

From the President

And that's a wrap! I want to thank the Board of Trustees and the Executive Board for your unwavering support throughout the year. It was truly an honor and privilege to serve as President of the Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society. I look forward to what the future holds as I know that we have an amazing group of leaders who will do wonderful things for our component and the future of our profession.



We had an incredible year highlighted by fantastic keynote speakers for our dinner meetings and we finished it off with a "bang" with our Staff Appreciation/Casino Night. The last few years have been challenging for everyone. We had a wonderful event to show our office teams how much we appreciate everything they do for our practices and the patients we serve. At the same time, I think we were able to provide a true member benefit. Another one of our initiatives this year was to recruit new members to the Board of Trustees and I am proud to say that we have done just that – our future is bright!

Organized dentistry has so much to offer our members. Please help me to continue grow our organization by reaching out to a colleague and encourage them to get more involved. Being involved in organized dentistry has been an extremely rewarding experience. It has afforded me the opportunity to create relationships with colleagues that has allowed me to grow as a person, a clinician, and a business owner. We can do so many great things for the betterment of our profession and most importantly, to help those we serve, our patients. Organized dentistry is crucial to the continued growth and success of dentistry as a profession but also our individual success as clinicians and members of our respective communities.

I would like to take this last opportunity to encourage each of our MOCDS members to make sure that you contribute to political action. Your political action dollars help build the relationships necessary for newly elected officials and other candidates to know who NJDA is, and what we, as an organization, stand for. Remember, NJDPAC does not support a single party. It supports our profession. We make sure that organized dentistry's voice is heard by whoever is in power. NJDPAC makes dentists and oral health relevant to those who make policy decisions on our profession. As Dr. Loren Feldner, the past ADPAC chair, has said so eloquently, "If we aren't at the table, we are on the menu."

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer and I am looking forward to seeing everyone again in the fall at our October 2023 dinner meeting!

"Every time you **SMILE** at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing." Mother Teresa.



JUNE 2023



ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING Tuesday, August 8, 2023 – 7 PM ZOOM

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Wednesday, September 20, 2023 COMPOSITE BONDING: THE "ULTIMATE ESTHETICS" COURSE

Dr. Corky Willhite JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune and Live ZOOM

TRUSTEES MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 2023 – 7 PM **ZOOM**

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday – October 17, 2023 "ETHICS FOR DENTISTS 2023" Alex Keoskey WATERVIEW PAVILION, BELMAR FREE FOR MOCDS MEMBERS & EARN 2 CE CREDITS!

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Wednesday, October 18, 2023 "10 MINUTES TO SAVE A LIFE: EMERGENCY MEDICINE IN DENTISTRY"

Dr. Stanley Malamed JSUMC John K. Lloyd Amphitheater, Neptune and Live ZOOM

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Supporting Our Profession, And Not A Political Party

WHY JOIN THE NJ DENTAL POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE?

Benjamin Franklin said, "We must all hang together, or assuredly we shall all hang separately." How appropriate when one talks about assuring the vitality of dentistry. Having served in a leadership role in dentistry for many years, I assure you there is strength in numbers, and power when there is unity among colleagues.

All too often, we become absorbed in our daily routine, and we often forget about those outside influences that have a tremendous effect on the way we treat our patients and how we manage our businesses. Legislators, regulators, insurance companies and countless others constantly barrage dentistry with overbearing rules and regulations that affect what we do and how we do it.

The most effective means of addressing these immense challenges is with a conversation. Conversations that educate non-dentists who need to understand us and the impact their actions can have on our businesses and the patients we treat. Dentistry has these conversations because of relationships that have been built through our political action – NJDPAC.

Strong relationships are critical to ensure we tell our own story and not be subjected to others who simply do not understand. Political action is paramount to building and strengthening these political relationships. It is the best pathway to meet and develop relationships with the state and local elected officials.

In 2021 less than 24 percent of NJDA members contributed to NJDPAC. As of today we are at 20% for 2022. That's not adequate to face current and future challenges like corporate ownership, direct-to-consumer dentistry, mid-level providers, reduced reimbursement, third party interference, student debt, and needless overregulation. We need to do better, and we can!

Help us push our Disallowed bill to the finish line. Appreciate the work that went into having dentists declared essential health care providers during the pandemic. The Federal and State funding that so many dentists received saved many practices. Let's not forget the work that has been done at the State and Federal level in holding off a dental benefit in Medicare.

Please join me today as a contributor to the NJ Dental Political Action Committee. NJDPAC does not support a political party. It supports our profession. Join me and take your seat at the table and be heard, otherwise you can be assured that our profession will be on the menu.



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M-OCDS TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES May 2, 2023

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May 2, 2023

Attendance:

Trustees: M. Ahern, S. Albin, C. Andricsak, P. Condello, J. Feeney, M. Friedman, M. Furlong, A. Gupta, R. Hersh, R. Isaacson, J. Jeffries-Bruno, N. Nebblett, A. Seto, D. Shah, T. Sniscak, J. Soliman & M. Sones

Non-Trustees: J. Dinowitz, A. Gobran & J. Rassias

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Matthew Sones at 7:03 PM. The meeting was held via ZOOM video conferencing.

We do have a Quorum.

Approval of the minutes from last meeting:

Motion was made to approve the minutes of the prior meeting was made by Dr. Isaacson and seconded by Dr. Gupta. Motion passed unanimously and the minutes were approved.

President's Report (Dr. Sones):

Our last dinner meeting of the 2022-2023 cycle was fantastic. We had a great turnout for a wonderful speaker, Dr. Alexander Volchonok, who provided valuable information on new techniques in periodontal treatment that every dentist should know. Our next dinner meeting will be in October 2023.

Our Staff Appreciation Casino Night at the Sheraton Hotel in Eatontown on April 28, 2023 was outstanding! We had over 170 registered guests in attendance and everyone had a wonderful time. I want to thank our sponsors: Align Healthcare Realty, Bank of America, and CFS Dental Division. Without the support of our sponsors, the evening would not have been such a huge success. Our casino vendor, Tumbling Dice, was incredible! I also want to thank my wife, the Executive Board, and the Board of Trustees for their support. Many of our Board members were in attendance and it was great to see everyone having such a great time. I hope that we were able to provide a true member benefit and also provide value to membership in organized dentistry. The teams we work with in our offices allow us to do what we love and provide quality care to those in our communities. It was great to be able to show our appreciation for their hard work and dedication to our profession.

As discussed at our last board meeting, we are in the process of reviewing and changing our MOCDS Constitution and Bylaws to reflect how we currently operate as a society. Please make sure you take the time to carefully and thoughtfully review the first set of changes that were previously sent out to all Board members. I would like to personally thank and acknowledge the hard work and dedication of Dr. Robert Hersh who has been working diligently on formulating the proposed changes. Dr. Hersh has graciously agreed to continue as the chair of our bylaw committee until the bylaws have been completed. That being said, we need to take advantage of Dr. Hersh's hard work and expertise.

As this Board of Trustees meeting will be my last as the active MOCDS President, I want to thank everyone for a wonderful year. I appreciate everyone's support and guidance. It was an honor and a privilege to serve as the President of the Monmouth-Ocean County Dental Society. I am looking forward to what the future has in store for MOCDS as I know our component will do great things. Our incoming President, Dr. John Soliman, will provide outstanding leadership. Thank you!

Sponsorship Report

We will be seeking out sponsors for our 2023-2024 dinner meeting CE series beginning in June and July. If you are aware of a vendor that might be interested or a company you might like to see at a future meeting, please let me know and I will gladly reach out.

First and foremost I want to congratulate our President Dr. Sones on a successful Staff appreciation night. His hard work, meticulous efforts and diligence will be leaving me big shoes to fill. The budget and preliminary schedule for next year has been updated and circulated for review and approval.

Treasurer's Report (Dr. Nebblett):

All accounts are in good standing.

Secretary's Report (Dr. Seto):

Please add your photos from Staff Appreciation Night to the Google Photos album https://photos.app.goo.gl/VEX7JFS1omNiJFEm8

NJDA Trustee Report (Drs. Furlong & Jeffries-Bruno):

CE - remind of programs available on the NJDA website, including monthly cases

• MATE ACT - Page dedicated to information on MATE ACT on the NJDA Website. Next year NJDA will sponsor all 8 credits. Currently there are 4 total credits available via NJDA (1+3)

• ADPAC - important to support ADPAC. Dr. Giorgio DiVincenzo spoke on the importance and the impact on relationships on the federal level. Text ADPAC to 34534. Pilot program to strengthen State PACs, NJ to be on the list of states.

Look for Podcast "Tooth Talk" / ADA

Anyone interested in running for any office - "Campaign School" is a great resource. (via ADA)

• Peer Review: get the message to members about the program. There had been an evaluation of other similar programs in other states and how they ran them (member benefit, fee, etc). Discussion was moved to a future meeting.

- Golf event Trenton Country Club NJPAC Oct 18th
- 2024 Lobby Day April 28-30th

Medicaid: All children regardless of immigration status are eligible to be covered.

- Important year for supporting NJDPAC
- Women's Leadership Summit is in the process of being organized.
- HOD 6/7/23, 11/8/23 (hybrid), 6/5/23
- Dr. Peter Desciscio Dinner Celebration: 6/17/23
- ADA HOD 10/7/23-10/10/23 (Sat Tues)

Jim Schulz

Progress for Virtual Credit card issue Provide choice and transparency of any fees involved

Working alongside Health Care providers Ins co will be required to give options on how we would like to be

reimbursed (check, virtual cc or EFT) with built in penalties if they do not comply.

Career ladders for DA schools

Rowan University announces DA school

Policy issues surrounding the programs, (18yo requirement for xray training for DA school)

Other insurance issues/Fees reviewed and more collaboration with medicine/physician

COUNCILS:

Council on Annual Session (Dr. Andricsak)

The Council has not had a follow-up meeting yet therefore, I do not have information about attendance and feedback.

My observation was that the venue and format was well received. The dinner reception was also very nice and I feel it was well attended.

Council on Membership (Dr. Sniscak):

91.5% retention MOCDS (vs 90% for NJDA)

Council on Peer Review (Dr. Friedman):

No active cases. Discussed was had regarding NJDA Peer Review and the NJ State Board. Any questions should be addressed to NJDA and the Division of Consumer Affairs NJ State Board.

Vice President's Report (Dr. Soliman):

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M-OCDS TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES May 2, 2023

COMMITTEES:

Committee on Communications (Dr. Friedman):

The next newsletter issue will be in June. Submissions due by May 17th. I will need photos from dinner meetings & Casino Night.

Committee on Constitution and Bylaws (Dr. Hersh):

See Old Business.

Committee on Nominations (Dr. Soliman):

We are still looking for someone to head up the Annual Sessions. Installation of Officers: will aim for organizational BOT but can also set up a different time with NJDA officers.

Committee on Budget and Finance (Dr. Albin):

All accounts in good standing.

Further discussion regarding donations to JSUMC/MMC to occur via email. JSUMC has been very supportive of our organization for decades and we would like to show our appreciation. Details to be discussed.

Committee on General Membership and Educational Programs (Dr. Gupta and Dr. Seto):

We had 39 people attend our April dinner meeting, including two Jersey Shore residents. Attendance for the March and April meetings have been submitted to the AGD for our general dentist members to earn CE credits toward their FAGD/MAGD/LLSR. Akriti and I have been starting conversations with some of the younger members who have attended meetings about the BOT and encouraging them to join and get more involved if they are interested.

NJ Dental Lifeline Network (formerly Donated Dental Services) (Dr. Feeney):

Please accept the semi-annual report (7/1/22-12/31/22) as the most recent update to NJDLN activities.

Highlighted are 235 patients served and \$452,983 value of statewide donated treatment by 588 dentists (195 specialists/393 generalists).

\$5.49 worth of treatment for every administrative dollar spent. Each patient received an average of \$4,405 worth of care.

5 new volunteer dentists were recruited.

Disabilities of patients were mostly cardiac, musculoskeletal disorders ,autoimmune diseases, mental health ,elderly and cancer.

M-OCDS volunteers have completed 18% of all the state's patients!!

M-OCDS volunteers are responsible for 14% of the total \$value that was generated!!

M-OCDS has 4 past presidents who currently serve out of 17 volunteer administrators!!

This is magnanimous upon considering M-OCDS membership is about 9% of the NJDA membership!!.

I am proud. to say this reflects the altruistic culture of humanism that is inherent within M-OCDS.

We do need more volunteers from ocean county .please consider this: Since inception NJDLN has treated 9,488 patients that has created \$ 27,493,400 worth of donated care.

If you already volunteer thank you. If not please consider joining us to provide the dignity of a healthy smile for those of our communities who are marginalized .

For additional information or application please call (732)821-3056 Ms. Shanda Bell.

www.DentalLifeline.org

Old Business:

Website updates:

New DEA/MATE Act requirements - and if Dr. Condello puts together a course that will satisfy the requirement

List the normal dental license requirements

Update the NJDA delegates and alternates on the website

Update advertising rates in the newsletter, and upload to more recent newsletters.

First section of revised Bylaws to be reviewed.

1. ARTICLE III

Section 20. OFFICE

Question: Should the Constitution provide for an office of the MOCDS? Wording that it may include an office, for flexibility.

2. ARTICLE IV

Section 20. APPOINTING OFFICERS

Question: Should new MOCDS TRUSTEES be selected by the MOCDS Nominating Committee and confirmed by a vote of the MOCDS Board of Trustees, or should new MOCDS Trustees be elected by the General Membership Assembly?

Board of Trustees, not General Membership Assembly - BOT meetings are open to all members, meeting minutes are distributed to all members via newsletter

3. ARTICLE VI

MEETINGS

Question: In an effort to select a term for the general membership meetings which suggests its legislative role, the term general membership meetings has been modified to GENERAL MEMBERSHIP ASSEMBLY. Is this acceptable?

As long as we define the difference between membership and membership assembly.

4. ARTICLE VII

AMENDMENTS

Question: Should a quorum be a stipulation on all votes conducted by the GENERAL MEMBERSHIP ASSEMBLY? If so, what quorum is recommended?

Majority of people present and eligible to vote (ie, students, guests, vendors not eligible to vote).

1. Should a Non-practicing Dentist Member have the privilege of voting or holding an office?

Yes, as long as he/she still maintains an active license vs membership in good standing - need to define "non-practicing dentist member" more specifically

2. Should the annual budget be adopted by the MOCDS Board or the General Membership Assembly?

BOT is responsible.

3. Do we need alternate MOCDS Board of Trustees?

Consider Ameritas Trustees for those who have been trustees and served us, still hold a title but not affect quorum, they are still open to coming to meetings and voice opinions. Created requirement for attendance at BOT meetings (50%)

New Business:

Dr. Friedman made a motion to accept the proposed budget. Dr. Nebblett seconded. Motion passed (14 yes out of 16).

Good and welfare:

Dr. Feeney made a heartfelt salutation to our President, Dr. Matt Sones

Be aware of identity theft and ransomware attacks.

Congratulations on a great year and for a wonderful staff appreciation event that was a lot of fun!

Have a great summer!

The meeting was adjourned at 9:09PM.

Respectfully submitted, A. Seto, DMD M-OCDS Secretary 2022-2023

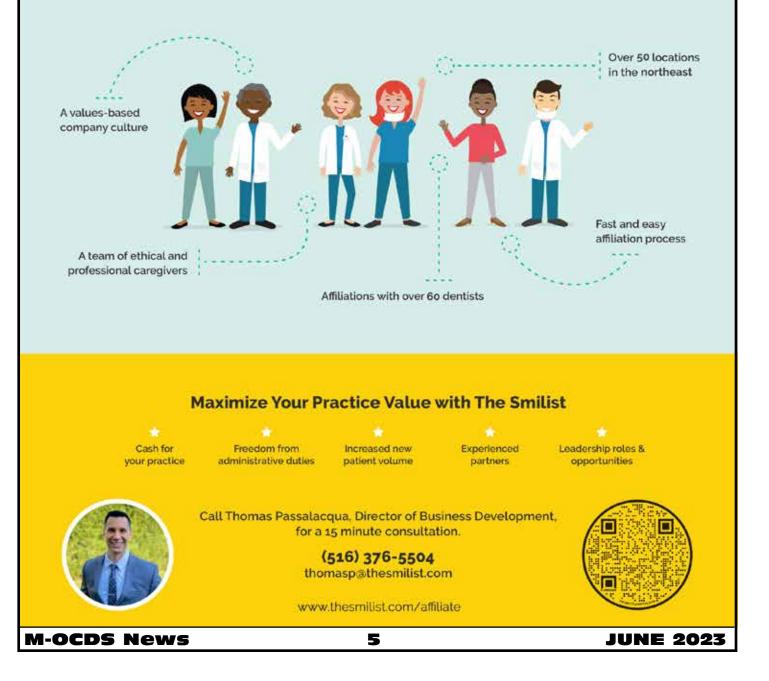
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General Membership Dinner meeting April 18, 2023



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Both Events will be offered in person at the Grand Marquis - Old Bridge, NJ Registration and Continental Breakfast begins at 8:00 am Program begins at 9:00 am

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Dr. Hornbrook Course Synopsis

Dentistry is changing faster today than anytime in modern history. The role of the monolithic restorations, Universal Adhesives, and digital, needs to be understood and implemented in every dental practice. As a practicing clinician and as the Director of Education and Technology at Utah Valley Dental Lab, Dr. David Hornbook has a very unique perspective of these changes in what he has coined "living on both sides of the Bench". With a practice focused on metal-free, all-ceramic Aesthetic based dentistry, Dr. Hornbrook understands the importance of predictability, ease of use, and long term success when deciding which restorative material and cementation option will provide the best results. As the Director of Technology at a State-of-the-Art Dental Lab, his day to day interaction with ceramists and other clinicians provides him a thorough understanding of the problems both these groups face and how they are overcoming challenges and benefitting from CAD:CAM, Digital Wax-ups and Design, and high strength, aesthetic ceramic materials.

Dr. Christensen Course Synopsis

For the first time every you get to pick the top ten topics. Please select from the list below and Dr. Christensen will be happy to address our picks!! This fast moving "bottom line" course includes the areas of dentistry with the most activity and change in any given year. It is easily understood and has numerous summaries that help attendees to interpret the ongoing advancements in the profession. The course encourages audience participation, and questions and answers and is presented in an enjoyable and humorous manner. The hottest aspects in the following topics will be included in the planned program depending on the interests of our participants.

Thank you for your support of our program. If you have any questions please email dentallectureseries@rwjbh.org or Robert.McTaggart@rwjbh.org

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