

December 14, 2021

- 1-12/14/21 Board Action: The Board approved the consent agenda for the December 14, 2021, MDS Board of Trustees meeting as presented, which included the following items.
- Approval of the minutes from the November 2, 2021, and the November 9, 2021, MDS Board of Trustees meetings.
 - Approval to co-host an event to engage members of the health care community and members of both medical and dental schools to discuss the Food is Medicine Massachusetts' Nutrition Core Competency Project and to add oversight of this project as a charge to the Dental Education Committee.
 - Approval of the application for nonresident membership in the MDS for the following dentist.
 - Dr. Inesa Tshagharyan
- 2-12/14/21 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the December 14, 2021, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting as presented:
- 3-12/14/21 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 6:16 pm. Members of the Board, Guest Board, and staff were permitted to remain.
- 4-12/14/21 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 6:59 pm.
- 5-12/14/21 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that Dr. Mike Mayr had disclosed that he is a non-voting member of the Eastern Dentists Insurance Company's (EDIC) Board of Directors and that Dr. James Lee had disclosed that he is an MDS designated representative on the Eastern Dentists Insurance Agency's (EDIA) Board of Directors. In accordance with the MDS Conflict of Interest Policy the Board voted to ask Dr. Mayr and Dr. Lee to recuse themselves from the discussion, which they did.
- 6-12/14/21 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it is charging the Business Development Committee with assessing options for insurance companies to increase member value and potential revenue streams for the MDS. The Committee will report back to the Board at its March 2022 meeting.
- 7-12/14/21 Board Action: The Board voted to send Resolution 1-22, Amendment to the Massachusetts Dental Society Manual of the House of Delegates to implement a deadline for changes to District delegations, to the House with a recommendation to vote yes.
- 8-12/14/21 Board Action: The Board voted to send Resolution 2-22, Ratification of a new Massachusetts Dental Society Conflict of Interest Policy and Amendment to the *Constitution and Bylaws* to include the new policy, to the House with a recommendation to vote yes.

January 11, 2022

- 1-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board approved the consent agenda for the January 11, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees meeting as presented, which included the following items.
- Approval of the minutes from the December 14, 2021, MDS Board of Trustees meeting.
 - Approval of the appointment of Dr. Hubert Park to the MDS Government Affairs Committee.
 - Approval that a letter of support for the Office of Oral Health's HRSA grant application focused on increasing access to care for Massachusetts populations living in dental health professional shortage areas.

- 2-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the January 11, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting as presented.
- 3-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 5:24 pm. Only MDS Board and Guest Board members were allowed to be present; guests and staff were asked to leave.
- 4-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 6:06 pm.
- 5-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted to allow the MDS Treasurer to vote in the election to endorse a candidate from Massachusetts for ADA First District Trustee.
- 6-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted to allow a discussion session of five minutes following each candidate's presentation.
- 7-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted to endorse a candidate from Massachusetts for ADA First District Trustee.
- 8-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it selected, by majority vote, Dr. Raymond Martin to be the candidate from Massachusetts for ADA First District Trustee.
- 9-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted unanimously to endorse Dr. Raymond Martin as the candidate from Massachusetts for ADA First District Trustee.
- 10-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to move Dr. Michael Cooper from the Business Development Committee roster to the Dental Practice and Benefits Committee roster.
- 11-1/11/22 Board Action: The Board voted to continue the COVID-19 Resurgence Task Force until June 30. The Task Force's primary charge is to develop a plan to help keep dental offices and clinics in Massachusetts open should there be a resurgence of COVID-19 cases. The Task Force will also be a resource for the MDS as it continues to share information with members about COVID-19.

February 8, 2022

- 1-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board approved the consent agenda for the February 8, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees meeting as presented, which included the following item.
- Approval of the minutes from the January 11, 2021, MDS Board of Trustees meeting.
- 2-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the February 8, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting as presented.
- 3-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to reach out to the other New England state dental associations to gauge if there is interest in sharing the costs for this proposed campaign that would benefit all the states in the region. Treasurer Dr. Jennifer Korzeb indicated that the MDS will look into potential grants through the American Dental Association. The Board will receive an update and reconsider this proposal at its March meeting.
- 4-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to not send a letter to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) at this time but will continue to monitor recommendations coming from the DPH.
- 5-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to charge the Governance Task Force with reviewing the existing Election Guidelines and, if deemed necessary, provide recommendations on modifications to the guidelines to the Board.
- 6-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to charge the Membership Committee to explore a mentorship program for the members of the Massachusetts Dental Society.

7-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 6:43 pm. Only MDS Officers and Trustees were allowed to be present. The Executive Director exited the meeting prior to entering into Executive Session and was invited back into the meeting at 8:00 pm.

8-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 8:08 pm.

9-2/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted to approve the Executive Director compensation.

March 8, 2022

1-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board approved the consent agenda for the March 8, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees meeting as presented, which included the following items.

- Approval of the February 8, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes.
- Approval of the addition of Dr. Chris Own to the Business Development Committee.
- Approval of the addition of Dr. Nicole Balthazar to the Dental Practice and Benefits Committee.
- Approval of the nonresident member application of Dr. Andrew Kary.

2-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the March 8, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting as modified by the President.

3-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board approved the members of the Guest Board Member Task Force as appointed by President Dr. Meredith Bailey – Dr. Andrea Fallon (Chair), Dr. Mary DeMello, Dr. Paul Gamache, Dr. Michael Mayr, Dr. Maritza Morell, and Dr. Aikaterini Papatransiou.

4-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board approved the formation of a Task Force to evaluate the possibility of creating a mentorship program. This Task Force will present its recommendations to the Board by June 30, 2022.

5-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board approved the formation of a Task Force to review the MDS Election Guidelines. This Task Force will present its recommendations to the Board by June 30, 2022.

6-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to include social media education and training during its summer 2022 Retreat.

7-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 3:46 pm. Dr. Michael Mayr and Dr. James Lee recused themselves from the discussion. The other members of the Board, Guest Board, and staff were allowed to stay.

8-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 3:54 pm.

9-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to engage the services of the public relations agency Denterlein to conduct a public relations campaign that focuses on improving the dental assistant shortage.

10-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to ask the Audit Committee to study the possibility and feasibility of live streaming the MDS Annual House of Delegates. The Committee will present its recommendations to the Board by June 30, 2022.

11-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to ask the Yankee Oversight Committee to review the proposal to amend the current “Yankee Quiet Period” and provide the Board with a recommendation.

12-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board entered into Executive Session at 5:41 pm. All members of the Board, Guest Board, and staff were allowed to stay.

13-3/8/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 6:11 pm.

April 12, 2022

- 1-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board approved the consent agenda for the April 12, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees meeting as presented, which included the following items.
- Approval of the March 8, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes.
 - Approval of the appointment of Dr. James Lee (Chair), Dr. Mary DeMello, Dr. Paul Gamache, Dr. Michael Mayr, and Dr. Maritza Morell to the ADA Delegation Workgroup.
- 2-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the April 12, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting as modified.
- 3-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 5:07 pm. Only members of the Board and Guest Board were allowed to participate. Dr. Meredith Bailey recused herself from the discussion.
- 4-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 5:27 pm.
- 5-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it had voted unanimously to endorse Dr. Meredith Bailey as the Massachusetts candidate for ADA First District Trustee.
- 6-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 5:30 pm. All members of the Board, Guest Board, guests, and staff were allowed to participate.
- 7-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive at 6:48 pm.
- 8-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to engage AAFCPAs as the auditing firm for the 2022 MDS audit.
- 9-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 6:51 pm. All members of the Board, Guest Board, and staff were allowed to participate.
- 10-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 7:00 pm.
- 11-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it had selected Dr. Alan Budd as the candidate to put forth from Massachusetts for the 2023 James W. Etherington Award.
- 12-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 7:19 pm. All members of the Board, Guest Board, and staff were allowed to participate.
- 13-4/12/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 7:22 pm.

May 10, 2022

- 1-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board approved the consent agenda for the May 10, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees meeting as presented, which included the following item.
- Approval of the April 12, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes.
- 2-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the May 10, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting as modified.
- 3-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board approved the following 2023 Yankee Volunteer Award recipients.
- John Golden Award: Dr. Traci Portnoff
 - Vivian Chaput Award: Laurie Samuels
 - Volunteer Award for Auxiliaries: Florence Cahilane, CDA
 - Armen Nalband Award: Dr. Robin Taher

- Clinician Award: Dr. Thomas Van Dyke

4-5/10/2022 Board Action: The Board approved the following delegation to the 2022 ADA House of Delegates.

Position	Full Name	Position
delegate	Dr. Abdullaibrahim Abdulwaheed	Vice President
delegate	Dr. Karin Arsenault	ADA Council on Advocacy for Access and Prevention
delegate	Dr. Meredith A. Bailey	President
delegate	Dr. John DaSilva	ADA Joint Commission on National Dental Examiners/ADEA
delegate	Dr. Mary C. DeMello	Region 4 Trustee
delegate	Dr. Keri Discepolo	MDS Government Affairs Committee Chair
delegate	Dr. Charles A. Greffrath	Region 2 Trustee
delegate	Dr. MaryJane Hanlon	First District Officer
delegate	Dr. Jeffrey R. Karen	Region 3 Trustee
delegate	Dr. Jennifer R. Korzeb	Treasurer
delegate	Dr. James E. Lee	Secretary
delegate	Dr. Raymond K. Martin	Speaker of the House
delegate	Dr. Michael A Mayr	Region 5 Trustee
delegate	Dr. Maritza Morell	Region 6 Trustee
delegate	Dr. Janis Moriarty	ADA Membership Committee
delegate	Dr. Andre Zelikov	MDS Membership Committee Co Chair
alternate delegate	Dr. Paul Aswad	MDS Business Development Committee Chair
alternate delegate	Dr. Howard Zolot	ADA Budget Committee
back up alternate delegate	Dr. Andrea Fallon	MDS Membership Committee Co Chair
back up alternate delegate	Dr. John Gusha	MDS COVID Resurgence Task Force Chair
back up alternate delegate	Dr. Mina Paul	MDS Governance Task Force Chair

5-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board approved the Board of Trustees Organizational and Operating Manual as amended.

6-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to review the role of the MDS Designated EDIC/EDIA Directors.

7-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to appoint a workgroup to review the Guest Board Member Program and report to the Board no later than December 2022.

8-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to postpone definitely a vote to establish a process to review any Conflict of Interest Forms submitted by candidates for the Business Development Committee until staff can confer with legal counsel.

9-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to appoint a liaison to the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Dentistry.

10-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to forego the Board of Trustees stipend for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

11-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board approved the amended proposed budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year and voted to submit the amended budget to the Special Session of the MDS House of Delegates on June 14, 2022, with a recommendation to vote yes.

12-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board approved the following dates for the 2023 meetings of the House of Delegates.

- Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at the Seaport Hotel.

- Wednesday, June 14, 2023, Special Session of the House to approve the MDS budget to be held virtually.

13-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to go into Executive Session at 3:20 pm. All Board, Guest Board, and staff members were able to stay for the session.

14-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 5:14 pm.

15-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted unanimously to support the Medical Loss Ratio ballot initiative.

16-5/10/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted unanimously that the MDS reaffirms the position of ADA, ASDA and AGD, in opposition of the creation of a Dental therapist. In the interest of public health, the MDS affirms that the dentist is the only dental provider that should perform the following functions:

- Diagnosis and treatment planning
- Prescribing work authorizations
- Performing surgical/irreversible dental procedures
- Prescribing drugs and/or other medications

May 16, 2022

1-5/16/22 Board Action: The Board voted to go into Executive Session at 6:00 pm. All Board, Guest Board, and staff members were able to stay for the session.

2-5/16/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 6:58 pm.

3-5/16/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted to reconsider Board Action 16-5/10/22, which states:
The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted unanimously that the MDS reaffirms the position of ADA, ASDA and AGD, in opposition of the creation of a Dental therapist. In the interest of public health, the MDS affirms that the dentist is the only dental provider that should perform the following functions:

- Diagnosis and treatment planning
- Prescribing work authorizations
- Performing surgical/irreversible dental procedures
- Prescribing drugs and/or other medications

4-5/16/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted that the Massachusetts Dental Society opposes the creation of a midlevel dental provider in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

June 7, 2022

1-6/7/22 Board Action: The Board approved the remaining consent agenda for the June 7, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees meeting as presented, which included the following item.

- Approval of the May 10, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes.

2-6/7/22 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the June 7, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting as modified.

3-6/7/22 Board Action: The Board approved the minutes from the May 16, 2022, MDS Special Board of Trustees meeting as modified.

- 4-6/7/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 5:05 pm. All Board, Guest Board, and staff members were allowed to stay.
- 5-6/7/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 5:57 pm.
- 6-6/7/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that the MDS will contribute up to \$40,000 towards the MLR related matters in order to fund the campaign strategist and any associated legal fees. The Board's vote was unanimous.
- 7-6/7/22 Board Action: The Board voted to appoint Dr. Neha Das as an alternate delegate to the ADA House of Delegates. There was one abstention.
- 8-6/7/22 Board Action: The Board voted to postpone definitely to the September 23, 2022, a vote to establish a process to review any Conflict of Interest Forms submitted by candidates for the Business Development Committee until staff can confer with legal counsel.

August 3, 2022

- 1-8/3/22 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the August 3, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Special Meeting as presented.
- 2-8/3/22 Board Action: The Board voted to start the process to select a new At-Large Trustee pending the resignation of current At-Large Trustee Dr. Neha Das. The Board further resolves to use the 2021-2022 Trustee Selection and Nominations Committee to determine the new At-Large Trustee.
- 3-8/3/22 Board Action: The Board decided that Districts and current Board members may submit one candidate for the vacancy of the Secretary position for the remainder of the 2022-2023 term who meets the qualifications. Candidates' names and CVs should be submitted to Executive Director Kevin Monteiro no later than August 22, 2023.
- 4-8/3/22 Board Action: The Board voted to appoint Dr. Kadambari Rawal and Dr. Andrew Tonelli as alternate delegates to the ADA House of Delegates.

September 13, 2022

- 1-9/13/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 7:07 pm to discuss the budget and strategy for the Massachusetts Dental Care Providers for Better Dental Benefits campaign. All Board, Guest Board, and staff were allowed to participate in the session.
- 2-9/13/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 7:55 pm.
- 3-9/13/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it voted unanimously to reallocate \$78,000, previously approved in 2022-2023 fiscal year budget, to the Massachusetts Dental Care Providers for Better Dental Benefits campaign. These funds were initially budgeted for two non-recurring expenditures that are no longer needed this fiscal year.

September 23, 2022

- 1-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board approved the consent agenda for the September 23, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees meeting as presented, which included the following item.
- Approval of the June 7, 2022; August 3, 2022; and September 13, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting minutes.
- 2-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board approved the agenda for the September 23, 2022, MDS Board of Trustees Meeting as modified.

- 3-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board selected Dr. Dylan Weber to be an alternate delegate to the 2022 ADA House of Delegates.
- 4-9/23/22 Board Action: After making one modification to a responsibility of the Regional Trustee, the Board approved the items listed below.
- Roles and Responsibilities of the Regional Trustee
 - Roles and Responsibilities of the At-Large Trustee
 - Officer position descriptions for inclusion in the MDS Board of Trustees Organizational and Operating Manual
- 5-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 8:32 am to discuss the MDS-PAC and EDIC/EDIA. All Board members, Guest Board members, staff, and Derek Domian participated.
- 6-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 8:51 am.
- 7-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted report out of Executive Session that Dr. James Lee disclosed that he serves on the MDS-PAC Board of Directors.
- 8-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 8:52 am to continue its discussion on the MDS-PAC and EDIC/EDIA. All Board members, Guest Board members, staff, and Derek Domian participated.
- 8-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out Executive Session at 10:05 am.
- 10-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it has requested legal counsel to research what oversight the MDS Board of Trustees has over the MDS-PAC and provide that information to the Board at its next meeting.
- 11-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that the MDS would reach out to members of the EDIC and EDIA Board of Directors to consider ways to move forward in a successful future relationship. Prior to this meeting, legal counsel will provide the Board with information about the EDIC charter and the MDS's legal responsibilities to EDIC. Dr. Michael Mayr abstained from this vote.
- 12-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 10:16 am to hear an update on the Massachusetts Dental Care Providers for Better Dental Benefits Campaign from Peri Hall, Peri Hall & Associates. All Board members, Guest Board members, staff, and Peri Hall participated.
- 13-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 11:54 am.
- 14-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board appointed Regional Trustees Dr. Mary DeMello, Dr. Paul Gamache, and Dr. Michael Mayr to the Executive Director Performance Review and Compensation Committee. The other members of that Committee are the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Treasurer serves as chair.
- 15-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board appointed Treasurer Dr. Jennifer Korzeb and Regional Trustees Dr. Mary DeMello, Dr. Paul Gamache, and Dr. Charles Greffrath to serve on the MDS Foundation Board of Directors.
- 16-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to enter into Executive Session to review the CVs of the candidates to fill the open position of Secretary at 1:01 pm. All Board members, Guest Board members, and staff participated.
- 17-9/23/22 Board Action: The Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 1:24 pm.

18-9/23/22

Board Action: The Board voted to report out of Executive Session that it selected Dr. Sathish Palayam to fill the Secretary position for the remainder of the 2022-2023 governance year.