Mount Baker District Dental Society Dec.7, 2021 Virtual Meeting 6:30 PM



#### MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order: President Dr. Marion Hernon called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.
- 2. **Approval of Minutes:** Moved, seconded, and carried, to approve the Nov. 2 minutes as printed in December issue of *Toothsayer*
- 3. Introduction of Guests: Nancy Tupper introduced guests WSDA President Dr. Ashley Ulmer and WSDA Executive Director Bracken Killpack.

#### 4. Announcements

<u>Reminder</u>: Attendees expecting to receive a CE attendance verification: Attendance is required throughout the lecture. Be sure your name is showing on the screen; if not, sign in to Chat with both first and last name; if Chat is not an option, voice your attendance. AGD members, please provide your AGD number or at least indicate your membership. AGD verification code to be issued at the conclusion of tonight's lecture.

No other announcements made.

- 5. **Call for Motion to table business meeting:** Moved, seconded, and carried to table business meeting until after the speaker presentation.
- 6. Continuing Education (Introductions made by President-Elect Dr. Will Nichols) <u>Speakers</u>: WSDA President Dr. Ashley Ulmer and WSDA Executive Director Bracken Killpack <u>Topic</u>: WSDA President's Message and WSDA Updates
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  - An update on WSDA happenings..
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    - There will not be an in-person Dental Action Day 2022
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- 7. **Correspondence** (Secretary-Treasurer Dr. Micah Marth) No correspondence to report
- 8. **Budget Report** (Secretary-Treasurer Dr. Micah Marth) The budget report was presented by Secretary-Treasurer Dr. Micah Marth.

### 9. Committee Reports

- a) <u>Membership Committee</u>: Dr. Kurt Swanson announced new member Dr. Joseph Keyes and transfer members Drs. Michele Lim and Prafull Das Gupta. Dr. Swanson has extended a warm welcome to our new members on behalf of the society and we couldn't be happier to have them!
- b) <u>Midwinter Planning Committee</u>: (Dr. Will Nichols, member of Midwinter Planning) Registration is still open, at our website: www.mbdds.org, or mail-in. Brochures with registration form were mailed to all members.It's not too late to register for the Midwinter Meeting taking place on Feb 18! Kick off the long weekend with some fun, invigorating, career-affirming CE with Dr. Roger Levin! No better way to connect with your staff and colleagues than over a great meal and complimentary social hour. Looking forward to being able to safely see everyone for the first time in two years!

#### 10. Business: Old and New

- a) <u>NOT TOO LATE: Shoreline Dental Program Match Campaign</u>: Delta Dental will match \$500,000 in contributions, toward Shoreline's dental program improvements, now at UWSOD; individuals are invited to consider contributing. Details are the December newsletter.
- b) <u>ARCORA Grant</u>: Applications are open for \$1,500 grant to components, for promoting Children's Dental Health Month (February). The Executive Committee is preparing to apply for the grant, with the intention of distributing children's dental kits in local communities, via social organizations such as Boys & Girls Clubs, children's museums, and food banks. If anyone is interested in helping with delivery, promotion, etc., please contact us. Deadline for application is Dec. 20.

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12. Course Completion Verification Code, for AGD members was announced by President Dr. Marion Hernon.

#### 13. Next Meeting

Jan. 4, Virtual <u>Speaker</u>: Dr. Marijoyce Leynes <u>Topic</u>: Patients with Shingles and Stomatitis

# 14. Adjournment: President Dr. Marion Hernon adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.