

Guam Board of Examiners for Dentistry

Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at 3:00 p.m. Guam (ChST)

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Meeting ID: 878 7069 7848

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MINUTES

	Item	Discussion		Responsible Party	Reporting Time Frame	Status
I	Call to Order	Meeting Chaired by Dr. Rapadas		Chair	15:20	Called to Order
	A. Roll Call	GBED: <u>Present:</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Autumn Yoo, Member <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Antonio Rapadas, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Robert Yang, Secretary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Collette Supit, Treasurer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Joon Ha, Vice Chair	Others Present Sharon Manibusan DPHSS/HPLO	Chair	15:20	Quorum Established
	B. Proof of Publications	Published on: 06/11/2025 and 06/16/2025		GBED	15:20	Confirmed
II	Approval of Agenda	<i>Motion to Approve: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>		GBED	15:20	Unanimously Approved
III	Approval of Minutes	<i>Motion to Approve: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>		GBED	15:21	Unanimously Approved
IV	Treasurer's Report	No Report		Dr. Supit	15:22	No Report
V	HPLO Administrator Report	No Report		HPLO	15:22	No Report
VI	Old Business	A. Initial Application for Review and Approval			15:22	
		1. Yang H. Kim – Dentist Dr. Rapadas noted that despite multiple email attempts over the past few weeks, there has been no response from the AG's Office regarding this application. He will continue to follow up more vigorously this month, and will attempt to call to the office next.		GBED		Tabled, Awaiting Response from AG

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		Until further communication is received, no new information is available for consideration. <i>Motion to Table: Dr. Rapadas.</i>			
		2. Junghyun Kim – Dentist Dr. Rapadas noted that despite multiple email attempts over the past few weeks, there has been no response from the AG’s Office regarding this application. He will continue to follow up more vigorously this month, and will attempt to call to the office next. Until further communication is received, no new information is available for consideration. <i>Motion to Table: Dr. Rapadas.</i>	GBED		Tabled, Awaiting Response from AG
		3. Sungho Lee – Dentist <i>Motion to Approve: Dr. Ha; 2nd: Dr. Yang.</i>	GBED		Unanimously Approved
		4. Kyoung Hee Lee – Dentist Dr. Yang reviewed an applicant’s submission and determined that a required document—the certification of education—was only provided as a photocopy rather than an original. It was emphasized that the photocopy includes a seal but cannot be authenticated, and therefore does not meet the board’s requirements. Dr. Rapadas clarified that the original document with the embossed seal must be submitted in order for the application to be considered complete. It was agreed that the applicant would be contacted via email to inform her of the missing documentation, which appears to be the only outstanding requirement at this time.	GBED		Tabled, Pending Documents
		5. Christian Romer Fernandez – Dental Auxiliary <i>Motion to Approve: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>	GBED		Unanimously Approved
		B. Clinical Exams			
		Move Exams from August 19-20,2025 to October 14-15, 2025. The board discussed the previously scheduled August examination and acknowledged concerns about budget shortfalls that may prevent it from taking place as planned. Although the board intended to hold exams in August and February, it was suggested that the next examination be postponed to October, when funding is expected to be renewed. The	GBED		Noted

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		members agreed to tentatively move the exam to October 14th and 15th, contingent on the approval of the new budget. Consequently, the final deadline for completed applications was set for August 14th. The board also planned to conduct interviews for eligible candidates during the September 17th meeting, which will be held via Zoom. Additionally, it was noted that candidates approved for the October exam will need to complete the jurisprudence requirement prior to the exam date.			
VII	New Business	A. Initial Application for Review and Approval		15:32	
		1. Elyzza Salas – Dental Assistant <i>Motion to Conditionally Approve Pending Government-Issued ID : A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>	GBED		Conditionally Approved Pending Documents
		2. Jessica Hyewon Ju – Dental Assistant <i>Motion to Approve: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>	GBED		Unanimously Approved
		3. Caroline G. Marzan – Dental Auxiliary The candidate applied and paid for both the dental assistant and dental auxiliary licenses. However, it was noted that an individual is only permitted to hold one of these licenses. Despite this, the applicant's submission for the dental auxiliary license was confirmed to be complete, including all necessary transcripts and documentation. <i>Motion to Approve: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>	GBED		Unanimously Approved
		4. Martin Loeffler L. Rios – Dental Hygienist <i>Motion to Conditionally Approve Pending Employer Verification and Signature: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>	GBED		Conditionally Approved Pending Documents
		5. April Joy B. Alcantara – Dental Hygienist (Renewal) The board discussed a renewal application submitted early by a dental hygiene licensee, who explained that she would be off-island during the upcoming months. Although her renewal is not due until September, she submitted the required documents in advance due to her anticipated absence over the summer. It was confirmed that this year marks her scheduled renewal period. <i>Motion to Approve: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>	GBED		Unanimously Approved

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		6. Dr. Nikki Jose Del Castillo – Use of Permit Analgesia <i>Motion to Approve: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>	GBED		Unanimously Approved
		B. Hardship Letter			
		Perio Health – Dr. Chie Hayashi The board reviewed a hardship letter submitted by Dr. Hayashi, whose previous authorization is set to expire on July 31st. In her updated request, she included a proposed schedule allowing visiting periodontists to work at a clinic for approximately one week each month through the end of December, with coverage extending to January 6, 2026. Medical documentation related to the treatment was also provided. It was noted that the involved specialists—Dr. Sher, Dr. Whitman, and Dr. Rossi—have previously held temporary licenses for similar timeframes. <i>Motion to Approve: Dr. Yang; 2nd: A. Yoo</i>	GBED		Unanimously Approved
VIII	Next Board Meeting	Next Scheduled Board Meeting: July 16, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.	GBED	15:39	Set Meeting Date
IX	Adjournment	<i>Motion to Adjourn: A. Yoo; 2nd: Dr. Ha.</i>	GBED	15:39	Adjourned

Minutes Drafted by: FLAME TREE Freedom Center, Inc.

Date Submitted:

Submitted by the GBED Secretary:

Date:

7-16-25

Approved by the GBED with or without changes:

Date:

Certified by or Attested by the Chairperson:

Date:

7/16/25