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Special Meeting of the Hawaii Dental Association Board of Trustees

Saturday, March 21, 2020

Via Zoom

Minutes

Members present: Drs. Edmund Cassella, Zach Dodson, Carla Fukumoto, Craig Haruki, Sean Holliday, Anthony Kim, Wayne Leong, Dayton Lum, Jaclyn Lum, Jaclyn Palola, Wesley Sato, and Curt Shimizu

Members absent: Drs. Patsy Fujimoto, Paul Guevara, Scott Kanamori, and Russell Tabata

Guest present: Ms. Melissa Pavlicek, Hawaii Public Policy Advocates

HDA Staff: Ms. Kim Nguyen, Executive Director

1. Call to Order – President Wayne Leong called the special meeting to order at 6:04PM and welcomed Ms. Melissa Pavlicek.

2. COVID-19

- A. **Stay at Home Order** – Members discussed whether or not HDA should request such a statewide order from the Governor. There is ongoing talk that he is considering one, and that it would take into consideration all industries, not just dentistry and healthcare. Therefore, HDA will not make any recommendations to the State. However, HDA would offer itself to the State as a healthcare resource.
- B. **Employment Presentation** – Mr. Chris Yeh will be presenting this on Tuesday, March 24th. Questions are being collected in advance.
- C. **Media** – KHON aired a story about dentists “closing” offices despite HDA’s statement that the ADA and HDA are recommending the postponement of elective procedures. HPPA and HDA will continue working with and responding to media inquiries, as COVID-19 develops, but it is important to remember that HDA does not control the outcome or when the story is aired.
- D. **Resources**
 - i. There was agreement to host an economics-type presentation for membership, since many have reduced hours per the recommendation.
 - ii. HPPA is compiling governmental county and state updates daily and will share those with HDA; HDA will upload to our website.

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iii. HDA has been receiving requests for PPE donations from members – HDA will put out this call to members in our email blasts.

4. Adjournment – there being no further business, Dr. Leong adjourned the meeting at 7:20PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Carla Fukumoto
Secretary