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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Dr. Murphey put me in touch with Dr. Guevara to collaborate on offering APRN's CE's at our summit and he with someone else.</li> </ul> <p>A Sponsor prospectus has been developed and is currently being sent out to sponsors. Dr. Harrington expressed pleasure with the corporate sponsorship located on the Website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The opening reception will be on Thursday with the Poster Presentations.</li> </ul> <p>Thursday Tract: Patricia Braun, M. D. will be presenting the Maternal Child Symposium. Oral Health Risk Factor and Riding the Wave of the Silver Tsunami will be presented by Patti DiGangi, R.D.H., B.S.</p> <p>Friday Plenary: Charles Whitney, M.D. has committed to be the Keynote Speaker for the Summit in November 2015 and is currently trying to find sponsorship to help pay his honorarium and travel expenses. Judith Haber, PhD from New York will be presenting a program on "Putting the Mouth Back into the Head: HEENT to HEENOT" "Increasing Access Through Tele-dentistry" will be presented by Maureen Harrington, MPH. Dr. Whitney and Patti DiGangi will present about the Oral Systemic Link/Interprofessional Collaboration topic." Title forthcoming.</p> <p>Saturday Courses: Claudia A Serna, PhD from Florida will present "Use of Social Media Platforms to Build Broader Networks and Enhance the Public's Oral Health". Kimberly Krust Bray, RDH, MS will present "Brief Motivational Interviewing: Achieving Sustainable Behavior Change to Improve Health". Tides of Change: How Electronic Oral Health Records Will Impact You Now" will be presented by Patti DiGangi</p> <p>Exhibitors and Corporate Sponsors may be viewed on the TxOHC Website. Also on the Website is the new Support page with sponsorship and donation opportunities.</p> <p>Dr. Cappelli commented on a possible speaker: Sonja Lauren who has published a new book entitled "The Covered Smile".</p> <p>Beth commented that there are talks about hosting a policy workshop next spring.</p>	
Special Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Legislative/Advocacy</b> – Erik Harrington <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Refer to the Bills posted in <b>Vol 3, Issue 4 e-brief</b></li> <li>○ HB 1581 has not gone to calendars yet</li> <li>○ HB 109 will have the requirement for a bachelors degree removed</li> <li>○ HB 2266 has language adding a dental technician to the Board</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>SB787 and HB1940 include the Dental Hygiene Practitioner (DHP) (a type of dental mid-level provider), collaborative practice for DHP's and dental hygienists and tele-dentistry.</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The DHP would add 2 years of education for a RDH to become a DHP. The House Public Health Committee is scheduled to have a hearing on April 6<sup>th</sup>. The Texas bills do not have a bachelor or master's degree requirement like the state of Minnesota has.</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The DHP would be able to assess and treat, assess radiographs, perform local anesthesia, provide stainless steel crowns, do some restorations, and would have prescriptive authority. The DHP would provide services in long term care facilities, adult day care, Head Start Programs and underserved areas. Would be able to expand access to dental services through Tele-dentistry. The bills prohibit independent practice by the DHP. Would promote direct reimbursement by the DHP as a separate provider type. The DHP would have a collaborative agreement with the dentist. The education required by the DHP would not offer an additional degree but only a certification. The educational institution offering the 4 semesters of DHP training would have to be CODA accredited. Currently there are between 400-500 RDH graduates a year. The DHP would offer opportunities for existing RDH's to increase scope of practice through additional education.</li> <li>○ Nancy Cline proposed that the TxOHC join the Texas Dental Access Coalition. TDAC was formed by the TDHA lobbyist in order to promote the bills on DHP.</li> <li>○ TDHA is in favor of both bills. The Texas Dental Access Coalition (TDAC) is in favor of a DHP. TDA is opposed.</li> </ul> <p>Dr. Lee commented that supporting the DHP legislation could prove to be a dangerous position for the TxOHC in that we could lose TDA support. The TDHA offers some good talking points. Sharon Dickinson agrees with Dr. Lee that TxOHC should consider not joining the TDAC.</p> <p>Dr. Cappelli stated that the TxOHC look at the merits of the bills and how they would impact the oral health of the citizens of Texas. There is no assurance that the bills would re-distribute the workforce and the DHP may end up working in the metropolitan areas. Nancy commented that we don't know that will happen. Dr. Lee comments that we could make a difference and that prevention is a key.</p> <p>Dr. Harrington asked if there were any other questions.</p> <p>Dr. Owens commented mid level providers would offer education to areas where people do not have a dental home and that she feels we should be trusting in how the DHP would be utilized.</p> <p>Cathy commented that she agrees with Nancy that RDH's are currently underutilized. There is a significant need to provide some kind of model to address underserved areas. She believes that</p>	

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	<p>this will be a win/win for the population of Texas. She appreciates everyone's comments.</p> <p>Beth reached out to TDA for comments regarding the topic of midlevel providers and received a comment that according to an ADA article the existing models do not show a reduction in disease.</p> <p>All were reminded of the mission of the TxOHC, which is to promote oral health across the life span by advocating for optimal oral health for all Texans through statewide partnerships. Dr. Harrington believes we need to stand by our mission statement. Dr. Harrington asked for any other contributions, or do we need more time to reflect before a vote?</p> <p>Dr. Lee commented that "if I knew it would work I would be on board with it".</p> <p>Dr. Harrington inquired if the DHP bill is like other states. Nancy commented that it is very similar to other states.</p> <p>Dr. Cappelli stated that other states and throughout the world the mid level has been safe and effective. Alaska has the longest running model with no adverse effects.</p> <p>Dr. Lee asked how we are going to ensure that this model will work.</p> <p>After much discussion Nancy Cline made the motion that the TxOHC join the TDAC. Joining the TDAC would imply that we support their position. Cathy Blunck seconded the motion.</p> <p>Board members asked for some clarification as to what the motion meant about joining TDAC.</p> <p>Nancy Cline withdrew her original motion and made a subsequent motion that the TxOHC join the TDAC and support HB 1940 and SB 787. This motion was seconded by Dr. David Cappelli.</p> <p>Beth asked if the vote needed was to be by consensus or majority. If the motion is a policy statement then consensus is required. Dr. Owens read a definition for policy statement and the motion did not seem to fit, so it was determined that a vote to join the TDAC would not be a policy statement.</p> <p>Nancy Cline called the question and the discussion ended. According to article 6.4 meeting by conference requires that each member's vote be accounted for.</p> <p>Six (6) voted in favor of the motion for TxOHC to join the Texas Dental Access Coalition (TDAC) and support HB 1940 and SB 787:</p> <p>Dr. Erik Harrington, Dr. David Cappelli, Dr. Sherdeana Owens, Cathy Blunck, Nancy Cline and Pamela Myers.</p> <p>One (1) Opposed: Dr. Mac Lee</p> <p>Two (2) Abstained: Beth Stewart Sharon Dickinson</p>	

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	<p>The motion passed. Nancy Cline to advise TDAC of the decision.</p> <p>Beth agreed to compose a formal letter for the hearing.</p> <p>Dental Reform Act for 2015 – shall TxOHC sign on?</p>	

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V. New Business	<p><b>New Business</b></p> <p>Any New Business? Beth and Dr. Harrington will develop a list to rotate people to serve on Minutes Review.</p>	

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VI. Old Business	<p>Denta Quest Foundation will not fund a Burden Book Restructuring BOD to include Chair-elect – Tabled 1/31/15</p> <p>Staggered Terms</p> <p>Length of Terms for Directors</p>	<p>Staggered Terms and Length of Term Tabled</p>

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VII. Announcements	<p>Next BOD meeting – Schedule beforehand and announce</p> <p>May want to stick with Thursdays at 5:30 if all attended 4-2-2015</p> <p>Thursday, June 4, 2015 at 5:30 pm – Conference Call- Beth to send out doodle poll to confirm date for next conference call</p> <p>April 25-29, 2015 - National Oral Health Conference Kansas City, MO</p> <p>May 27-29, 2015 – DQF S/SE Regional Convening – Austin, TX</p> <p>November 5-7, 2015 - Texas Oral Health Summit Omni Colonnade San Antonio, TX</p>	

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<b>VIII. Adjournment</b>		
Motion to adjourn by Beth Stewart		
Seconded by Sherdeana Owens		
Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm		
Next Meeting: Monday, June 8 at 5:00pm		

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_