

SCDA Board of Governors Meeting
Wednesday, January 15, 2025
ZOOM Board Meeting

President Deidre Crockett called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. with the following participating: Drs. Carol Baker, Monica Cayouette, Jim Howell, Daniel Hall, Kaley Peek, Daniel Henderson, Mark Fowler, Leslie Jordan, Scott Balzer, Tiffany Karkanen, Danielle Gill, Michael Lee and David Moss. Absent from the meeting was Dr. Doug Alterman. Also participating were ADA 16th District Trustee Jim Mercer, SCDA Legislative Chair Thomas Edmonds, MUSC ASDA student Ashlea Willis, Executive Director Phil Latham, SCDA Associate Executive Director Mark Brown and SCDA Membership Manager Maie Burke.

President Crockett recognized Dr. Cayouette for the invocation.

President Crockett asked for everyone to introduce themselves.

President Crockett asked if there were any conflicts of interest and there being none, on a motion by Dr. Hall, seconded by Dr. Baker the consent agenda was unanimously approved.

President Crockett recognized Mr. Brown who drew attention to the communications piece drafted by the SCDA attorney regarding legal information when it comes to communication.

President Crockett welcomed Dr. Nick Papadea who asked the Board to consider a new SCDA award recognizing women dentists and be named after Dr. Julia Mikell. Dr. Papadea was thanked for his presentation and the Board discussed the item from several angles, but in the end took no action.

President Crockett recognized Dr. Edmonds for the Legislative report. He mentioned a few bills that had been introduced in the new legislative session that the SCDA was monitoring but drew attention to the topics of state board regulations, TMJ, tele dentistry and fluoride. Dr. Edmonds also discussed the need for a new Task Force to look at the South Carolina Code of laws regarding licensure. On a motion by Dr. Hall, seconded by Dr. Cayouette, the establishment of task force was unanimously approved with members to be names at a later time.

President Crockett recognized Dr. Moss for the Investment, Finance and Audit (IFA) report. Dr. Moss gave a summary of the recent IFA Committee meeting mentioning there was an uptick in the market since the election, all SCDA accounts ended 2024 on a positive note. He also mentioned some minor changes that had been made to the accounts to keep them in line with the benchmarks and that the Executive Director's direct expenses were approved.

President Crockett recognized Mr. Brown who presented the following updates for the SCDA Operating Manual. On a motion by Dr. Cayouette, seconded by Dr. Henderson, they were unanimously approved.

Section 405 - Capitalization Policy
(HOD Approved 12-6-2013) (Reviewed with Auditor 12-11-2024)

All equipment, furniture and other fixed assets costing in excess of \$2,500 will be recorded as an asset. All capital assets will be depreciated over their estimated useful lives. The straight-line basis will be used, with depreciation charged beginning in the month that the asset is placed in service.

Sample estimated lives are:

SCDA Board Meeting Minutes

Page 2

Computers & related equipment	3 years
Furniture & Equipment	5 to 7 years
Vehicles	5 years
Parking lot & landscaping	10 years
Building Improvements	15 years
Building	40 years

Section 406 - Contracts

All contracts for service shall be in writing. The Executive Director is authorized to sign service contracts for equipment, program maintenance and other normal office functions. However, the signature of the President and the Executive Director will be mandatory on all contracts in excess of \$5,000 and all contracts which continue for a period greater than 12 months. If the President cannot sign the contract in a timely manner, the Executive Director can obtain permission to be the sole signer via an email from the President.

Section 414 – Corporate Resolution

The Executive Director is the sole individual authorized to establish, maintain, and sign for banking and brokerage accounts on behalf of the SCDA and its subsidiaries, which include the SCDA:

- Education Foundation;
- Member Benefits Group;
- Disaster Relief Fund;
- Convention; and
- Insurance Trust

This power includes all accounts, including the employee retirement program as established by the Board. In the event the Executive Director's position is vacant, the Board shall designate and empower an officer of the Association to fulfill this responsibility. The Associate Executive Director has the power to sign checks related to Member Benefits Group in the absence of the Executive Director.

Section 502 – SCDA Membership Directory Advertising

The SCDA allows ad copies and camera-ready art for companies to advertise in the SCDA membership directory. All ad copies and camera-ready art must be received by a pre-determined date. A contract must be submitted before the advertisement will be published. No spots will be saved, and it is a **first come first serve basis**. A signature is required as an agreement to abide by the terms and conditions of the contract. One free copy will be mailed to the contact person. All ads are subject to the approval of SCDA. SCDA and the editor of the SCDA Bulletin reserve the right to reject any advertising and to edit any ad in their sole discretion. SCDA does not assume liability for content of advertising material. Advertising does not imply product or technique endorsement by SCDA.

Sizes and Prices:

Ad Location	Color/Black and White	Size	Cost – Endorsed	Cost – Non-Endorsed
Outside Back Cover	Color	8 ½ by 11	\$ 1,500	\$1,600
Inside Front Cover	Color	8 ½ by 11	\$ 1,300	\$1,400
Inside Back Cover	Color	8 ½ by 11	\$ 1,200	\$1,300
Page 6 – Full Page	Color	7 ½ x 9 ¾	\$ 1,050	\$1,150
Full Page	Color	7 ½ x 9 ¾	\$ 900	\$1,000
Full Page	Black and White	7 ½ x 9 ¾	\$ 800	\$900
Half Page	Color	7 ½ x 4 ¾	\$ 700	\$800
Half Page	Black and White	7 ½ x 4 ¾	\$ 600	\$700
Quarter Page	Color	3 ½ x 4 ¾	\$ 500	\$600
Quarter Page	Black and White	3 ½ x 4 ¾	\$ 400	\$500

SCDA Board Meeting Minutes
Page 3

President Crockett recognized Dr. Howell for a report on the meeting with MUSC held late 2024. Dr. Howell spoke about the items discussed with the MUSC Dean and others regarding membership among faculty, joint continuing education possibilities, new ADA Ambassador from MUSC and possible future collaborations.

President Crockett recognized Mr. Brown for his report. Mr. Brown mentioned that it was very early in the year and a more thorough report would be provided in March regarding Member Benefits Group. Mr. Brown offered a detailed update on the health plan through South Carolina Blue Cross and Blue Shield as the renewal process was underway.

President Crockett recognized Dr. Mercer for a report from the ADA. He discussed numerous items the ADA was working on including a focus on the reduction of dues, new membership model, enhanced products and services, SPA programs, Credit Union, Forsyth Research Institute, Salesforce/Fonteva, Group practice membership models and Talk Space to be launched February 1st.

President Crockett recognized Ms. Burke for a membership report. Ms. Burke explained numerous issues with the new ADA membership system and how it had slowed membership renewal considerably. She also reported that just over 700 had been renewed for 2025 and over 900 invoices had been mailed to those who had not renewed. In a related matter, Ms. Burke reviewed the voluntary dues contributions received thus far as compared to previous years.

President Crockett recognized Mr. Brown who reported that Dr. Alterman was unable to attend the Board meeting, but his report would be emailed out at a later time and appear in the minutes. Below is the report emailed out to the Board on January 16, 2025.

Greetings from the College of Dental Medicine!

2024 brought about many exciting changes and developments.

Everyone is working feverishly to get ready for our mock site visit in preparation for the upcoming CODA accreditation which is happening in September 2025. A very productive faculty retreat was held to review responsibilities and assignments. Drs. Amy Martin and Joe Gambacorta (our new Dean of Clinical Affairs) are leading the effort.

We are just finishing recruiting for the class of 2029. We have had some exceptional applicants and look forward to them beginning this summer. Preparations are underway for the commencement of the class of 2025 on May 17. The College of Dental Medicine annual Scholars Day will be held on February 21 and our alumni weekend is February 26-March 1, 2025. Historically, the College of Dental Medicine has led the way with the highest percentage of its graduates (compared to the other colleges) attending an educational and fun weekend.

Renovations of the Boyd Lobby are nearing completion which will enhance the Ashley Avenue entrance to the basic science building. This space has a modern design and space for collaboration. The official opening is Alumni Weekend 2025

The College continues to actively recruit faculty and look forward to the addition of two prosthodontists, Drs. Jacqueline Medina and Concepcion Barboza-Arguello. They are both board certified and will add experience and diversity to our faculty. We are also excited that Dr. Perry Stamatiades (MUSC Graduate) will be in our division of restorative dentistry. We continue to recruit positions in Orthodontics, restorative dentistry, and Oral Surgery. We now have two well established external clinic, at the West Ashley Medical Pavillion and Nexton. Our students are rotating at these sites and gaining more experience in a private practice setting. These facilities also give opportunities to some faculty to serve patients beyond the peninsula. In addition, planning is ongoing for the

SCDA Board Meeting Minutes
Page 4

formation of a general practice residency in Florence which is scheduled to begin July 2026. Further preparations are underway for facilities in Lake City and Marion to provide improved access to patients in the PeeDee.

Dean Huja recently attended the ASDA district meeting in Charlotte where our college had excellent representation and received numerous awards and recognition.

In addition, to everything above, 2024 was a wonderful year for the College of Dental Medicine:

1. An innovation Laboratory was created, which give students the opportunity to learn the entire digital workflow –from initial treatment plan to final restoration
2. There was no increase in tuition for the DMD program for the seventh consecutive year.
3. Our new electronic health record is fully implemented
4. The Carlos F. Salinas Program for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Individuals with Special Health Needs celebrated 25 years.
5. Student leaders instituted Field Day and Friendsgiving which demonstrates the dedication of our faculty and staff to our students and residents.

Our college is strong and growing. We are looking forward to a productive and exciting 2025.

President Crockett recognized Ms. Willis, ASDA student from MUSC for her report. She spoke of all the activities planned by ASDA for 2025, including the return of the golf tournament, 14 lunch and learns, national Lobby Day and state Lobby Day.

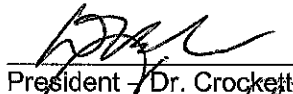
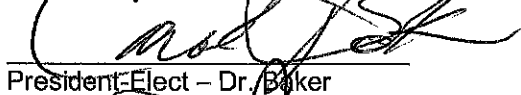
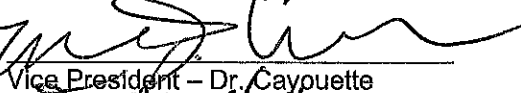
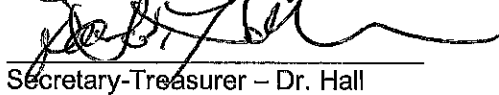
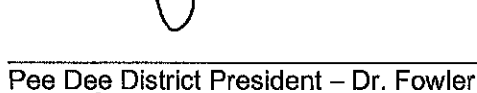
President Crockett mentioned the information reports that had been sent to the Board, reminded everyone of the next SCDA Board meeting on Friday, March 14th at 9 a.m. and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



John P. (Phil) Latham

The minutes of the SCDA January 15, 2025, Board of Governors Meeting were approved at the next SCDA Board meeting on March 14, 2025.


President – Dr. Crockett
President-Elect – Dr. Baker
Vice President – Dr. Cayouette
Secretary-Treasurer – Dr. Hall
Delegation Chair – Dr. Moss
Central District President – Dr. Henderson
Coastal District President – Dr. Jordan
Pee Dee District President – Dr. Fowler
Piedmont District President – Dr. Peek
Immediate Past President/Speaker – Dr. Howell