR 1.026 and KAR 1.626 that benefit us,
2. We got the three additional treatment requirements per visit to use nitrous oxide on children removed,
3. We got the requirement of only one dental visit per month per Medicaid patient changed to 12 visits per year with out any further restrictions on the dentist or the patient,
4. We have been battling RETROTERMINATIONS: Mr. Robert Long from DMS- director of Program Integrity spoke to us on 1-25-17. He said that if you have verified a patient’s eligibility on the state website and the MCO website and the patient is properly verified and you have that documentation, and you get a letter that the patient was retro-terminated and you are being asked for a refund , DO NOT SEND A CHECK!! Contact his office with your documentation and request a DISPUTE RESOLUTION MEETING . You may not have to repay anything. Fight , Fight, FIGHT for your work that you have done,
5. A new code is being added to the Medicaid fee schedule: D1354. This is for the application of SILVER DIAMINE FLUORIDE and is available for use as of 1-1-17. Currently it is only for the Fee for Service Medicaid patients, but the MCO’s are looking to add this code soon. It pays \$25 per quadrant up to two times per year or every 6 months for the application on active decay with no age limit,
6. The pre-payment review requirements of a pre-treatment and a post-treatment x-ray for root canal treatment have been removed for all the plans that Avesis has control of(Coventry Cares, WellCare, Humana CareSource, and PassPort). They will be issuing this notice within the next 15 days,
7. We got it clarified that the physicians offices that apply fluoride in their offices under code CPT 99188 is being paid out of Medical Medicaid funds and NOT through Dental Medicaid funds.

Respectfully submitted,
Garth Bobrowski DMD, Chair
KDA Medicaid Dental TAC

13. REPORT OF THE KENTUCKY DENTAL FOUNDATION. Dr. Andy Elliott submitted the following report:

KENTUCKY DENTAL FOUNDATION, INC.

**ANNUAL BOARD MEETING
KDA HEADQUARTERS BUILDING
AUGUST 27, 2016**

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Dr. Andy Elliott, President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The following members of the Board were present:

Dr. James Allen
Dr. Andy Elliott
Dr. Fred Howard
Dr. Beverly Largent
Dr. Bill Lee

Dr. Ted Logan
Dr. John Sauk
Ms. Kelley Dearing Smith
Dr. Sharon Turner
Mr. Richard Whitehouse

Kentucky Dental Association staff members present were Mr. Todd Edwards and Ms. Melissa Nathanson.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** The minutes of the meeting of March 3, 2016 were approved.
3. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST/DUALITY.** Current conflict of interest statements were signed by the directors.
4. **REPORT OF THE TREASURER.** The Fund Balance for June 30, 2016 was reviewed.
5. **SEMINAR.** Paul Amundsen, Paul Amundsen, MNA, CFRE Vice President for Development and Charitable Programs Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children: The Foundation of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry 211 E. Chicago Avenue, Suite 1600 Chicago, IL 60611 presented a seminar regarding operations of a foundation.
6. **RED BIRD CLINIC DENTURE PROGRAM REQUEST.** There are no funds available until January 1, 2017. The request will be considered after January 1, 2017.
7. **NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting of the Foundation will be November 19, 2016, at 10:00 AM, at the KDA Headquarters Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore E. Logan, Jr
Secretary-Treasurer

**KENTUCKY DENTAL FOUNDATION, INC.
BOARD MEETING
KDA HEADQUARTERS BUILDING
NOVEMBER 19, 2016**

1. **CALL TO ORDER. Dr. Andy Elliott, Chairman,** called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. The following members of the Board were present:

Dr. James Allen
Dr. Ansley Depp
Dr. Andy Elliott
Dr. Fred Howard

Dr. Bill Lee
Dr. Mike Johnson
Ms. Kelley Dearing Smith
Mr. Richard Whitehouse

Kentucky Dental Association staff members present were Mr. Todd Edwards and Ms. Melissa Nathanson.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** The minutes of the meeting of August 27, 2016 were approved.
3. **REPORT OF THE TREASURER.** The Fund Balance for September 30, 2016 was reviewed.

Balance as of January 1, 2016		212,183.14
Entries for January 1 to March 31, 2016		
Interest Revenue	914.00	
Balance as of March 31, 2016		213,097.14
Entries for April 1 to June 30, 2016		
Interest Revenue	994.00	
Transfer of funds	34,000.00	
Balance as of June 30, 2016		248,091.14
Entries for July 1 to September 30, 2015		
Interest Revenue	1,165.00	
Balance as of September 30, 2015		249,256.14

Dr. Fred Howard moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. **Dr. Ansley Depp** seconded the motion.

ACTION: ADOPTED

4. **REVIEW OF ACTIONS/SUGGESTIONS FROM WORKSHOP.** There were discussions on separating KDF investment funds from KDA investments. The Chairman instructed staff to request a formal opinion by letter from the accountant and attorney (of record doing business with KDA and KDF) as to whether to separate the investments funds from the KDA investments.
5. **INVESTMENT INTEREST. MOTION: Dr. Fred Howard** moved that up to 100% of the annual interest earned on investments in the KDF Fund be made available for projects and requested funds. This amount will be calculated on December 31 of each year. The motion was seconded by **Dr. Bill Lee**.

ACTION: ADOPTED

There was also discussions about whether the corpus should be used on such projects to demonstrate activity and achievements. There seem to be discussion that this could be done.

6. **KDF BOARD OF DIRECTORS ASKED TO MAKE A FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTION.** Chairman Elliott requested all KDF Board of Directors make a donation to the Foundation. **Dr. Fred Howard** made a donation to the KDF.
7. **GOALS AND PROJECTS OF THE KDF.** **Dr. Bill Lee** moved the Smile KY program will be the top priority program of the KDF for dental education for children on a statewide level. The motion was seconded by **Dr. Fred Howard**.

Dr. Bill Lee moved second goal of the KDF would be education in nursing homes statewide in Kentucky. **Dr. Fred Howard**.

ACTION: ADOPTED.

Ms. Kelly Dearing Smith was appointed to chair a committee to develop a proposal on how to expand Smile KY education program statewide. She will be responsible to appoint the necessary people to help create the proposal. There was discussion about soliciting input from KOHC, KDHA and the dental schools. She will present this proposal at the next KDF meeting. There was general agreement with concern expressed that KDF remain an organization run by dentists.

Ms. Melissa Nathanson will prepare a mail out and/or an email blast before the end of the year to solicit donations with a summary of what we have done and what we are planning. This will go out to KDA members, non-members and to other dental professionals, e.g.. hygienists.

8. **KDF BOARD OF DIRECTORS EXPIRATION TERM.** **Dr. Fred Howard** moved to request the KDA Executive Director with the cooperation of the KDA President to approach the U of L Dean to join the KDF Board of Directors. **Dr. Jim Allen** seconded the motion.

9. **NEW BUSINESS.** The KDF Board established a Budget and Finance Committee for the KDF. The members are the Chairman of KDF, the Secretary/Treasurer and a member at large.

Dr Mike Johnson moved **Dr Jim Allen** will be the at large member on the KDF Budget and Finance committee. **Dr Fred Howard** seconded the motion.

ACTION: ADOPTED.

10. **NEXT MEETING.** The next meeting of the Foundation will be March 4, 2017, at 10:00 AM, at the KDA Headquarters Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Johnson
Secretary-Treasurer

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

KDAIS

- **TERMS OF TERMINATION:** We will execute a written understanding that KDAIS does not exist. We agreed there was no need to formally dissolve that which never really existed. So, no board of managers is necessary.
- Nelson will continue to pay \$15 to keep the name “KDAIS.” This will prevent anyone else from taking it.
- Nelson & KDA will no longer use the name “KDAIS” in advertisement, solicitation, or referrals.
- Nelson will become a Platinum Patron at \$12,500 annually which represents the revenue floor for those KDA members remaining with Nelson.
- KDA members currently insured under the program will continue to be insured so long as the pool exists and they pay their premiums.
- Nelson will provide periodic reports on the former "KDAIS pool" to identify any uptick in business that may provide additional revenue to be distributed between the parties.

MOTION: Dr. Ansley Depp moved to accept the terms from Nelson Insurance Company (listed above) to terminate the KDAIS relationship. The motion was seconded by **Dr. Matt Milliner**.

ACTION: ADOPTED.

SB89 – An Act relating to health benefit coverage for tobacco cessation treatment.

MOTION: Dr. Darren Greenwell moved support and add language to include the KDA in SB 89. The motion was seconded by **Dr. Fred Howard**.

ACTION: ADOPTED.

SB 193 - An Act relating to opioid prescriptions.

Create new sections of KRS 311.380 to 311.500 and KRS 311.530 to 311.620, and amend KRS 313.035 and KRS 314.011, to limit prescriptions of opioids prescribed by podiatrists, physicians, dentists, and advanced practice registered nurses to a 7-day supply for acute pain; define "acute pain."

The Board took the action of monitoring the bill, with no other action at this time.

SB 93- An Act Relating to the physician preceptor tax incentive program.

MOTION: Dr Fred Howard moved to direct the lobbying team of KDA to amend SB 93 to include dentists in the language concerning tax credits for those who serve as preceptors. **Dr. Darren Greenwell** seconded the motion.

ACTION: ADOPTED.

ADA ACA Repeal and priorities

MOTION: Dr. Fred Howard moved to support the ADA's position on the repeal of Affordable Care Act memo dated January 11, 2017 and lobby to include dentistry in the medical team. (memo attached to these minutes)

Dr. Gerard Bradley seconded the motion.

ACTION: ADOPTED.

CHFS Telehealth Position – CHFS Telehealth Board

Secretary Glisson seeks a dentist to serve on a five-member committee “working collaboratively with top-level leadership in the state to establish and implement telehealth where patient care, access, provider availability and efficiency can be positively impacted”. – Select and recommend a KDA member to the CHFS Telehealth Board.

Dr. Fred Howard moved to nominate **Dr. Sharon Turner** as the representative for KDA. **Dr Bill Collins** seconded the motion.

ACTION: ADOPTED.

Distinguished Service Award

Dr. Bill Collins moved to award **Dr. George Kushner** the Distinguished Service Award at the 2017 KDA Annual Meeting.

Dr. Darren Greenwell seconded the motion.

ACTION: ADOPTED.

Kentucky Board of Dentistry Meeting

A copy of the agenda and minutes is available at <http://dentistry.ky.gov/About-Us/Pages/Board-Meetings.aspx>. The board has recently undergone change in both leadership and staffing. Much of the meeting was spent on administrative issues and reaction to recently approved ADA Resolutions 37 (regarding specialty recognition) and 65 (regarding mild sedation). No references were made to potential board consolidation.

After the meeting, the president and vice-president expressed interest in working with KDA on legislation regarding mobile vans. Their concern is that many of the mobile vans operating around the state are doing little to improve oral health outcomes.

The KDA Board of Directors expressed an interest in working with the Kentucky Board of Dentistry concerning legislation on mobile dental vans in Kentucky.

Spotlight on Kentucky Dentists

We were contacted by *Kentucky Monthly* publisher Stephen Vest to trade advertisement in our journal for recognition of KDA member dentists in Kentucky.

Determine interest and process for providing recognition through *Kentucky Monthly* magazine.

The components should elect 2 people from their component to participate in the request.

15. **EXECUTIVE SESSION.** The Executive Board moved into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion personnel issues.

16. **BOARD MEETING DATES.** The next KDA Executive Board meeting will be April 29, 2017 and August 19, 2017 will be at KDA Headquarters Building.

17. **ADJOURNMENT.** **Dr. Barry Curry** moved to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Dr. Mike Johnson
Secretary/Treasurer

From the ADA:

January 11, 2017

The Honorable Kevin Brady
Chairman
House Committee on Ways and Means
1011 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Richard Neal
Ranking Member
House Committee on Ways and Means
341 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Affordable Care Act repeal and priorities

Dear Chairman Brady and Ranking Member Neal,

On behalf of the American Dental Association (ADA) and our 161,000 member dentists, we appreciate the opportunity to share our priorities as Congress and the new administration considers replacement legislation for the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Our members have many roles in the health care system as health care professionals, small business owners and consumers.

The ADA believes that any effort to replace the existing law should not result in Americans losing dental coverage gained under the ACA, should emphasize value while supporting the doctor-patient relationship, ensure a competitive insurance marketplace, and safeguard the most vulnerable among us who rely on Medicaid for their health coverage.

In summary:

- Future changes to the current U.S. healthcare system should not result in Americans losing dental coverage gained under the ACA.
- Any changes made that affect the insurance market should foster competition while ensuring consumers can purchase high-quality, comprehensive oral health coverage that includes a separate dental deductible, first-dollar coverage for preventive services, and limits patient out-of-pocket costs.
- Any changes to Medicaid should preserve the existing requirement for oral health services for children up to age 21 and increase access to oral health services for low-income adults, vulnerable elders and low-income pregnant women.
- U.S. consumers deserve greater plan transparency so that they can be empowered to make personally-responsible decisions about their healthcare. Such transparency can be fostered through the use of quality metrics at the plan level that have been endorsed by the Dental Quality Alliance,¹ consumer satisfaction ratings, and easy-to-use and accurate participating provider lookup tools.
- The expansion of Title VII training programs for dentistry, additional funding authorization for the National Health Service Corps, and funding for community health centers (CHCs) should be preserved to ensure a strong public health infrastructure.

¹ The Dental Quality Alliance, convened by the ADA, seeks to advance performance measurement as a means to improve oral health, patient care and safety through a consensus-building process.

Competition

The ADA believes that any changes to the insurance marketplace should foster competition while establishing minimum standards for such competition. The ADA supports a benefit design that improves long-term health outcomes. Expanding consumer choice should not equate to offering minimal services at the lowest cost possible. Currently, there is no set of dental services that must be covered with appropriate cost-sharing for children and adults in the marketplace.² This has resulted in plan offerings that cover limited services and/or have high cost-sharing. We believe that the ADA, as America's leading advocate for oral health and with vast resources that promote evidence-based care, is well-positioned to define such a standard and collaborate with plans and other stakeholders to ensure greater competitive choices. Redesigning plan offerings presents an opportunity to emphasize value and improve health outcomes.

² The ACA utilizes the US Preventive Services Health Task Force and the Bright Futures guidelines to determine evidence-based standards for preventive care. Neither comprehensively address oral health services.

The ADA also believes that limiting cost exposure for preventive services will empower consumers with the opportunity to take additional responsibility for their own oral health. Benefit plan designs should allow for and incentivize consumer choice to purchase high-quality, comprehensive oral health coverage that includes separate dental deductibles, first-dollar coverage for preventive services and limits patient out-of-pocket costs. It is important to consider total costs rather than simply lowering overall premium costs. The combination of premiums and out-of-pocket costs impact affordability and influence patient behavior. The ADA believes that everyone should have the opportunity to achieve optimal oral health.

As Congress considers replacement legislation, the ADA supports federal tort reform legislation designed to rectify the problems in the current system which we believe unnecessarily contribute to the cost of health care. We support tort reform that includes but is not limited to periodic payments of substantial awards for damages, a ceiling on non-economic damages, mandatory offsets of awards for collateral sources of recovery, limits on attorneys' contingency fees, a statute of limitations on health-care related injuries and alternative methods of resolving disputes.

Additionally, the ADA supports a repeal of the McCarran-Ferguson antitrust provision that currently grants health insurance plans an exemption from certain antitrust laws. Any alternative replacement legislation should interject more competition into the marketplace by authorizing greater federal antitrust enforcement in instances where state regulators fail to act. Without robust competition, we believe consumers are more likely to face higher prices and less likely to benefit from innovation. We also believe that all benefit administrators should publicly report their market share (lives enrolled) by local markets.

Medicaid

Over 70 million Americans rely on Medicaid for their health care coverage today. This includes individuals who have gained access to Medicaid as a result of the ACA expansion. The ADA understands the need to increase state flexibility in order for Medicaid programs to adequately serve a diverse population and foster innovation, but we believe any changes to the program should not negatively impact access to oral health services. This includes preserving the existing requirement for oral health services for children up to age 21, as well as increasing access to oral health services for low-income adults, vulnerable elders, and low-income pregnant women.

As states continue to shift their Medicaid programs to managed care, we believe states should ensure that beneficiaries have access to high quality care. This includes maintaining oral health network adequacy, providing oversight of outreach performed by plans or state programs to educate enrollees on plan options and the importance of oral health, requiring quality reporting by plans, and additional oversight by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to guarantee that actuarially sound payment rates are in place to ensure quality care while controlling costs.

Transparency and Value

The ADA believes that all plan sponsors, including employers that offer self-funded plans, third-party payers and Medicaid plans, should be required to disclose information that is essential in helping consumers make informed decisions. This includes quality metrics at the plan level that have been endorsed by the DQA consumer satisfaction ratings, and easy-to-use and accurate participating provider lookup tools. In addition to premium and benefit plan summary data, this information is essential for well-informed consumer choice. Further, the ADA supports requiring the use of medical and dental loss ratios, ensuring that plans are providing a good value to consumers. Currently stand-alone dental plans are considered exempt from such disclosure. The ADA believes that any replacement legislation should require streamlining efforts for quality reporting. While this has occurred to some extent in the broader healthcare arena through the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) and the National Quality Forum, much remains to be done for dentistry. The ADA supports a requirement for CMS to engage in a public-private partnership with the DQA when implementing quality measures for dentistry. The ADA also believes any replacement legislation should provide tax credits for both individuals and small businesses to help with the purchase of health insurance coverage, including dental plan coverage. We also believe that the use of tax preferred accounts, such as Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) and Flexible Spending Accounts (FSAs), should be expanded. Prior to the ACA becoming law, individuals were able to set aside up to \$5,000 annually to help with the cost of medical and dental care for themselves and their families. Restoring the pre-ACA limits will allow consumers to pay for necessary care that may not be covered under an existing medical or dental plan.

Public Health

The ACA contained a number of provisions supported by the ADA that directly impact our public health system and infrastructure. Such provisions include an expansion of Title VII training programs for dentistry, additional funding authorization for the National Health Service Corps, and funding for community health centers (CHCs). CHCs provide necessary care to vulnerable populations, including uninsured individuals and those enrolled in Medicaid. Many CHCs have dental clinics or work with dentists in their communities to ensure that necessary dental services are available to patients seeking care. We believe that Congressional support for CHCs should continue.

The ADA has also worked closely with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for many years to ensure funding is appropriated for community oral health prevention programs. The CDC oversees important programs such as school-based sealant projects, community water fluoridation grants and efforts to increase oral health literacy. We strongly support maintaining the funding and authority for the CDC's Division of Oral Health.

We appreciate the opportunity to share our priorities and look forward to working with members of Congress and the incoming administration as replacement legislation is crafted. The ADA believes every individual should have access to oral health services and that a robust commercial marketplace, high-quality public health insurance programs and efforts to achieve cost-effective, quality care should be included in any new legislation.

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