



TENTH DISTRICT CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES

Hilton Orlando, Orlando Florida

October 7, 2023

Prior to the start of the meeting Dr. Dave Resch, from the Committee on the Annual Meeting, gave an update on ADA's Annual Meeting, SmileCon. He noted this year's attendance was estimated at 9,200 attendees and interest in next year's program is high. Next year's SmileCon will be in New Orleans October 17-19, 2024.

The 10th District caucus was called to order at 7:31 a.m. by caucus Chair, Dr. Rosalie Perpich of Minnesota. Dr. Perpich declared a quorum present.

Dr. Alejandro Aguirre requested time to speak on ADPAC, and was added to the agenda to speak at a later point in the meeting.

Along with Dr. Scott Morrison, those present were delegates and alternates: Drs. Alejandro Aguirre, Tom Alexander, Brad Anderson, Chris Bogue, Jay Crossland, Amber Cziok, Geetha Damodaran, Otto Dohm, Kami Dornfeld, Michael Frankman, Rick Fuchs, Ryan Hajek, Tim Holland, Seth Huiras, Carolyn Larsen, James Larsen, Stephen McDonnell, James Nickman, Rosalie Perpich, Aruna Rao, Clark Stanford, Sara Stuefen, Loren Taple, Scott Wagnild, Deb West, and Emily Willett.

Executive Directors: Carmelo Cinqueonce (MN), Paul Knecht (SD), David O'Doherty (NE), and William Sherwin (ND).

Association Staff: Josh Carpenter, representing Iowa Executive Director Laurie Traetow, and Whitney Bey, Minnesota Dental Association.

Guests present included Dr. Jessica Meeske, Nebraska.

Absent were Drs. Brian Kim and John Noack.

Motion by Dr. Alejandro Aguirre, second by Dr. Deb West, to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2022, caucus meeting. Motion carried.

Dr. Scott Morrison welcomed first-time delegates and encouraged the delegation to engage in respectful conversation and debate. He expressed the hope we could, in the future, have virtual caucus meetings to prepare for the House of Delegates, and requested the delegates consider that option for future discussion.

Dr. Deb West presented resolutions on Budget, Business, Membership, and Administrative Matters. Resolutions discussed included: 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209/209B, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217 and 218.

Dr. West expressed concern that many resolutions are labeled as having no financial impact when they may all have some financial impact due to staff time needing to be utilized to implement. Dr. Morrison agreed and stated that would be considered more closely in the future.

The delegation discussed 208, 210, 212, 213, 215, 216, 217, and 218 in greater detail. The delegation discussed volunteer reimbursement, and rideshares not being covered completely, or receiving any per diem for virtual meetings. Dr. Morrison said he would research further for potential action.

The delegation asked Dr. West to recommend at the Reference Committee meeting to amend resolution 217 to strike "legislators" and add "elected officials." After some discussion, they agreed it would be recommended to be referred back to CEBJA for further amendment. Failing that, Dr. West will recommend the language change as above.

Dr. Kami Dornfeld presented resolutions on Dental Benefits, Practice, and Related Matters. Resolutions discussed included: 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, and 315.

In regard to resolution 305, the committee requested a representative come speak to the delegation on Monday regarding Medicare. They discussed the resolution in detail.

The delegation also discussed 308, 312, 313 and 314 in more detail. Dr. Stuefan said her council on Dental Benefits would recommend voting no on resolution 315.

The caucus paused discussion and welcomed Dr. Alejandro Aguirre and his colleagues on ADPAC, Drs. Di Vincenzo and Fair, and ADA Staff Christopher Tampio to present at 9:29 AM.

The caucus resumed discussion. Dr. Jay Crossland presented resolutions on Dental Education, Science, and Related Matters: 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408 and 409.

The delegation entered into further discussion on 401. After much discussion, the delegation agreed to table the discussion until Monday for the sake of time. They also requested that the ADA staff with knowledge of Dental Compacts be invited to attend and provide additional information on the resolution.

The delegation also discussed resolutions 408 and 409 in detail.

Dr. Tim Holland presented resolutions on Legislative, Health, Governance, and Related Matters. Resolutions discussed included: 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, and 517.

Dr. West informed the delegation of language changes that will be recommended for 501 and 502. The new recommended language will be sent to the delegation for reference.

The committee discussed 508 and 515 in detail. Dr. Brad Anderson will discuss 515 in the reference committee. Resolution 517 was also discussed in detail.

Candidate for 10th District Trustee: Dr. Sara Stuefen spoke to the delegation regarding her nomination for 10th District Trustee. Dr Sara Stuefen was duly elected as the 10th District Trustee.

Mr. Cinqueonce reviewed the draft questions from last year for the ADA Second Vice President and President-Elect candidates. The delegation agreed to repeat the same questions, with some language revision, on Monday, October 9 when they meet with the candidates. Questions were finalized and assigned to Drs. Amber Cziok, Aruna Rao, and Deb West.

Mr. Carmelo Cinqueonce briefly outlined the 10th District Functions during the ADA House of Delegates.

Dr. Scott Morrison gave closing remarks. He updated the delegation that 314 has been withdrawn. He expects much debate around resolution 305. He commended Dr. Dornfeld for her action on a health and wellness event.

Dr. Alejandro Aguirre spoke briefly on ADPAC.

At 12:18 p.m. there being no further business it was moved by Dr. Seth Huiras and seconded by Dr. Aruna Rao that the caucus recess until Monday, October 9, 2023, at 7:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carmelo Cinqueonce
Secretary to the Caucus

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