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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Philip Wolkstein, DMD

One of the "privileges" of being President of a state specialty organization, such as CSPD, is membership of the Interdisciplinary Affairs Committee of C.D.A. Committee members include the CDA President, the Executive Director, the General Council, the Director of Government Relations, the CDA Public Health Representative, and all the Presidents of the specialty organizations. The Committee meets to review the state's ongoing issues which CDA is actively involved with, and their relation to the various specialty organizations.

This year's meeting consisted mainly of reports presented by the CDA leadership and its representatives. Although many of the issues did not necessarily seem directly relevant to pediatric dentistry, the meeting was extremely informative. I was definitely impressed with the depth and breadth of CDA's involvement in issues that concern all of dentistry. I am enclosing the Committee's most recent meeting agenda.

As your President, I will continue to become informed on all Committee matters. Please contact me with your questions and suggestions. I will do my best to provide the answers, or give direction to those who may better supply the information requested.

ISSUES DISCUSSED AT THE INTERDISCIPLINARY AFFAIRS MEETING

- A. Health Care Reform
 - 1. Clinton Administration Plan
 - 2. ADA/CDA Positions
- B. Department of Health Services/DentiCal Issues
 - 1. Sacramento County Geographic Managed Care
 - 2. Adult Benefit Changes
 - 3. Dental Sealant Implementation
- C. Legislative Issues
 - 1. MICRA/CAPP Issues
 - 2. AB 221 Update
 - 3. AB 919 Licentiate Report of Financial Issues
 - 4. AB 595 Outpatient Surgical Settings
 - 5. Elimination of Deduction for Lobbying Expenses
- D. National Practitioner Databank Decision
- E. Legal Issues
 - 1. Environmental Law Foundation Action: Amalgam
 - 2. Hospital History and Physical Privileges
 - 3. NAFTA
 - 4. FTC Complaint against CDA
- F. CDA Policy re: Specialization
 - 1. "Practice Limited To" advertising
- G. General Insurance Issues

I hope everyone has a very happy holiday season, and a happy and healthy New Year.

THE PROPOSED NATIONAL HEALTH CARE PLAN

Near the end of October, Hillary Clinton was invited to make a presentation to the American Academy of Pediatrics in Washington, D.C. During her dynamic and knowledgeable presentation, it became obvious that she and the President feel that the A.A.P. is generally supportive of the National Health Plan.

The Academy feels that it is in an excellent position to influence some of the final decisions that have to be made before the plan is implemented. The President of the Academy is the Clinton's Pediatrician and appears to have their ear.

Although the Academy has not announced its support for the plan as it has been outlined, they feel that with certain modifications to the plan, support and/or endorsement may be forthcoming from the A.A.P. as negotiations proceed.

At the District II board meeting of the A.A.P., the modifications which would make the plan acceptable to the A.A.P. were broadly outlined:

1. The A.A.P. feels that the periodicity schedule is deficient, but the bill is being changed to allow yearly exams, rather than approximately every three years. This may include a co-payment option. This difference appears to have been partially resolved.

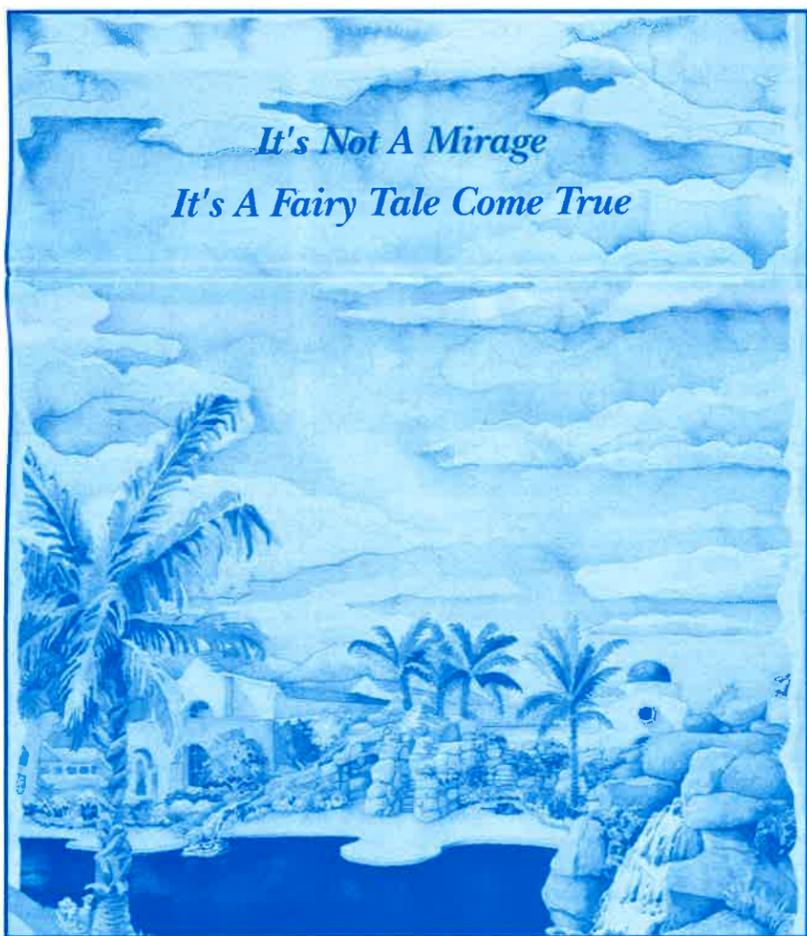
2. The Academy feels that the coverage is not universal in that it only allows for emergency coverage for undocumented aliens, even though many of the children are born in this country.

3. The Academy feels that there should not be cost-sharing at the point of service, but rather some other mechanism to collect co-payment fees.

4. The A.A.P. would like the scope of practice of nurses, nurse practitioners and physicians assistants closely defined to ensure control of the quality of care within the plan. Unless this is accomplished, school clinics with nurses, N.P.'s or P.A.'s running the centers with little or no Pediatric output, may be come primary providers and revenue generating sources in the school system.

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CSPD ANNUAL MEETING RANCHO MIRAGE, APRIL 7-10, 1994



BE THERE!

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Doctor, tomorrow morning walk into your office through the waiting room. Look around you. Do you like what you see? Is this a comfortable place? Is it neat and clean? Whatever you see is what your patients see.

PRACTICE MANAGEMENT TIP

Doctor, do your patients say this about you?
"When I sit in my doctor's chair, I feel like the most important person in the whole world."

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CLINICIAN'S CORNER

USE OF CHLORAL HYDRATE FOR SEDATION IN CHILDREN

Ed: The following information is summarized from an article appearing in "Pediatrics" (Vol. 92, No. 3, 9-93). Our thanks to Phil Task for bringing this to our attention.

"Publicity about the possible carcinogenicity of chloral hydrate along with the suggestion that alternate sedatives should be used in children has generated concern among physicians, dentists, and their patients. Replacement of chloral hydrate with other sedatives would represent a major change in practice because it is one of the drugs most widely employed to sedate young children undergoing dental and medical procedures and imaging studies."

The material in this article was composed by the Committee on Drugs 1992-1993, and the Committee on Environmental Health 1992-1993. The literature reference list 38 sources. What follows is the "Conclusions and Recommendations" presented at the end of the article. As always, in this column, you are urged to research material and evaluate its worth to your own satisfaction.

1. Chloral hydrate is an effective sedative with a low incidence of acute toxicity when administered orally in the recommended dosage for short-term sedation. There is a great deal of experience with chloral hydrate and most practitioners are familiar with its use.

2. Repetitive dosing of chloral hydrate is of concern because of accumulation of the metabolites, trichloroethanol and trichloroacetic acid, which may produce excessive central nervous system depression, predispose newborns to conjugated and non conjugated hyperbilirubinemia, decrease albumin binding of bilirubin, and contribute to metabolic acidosis.

3. Although available information regarding theoretical long-term risk of carcinogenicity is of concern, it does not provide a basis for sufficient concern to warrant selection of an alternative sedative rather than chloral hydrate.

4. Sufficient data are not available for children to establish any of the available sedatives as superior with respect to either efficacy or safety. A sudden switch by physicians and dentists from a sedative with which they are familiar to one with which there are not sufficient safety and pharmacologic studies in children may pose a greater immediate risk to children than a theoretical risk of carcinogenesis from short-term sedation with chloral hydrate.

5. Additional well-designed studies in infants and children need to be conducted to provide the information necessary for the safest and most efficacious use of sedatives in pediatric patients.

DENTAL CARE COMMITTEE

OCTOBER 23, 1993

Sealants - CSPD, in conjunction with the National Center for Youth Law, was able to get sealants included as a Denti-Cal benefit. This occurred as an emergency ruling under the settlement of Clark vs. Coyle. The benefit fee is \$9.00 per tooth.

In addition, Richard Soberl testified on behalf of CSPD, in Sacramento, to clarify and revise the proposed guidelines.

CHDP - Steve Blain attended the dental sub-committee on behalf of Wayne Grossman. The major announcements and issues are as follows:

- CHDP will be merged with other units and the new department will be called Children's Medical Services (CMS).

- Numerous counties are presenting training programs on baby bottle tooth decay (BBTD). A spring statewide conference is being planned and CSPD will be asked to participate.

- Kerry Hansen announced that CDA's response to managed care will be late in the process. He anticipates a task force being developed with the Dental Health Foundation and Dental Health Services.

- SB99 monies have been dwindling in many counties, causing concern about repayment for CHDP services. It was noted that care will probably go the way of managed care, but additional funding will not be considered until the reauthorization cycle in March/June 1994.

- Robert Isman announced that legislation is being planned to require periodic monitoring of fluoride on the local level. SB III has a new coordinator and one of her goals is to increase fluoridation statewide through legislation sponsored by Jackie Spears, San Mateo county assembly-woman.

- Behavioral data from the Oral Health needs assessment study will be analyzed December 1993.

- Molly Coyle is interested in conducting a 1-2 day forum to discuss and delineate the issues in planning dental managed care.

- There is a bill (SB 1073) on the governor's desk to be signed to exempt CHDP and CCS from being absorbed by managed care for three years. AAP has been instrumental in moving this bill through the legislative.

- The CHDP preventive dental care periodicity schedule was submitted (see enclosed) but I was unable to attend the discussions. Ironically, the age group susceptible to nursing and bottle caries is not part of the routine schedule. CSPD, through Wayne Grossman may wish to respond. Stephen Blain, Chairman

ASDC MEETING

JANUARY 18, 1994

"Update on Craniofacial Surgery"

Henry Kawamoto, MD

Henry provides an interesting presentation—not your everyday, run-of-the-mill pediatric dentistry.

Red Lion Hotel, Culver City

NEWS FROM THE DENTAL SCHOOLS

Congratulations 1993 grads! Our warmest congratulations and best wishes go out to the following graduates:

From USC:

Dr. Chrys Cutrone: Chrys attended Washington Square College and New York University, where she received a B.A. in Psychobiology. She received her D.D.S. degree at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston in 1989. After completing a General Practice Residency at Cornell Medical Center/New York Hospital, she entered private practice for a year. Since completing her Pediatric Dental Residency at U.S.C., she is looking forward to an associateship leading to partnership in Orange County. She is also employed part-time at Rancho Los Amigos Medical Center and is involved with the cleft palate team and residency programs. Chrys enjoys tennis, impressionist art, and is the "biggest fan of tweedy bird this side of the country"!

Dr. Scott Fishman: Scott attended Chapman University and during his college years received a basketball scholarship under the direction of Coach Walter Hazzard. After he was awarded a B.A. in Biology, he continued his dental education at Marquette University. He received his DDS degree in 1991. After the completion of his pediatric dental residency at USC, he will enter private practice in La Palma. He will also be on staff at Childrens Dental Health Clinic at Long Beach Memorial Hospital. Scott enjoys playing tennis, softball, and basketball. He is also a "big time LA Dodger Fan"!

From U.C.L.A.

Dr. Warren Aka: A native of Torrance, California, Warren headed south to attend the University of California at San Diego. Although he changed majors four times during his undergraduate years (from biology to economics to mathematics to psychology to animal physiology), Warren still managed to graduate in four years! He went on to attend dental school at UCLA where he received his DDS in 1991. After graduation from the UCLA Postdoctoral Program in Pediatric Dentistry, Warren plans to practice in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Dr. Jon Way: Jon spent most of his childhood years in Pullman Washington, except for a year in London, England at the age of 13. He acquired a B.S. in Zoology and a minor in Chemistry in 1983 at Washington State University. A DDS in 1987 at the University of Washington followed. After a year of private practice and three years of pediatric dentistry with disadvantaged and S.E. Asian refugee children for the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health, Jon decided to fine tune his techniques by completing a Pediatric Dental Residency at UCLA. He also received a MS in Oral Biology. Jon Plans to have a diversified dental life of private practice with part-time instructing and public health in Seattle.

Dr. Shelby Smith (van Iderstein): Shelby was born in Walnut Creek, California and lived in that same area until attending the University of the Pacific, Stockton for college from 1985-1987 in the accelerated pre-dental program. Dental school was at the University of the Pacific, San Francisco from 1987-1990 when she graduated in the top 10% of the class. She moved to UCLA in 1990 to enter the combined Pedo-ortho program and finishes this year. She and her husband Barry van Iderstein are expecting their first child in early November. Shelby plans to practice in Antioch, California.

Dr. Brent Porter: Brent spent his childhood and adolescence in Anaheim, California. After four and one-half years experience in veterinary medicine as an animal health technician, he received a B.S. in Zoology in 1987 from California Polytechnic University, Pomona. Desiring a more "people oriented" health care profession, Brent pursued and obtained a D.D.S. degree from UCLA. With a refined desire of a more "little people oriented" health care discipline, Brent continued his postdoctoral study of Pediatric Dentistry while concurrently completing a M.S. in Oral Biology. He and his wife, Karen, plan to relocate to the Santa Cruz area where he will join a pediatric dental practice.

From UCSF:

Dr. Maria Aganon-Fu: Maria received her D.D.S. degree from USC in 1984. She completed her Pediatric Dentistry specialty trianing in March 1993 from UCSF and Oakland Children's hospital. She practices as a part-time associate in her husband's general dentistry practice in Mountain View, California. She is also on staff at Oakland Children's Hospital dental clinic. Maria hopes to eventually be part of a group pediatric dental practice. Maria enjoys baking, crafts, sewing and simple quiet times. She and her husband, Leonard, have two lovely daughters, Katrina Marie and Sarita Marie. The family enjoys skiing, swimming, and travelling.

NOTEBOOK PROJECT

For our upcoming annual meeting in Mission Hills Resort our selected notebook project will be *Employee Manuals*. As you know from previous years, our notebook project allows us to share ideas which can improve our practices. Your participation is necessary to make this a success. Please send a copy of your employee manual to: Lynn Wan, 3687 Las Posas Road, Camarillo, CA 93010, (805) 484-2705.

CORRECTION:

CSPD IN CALIFORNIA PEDIATRICIAN SUMMER 1993

The article "Pediatric Dental Injuries" published in the Winter, 1986 issue was authored by Drs. Dorfman, Berger, Brandli, and Johnson.

BOARD MEMBER PROFILES

STEVEN CHAN

DIRECTOR, '94 NORTH



Steve practices in Fremont. He says full time, but a look at his current curriculum vitae makes you wonder how he has time to even get near his office.

There are appointments at UCSF, Children's Hospital (Oakland), Washington Hospital (Fremont), and City of Fremont Library Advisory Council. Then there are the usual assortment of "Professional" associations — but in Steve's case, he is an active committee member in many of these organizations. Most recently he has been inducted as a Fellow of the International College of Dentists, and as a Fellow of the Pierre Fauchard Academy (the latter of which he will be serving as secretary of the Northern California Section).

Most importantly, however, is Steve's wife Suzanne, and their two children, Scott (14) and Tracy (11).

PHILIP WOLKSTEIN

PRESIDENT



Our hard working President is a native of Newark, New Jersey. His academic background includes Rutgers University (B.A.); University of Pennsylvania (D.M.D.); University of Maryland & Baltimore Children's Hospital (specialty certificate).

After spending two years as an Associate Professor at U.C.S.F., Phil has been in private practice in San Jose. Tennis, golf, skiing, bowling and good food can make for a well rounded man. Phil keeps the battle of the bulge in check by jogging and stationary biking.

This good looking family includes Donna, Phil's significant other of 24 years; Greg, who is currently going through the trials and tribulations of medical school admission; and Erica, who is attending University of Colorado at Boulder.

MENTOR PROGRAM 1993

GIVING BACK TO OUR PROFESSION

On behalf of the Board of Directors, and the CSPD membership, a heart felt thanks to those individuals who are giving their time to participate as Mentors to the Post-Graduate students.

USC	UCLA	UCSF
Dr. Santos Cortez	Dr. David Chin	Dr. Neil Katsura
Dr. Frank Enriquez	Dr. Wanda Claro	
Dr. David Okawachi	Dr. Gary Okamoto	
Dr. Karen Sue	Dr. Conrad Sack	
	Dr. James Yee	

The Mentor Program is designed to help our Residents get into the "real world". As a mentor, you have the opportunity to share your experiences and professionalism. If you're interested in providing a little bit of time, in exchange for a great deal of satisfaction, please contact: **Ann Azama, 415-668-0600.**

PUBLIC/PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

FALL 1993

1. Mouthguard Project:
 - a) CDA Council on Community Health is developing a slide program for coaches and athletes on the prevention of oral-facial injuries.
 - b) Ray Padilla is enlisted as a sports spokesperson for CDA. In addition, a tie-in with the World Cup soccer is being explored.
 - c) CDA General Marketing Plan includes the use of the mouthguard for PSA's in Dental Health Month '94.
 - d) Matching funds will be offered by CDA for local component advertising of CDA Community Outreach related functions, such as mouthguards or Baby Bottle Tooth Decay.
2. BBTD:
 - a) There are multiple references for the use of BBTD as PR at CDA.
 - b) Anticipate Dental health Month's use of BBTD.
 - c) CHDR is initiating a study on the incidence of BBTD (via David Noel).
 - d) Press releases reviewed by CSPD and distributed through CDA media networking on BBTD and related Munchkin bottle. (K Mart and Target are carriers of this product if you haven't as yet seen it. A brand new twist on Nursing Caries.)
3. There are many Professional Relation committee reports. Among them are the AAP and AAPD Liaisons; the Legislative activity; the State Board; and the various CDA committees.

—Stephen Chan, Chairman

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

CSPD membership now totals 411 "and growing!"
The Society welcomes the following new members to CSPD with one "re-joining."

Dr. Thomas C. Houghton is a 1958 DDS graduate of USC now practicing in Carmichael, CA. **Dr. Richard H. Hutchinson** is rejoining CSPD. He received his DDS from Minnesota in 1944 and his pedo certificate at USC in 1957. He is currently reestablishing in the Upland area. **Dr. Ron A. Jurgensen** received both his DDS (1980) and his pedo certification (1981) from Columbia University and is practicing in Rancho Mirage and Newport Beach. **Dr. Safoura Massoumi** was awarded a DDS from the University of Brussels, Belgium in 1988, earned a pedo certificate at Oregon in 1992 and currently practices in Glendale, CA. **Dr. Michael J. Maurer** is a '91 UCLA DDS graduate who recently certificated in pedo at Oregon in 1993 and has established practices in both San Diego and Escondido with **Dr. Gordon Dixon**.

A number of new out-state Associate Members have joined CSPD to include **Dr. Laura C. Durham** who received her DDS at the Baltimore College of Dental Surgery in 1981 and the pedo certificate at Georgia in 1987. She practices in Griffin, GA. **Dr. Alan H. Golden** is a 1974 DDS graduate of Maryland who received his certificate in 1976 at the Eastman Dental Center with concurrent practices in Dale City and Quantico, Virginia. Alan teaches part time at the Med. Coll. of Virginia. **Dr. John L. Kapust** practices in Olympia, Washington and was a '57 DDS graduate of Marquette with an MSD earned at the University of Washington in '73. His son **Dr. Andrew J. Kapust** is one of the two newly enrolled combined Pediatric Dentistry/Orthodontics Graduate students at UCLA. Andrew received his DDS in '91 at Iowa. **Dr. Kathleen L. Mulcahey** is the second advanced student enrolled this year in the pedo/ortho three year program at UCLA. She received her DDS degree in June at UCSF.

Other new student members include, at UCLA, **Dr. Sung-Eun Ahn** who earned her DDS at UCLA in '93. **Dr. Rose E. Kim** graduated from Case Western Reserve in 1990 and followed with the General Practice Residency at the V.A. in Sepulveda in '91. **Dr. Shohreh Z. Selki** is a '93 DDS graduate at UCLA.

The new student members enrolled at USC are **Dr. Janelle E. Holden** who, until 1990, was a Dental Hygienist and then was awarded her DDS at USC in '93. **Dr. Karen A. Teeters** is a 1992 DDS graduate of Northwestern. **Dr. Haleh Shaheedy** is a 1992 DDS graduate of Boston University. **Dr. Peter S. Suh** is a 1990 DDS graduate from the University of Pennsylvania.

Welcome to CSPD and the membership of the Society would enjoy meeting you at the next Annual Meeting to encourage you to be active in the Society.

—Tom Barber, Executive Secretary

THE PROPOSED NATIONAL HEALTH CARE PLAN

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5. The academy feels that there still some unanswered issues regarding the care of the physically disabled and the chronically ill child.

If the above problems can be worked out, it would appear that the A.A.P. may come out in favor of the Clinton Health Care Plan. It is the A.A.P.'s best judgment that here is probably a 5-8 year lead time for implementation.

This writer feels that it is important that membership of the A.A.P.D. and the C.S.P.D. study the bill carefully, and work with the A.A.P. and our lobbyists in Washington, to discuss the plan and negotiate the best possible dental benefits for the children of this country. The A.A.P. feels that it is in the best possible position to influence the president to make the plan as beneficial to children as possible. I would hope that we could ride on the wave generated by Pediatrics to make similar inroads for Pediatric Dentistry.

—Donald Duperon,
A.A.P. District II

BOARD BRIEFS

The 75th meeting of the Board of Directors of the California Society of Pediatric Dentists was called to order by the President, Philip Wolkstein, on October 23, 1993, at 9:30 a.m.

In attendance were: Drs. Wolkstein, Howard, Mungo, Duperon, Azama, Barber, Perry, Chan, and Reggiardo. Drs. Blain, Pedersen, and Dixon arrived shortly thereafter due to fog at the airport. A quorum having been established, the President announced modifications to the agenda because of officers' absences. Their written reports, however, were included in packet materials.

The minutes from the meeting of June 19, 1993, were accepted with no corrections.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Wolkstein reviewed selected correspondence from the aggregate list on the agenda. Prime discussion was made on the following:

- Letter from Dr. Ronald Bills regarding specialty advertising. Dr. Bills wrote requesting assistance from CSPD regarding practitioners who falsely advertise as specialists. He stated his efforts to raise support from his local dental society and the Board of Dental Examiners had been unsuccessful. Although the Board of Dental Examiners does not currently recognize specialty areas, the CDA has strongly reiterated enforcement of the law on "Practice Limited To" issues and encourages the Board of Dental Examiners to recognize specialty areas.

- Letter to the nominating committee for Dr. Richard Sobel. Dr. Wolkstein announced that Dr. Richard Sobel had been elected as District VI Trustee to the AAPD.

- Letter from Dr. Bob Oliver providing thoughts on treatment to family of Society members. Although the Board agreed in principle that charitable or free dental care to children or grandchildren of members was commendable, they felt it should remain an informal, personal decision which could not be implemented as an official obligation by members.

- Letter from Munchkin Bottling, Inc., in response to CSPD position statement and BBTD. The company replied that their product, which includes a "Guide to Infant Feeding" compiled with the help of pediatricians, dentists and leading educational sources, does not promote use of the bottles for anything except milk or water. They stated their commitment to educating parents about tooth decay. Dr. Chan presented an advertisement for Munchkin bottles sold in K Mart stores. He felt the salient point was that the ads at least give a new dimension to fighting BBTD along with opportunities for the Society to raise the consumer's level of health education.

- Letter from Denti-Cal assessing need for pedodontists in underserved areas. The Delta Dental Plan of California sent statistical information about underserved counties. Dr. Perry provided information about programs in Alameda County that match children with pedodontists who take Denti-Cal patients. Dr. Chan recommended that more statistics should be available to legislators demonstrating that dentists are concerned about public-funded programs and are providing care where needed.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

PRESIDENT — DR. WOLKSTEIN: Dr. Wolkstein reported findings from the Interdisciplinary Affairs Meeting. In attendance at this meeting were specialty group presidents discussing their common concerns with representatives from the CDA. Dr. Wolkstein will mail the agenda to the Board. Topics of interest were:

- The lack of full integration of dentistry in the nation's health care reform proposal.

- The managed care program in Sacramento County.

- AB221/Bill for hygienists to be independently licensed was defeated.

- AB919/Bill necessitating practitioner's report of financial interests, i.e., orthodontists owning x-ray labs, was passed.

- AB595/Bill delineating licensure of outpatient settings and permits for dental anesthetists and nurse anesthetists was held over. The Board discussed what position the Society should take and if there is an ad hoc committee for the Board of Dental Examiners on this issue. Dr. Chan will gather information to present to Dr. Blain so that the Dental Care Committee can act in accordance with the Board's decision to develop a position on sedation. Dr. Duperon will also contact Dr. John Yagiela at UCLA to gather information.

- The NAFTA proposal which does not clearly delineate regulations for Canadian and Mexican dentists to practice in California.

- "Practice Limited To" in advertising.

- Discrimination based on professional degree (DDS vs. DMD).

PRESIDENT — DR. WOLKSTEIN: Dr. Wolkstein presented his report on the CDA Judicial Council. Discussion ensued regarding charges filed against pediatric dentists. It was felt that components should send cases to the Peer Review Committee first before sending them to the Judicial Council. Because the Judicial Council does not have a mechanism for determining if charges can be handled through peer review, Dr. Chan made a motion towards developing a committee within the CSPD to advise the Judicial Council on judicial and ethical issues. Dr. Reggiardo added that such advisement by an ad hoc committee would require a change in bylaws. Dr. Chan will ask for a recommendation from the Bylaws Committee to develop an ad hoc committee for judicial issues. Motion was withdrawn. Dr. Wolkstein will seek advice from the Chair of the Peer Review Committee about requesting components throughout the state to give the Society the opportunity through peer review.

VICE-PRESIDENT — DR. PEDERSEN: Dr. Pedersen is organizing the agenda for the 1995 Annual Meeting in Ojai. His report on liability insurance covered the options of obtaining liable/slander coverage. One option is to allow the AAPD to find "umbrella" coverage for CSPD members.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR — DR. BARBER: Dr. Barber reported the positive feedback for dentist participation in the Kid's Care Fair. He noted the success of the Channel 7 public announcement which Dr. Duperon helped to record. Dr. Barber will reply to correspondence from Dr. Morrow which asked the Board's opinion on thumbsucking. The Board felt that a referral should

be made to the ADPD since they have a clinical branch which can respond to his concerns. Dr. Barber brought a request to the Board from Dr. James Yee at UCLA who would like to send a survey to CSPD members on computer utilization in dental offices. The Board will send labels to assist him.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

NOMINATING — DR. WOLKSTEIN: The committee is developing a slate of officers for next year.

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS — DR. REGGIARDO: The committee is reviewing the bylaws to reflect any changes regarding selection and duties of the vice-president and president, the structure of the Annual Meeting, and delineation for a quorum at board meetings. Explanation was made regarding the mechanism for changing bylaws. Any recommendations are drafted and sent to the Board for recommendations and are then drawn up on a formal bylaw change form and circulated to the membership for a vote at the annual meeting.

CREDENTIALS AND MEMBERSHIP — DR. STEWART: A report was given by Dr. Barber on the increase in membership. A suggestion was made to send The Bulletin to all other components in the United States as well as new members. In order to do this, 600 issues will need to be printed. A count should be made so that all components receive The Bulletin. Dr. Azama reported that the Mentor Program just began its second year. Letters have been set to mentor panel members to encourage participation.

PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS — DR. CHAN: Dr. Chan reported the Mouthguard and BBTD projects will receive matching funds from the CDA for a mailing to about 3,600 California pediatricians. Since the goal of this outreach is informational, the committee has no way to assess its success.

- Dr. Perry announced that the California Society of Orthodontists is having a meeting (at the ADA meeting) on November 5th. Dr. Perry will also be sending a mouthguard slide program to the Board which is being developed for viewing by athletic coaches. It was felt that coaches are the prime contacts for parents, and coaches usually make decisions on whether to approve mouthguards for their teams. The Board also discussed outreach possibilities such as accessing pros in various sports and team doctors (largely, orthopedic surgeons). It was suggested that an advertisement could be placed in their specialty journal.

- **BBTD Update:** Dr. Perry reported that the CSPD proposal was sent to the CDA Council on Community Health. The CDA Council has a mandate to develop a 5 year plan on BBTD. A video module for training dentists to counsel parents is being considered.

- **Legislative.** No new information on AB221, AB1789, regarding fictitious names of dentists or corporations, has been supported by the CDA. The bill states these names must be registered with the State Board.

- **Health Care Reform:** In support of the ADA's recommendations for health system reform, a letter will be sent to legislative representatives reiterating the need for preservation of private dental treatment and delivery.

- **Council on Legislation:** Dr. Chan discussed the possibility of the CSPD getting actively involved in the Council so that the Society receives information as a "component." The ensuing discussion concluded that addressing the Council would be more effective if pursued by all specialty areas. It was decided that Dr. Chan will draft a letter to specialty organizations for support so that societies can get information as components from the council. After support is gained, it was decided a letter could be sent to the Council or to the CDA.

- **Dental Care.** Dr. Blain reported that the Dent-i-Cal program will be reviewed again in late November concerning dental sealants. Currently, there are no automatic increases in fees scheduled for routine administration of sealants.

- Dr. Chan presented a mock letter which addressed the need for the CSPD to appoint a consultant to the CDA Task Force on Dental Care Delivery. Dr. Blain will draft a letter to Bruce Valentine, Chairman of the CDA Task Force, to encourage them to select a consultant from the CSPD to the Task Force. The CSPD will form a subcommittee under the Dental Care Committee with the directive to become educated on policy-making for pediatric dental care delivery systems represented in California.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Patient Information Materials. The subcommittee is being asked to submit samples of patient information sheets for the next meeting. Dr. Wolkstein will contact Dr. Steigner asking him to also submit the topic list.

AAPD 1998 Meeting. The contract with the Marriott Hotel in San Diego has been finalized.

The next board meeting has been changed to January 29, 1994.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 pm.

Ray Stewart, Secretary

CSPD RESEARCH AWARDS

CSPD will support original research by active, retired, or student members in good standing. Interested applicants, which include clinical teams, schools, program chairmen, study clubs, as well as individuals, must submit a standard format research proposal, and an estimated budget and grant request (in an amount not to exceed \$1000). The appropriate forms may be obtained from Dr. Larry Like at UCLA.

It is the intent of the Professional Activities Committee to make the application procedure as easy as possible. The next deadline is April 1, 1994, with acceptance notification by May 1st.

FUNDING INCREASED FOR THE CSPD RESEARCH AWARDS PROGRAM

Since its earliest days, CSPD has had a commitment to encouraging the creation of new knowledge concerning the practice, art and science of Pediatric Dentistry. Our society has attempted to stimulate and make possible research that otherwise might not be attempted or accomplished were it not for the availability of this award program.

Since inception of the program, a total of \$1,000 each year has been made available for support of suitable projects. Recently the CSPD Board of Directors increased the award to \$2,000 per year. The award is now divided into a student fund (\$1,000/yr.) and an active and/or retired member *only* fund (\$1,000/yr.) The latter fund may accumulate (if unused) up to a \$5,000 maximum amount.

In the past few years projects have been supported concerning child abuse and neglect, long buccal injections, fluoride availability, a survey of dual-trained specialists and a study of the possible protective properties of Epidermal Growth Factor for the treatment of mucositis, a common side effect of radiation and/or chemotherapy used in the management of cancer in children.

After review by Committee members and outside reviewers, acceptable projects are funded. Such factors as originality, uniqueness, investigator effort and difficulty of study, scientific worthiness and clinical application of the anticipated results are considered in the review. The only conditions for the award are that the application is submitted by a member of CSPD or a graduate student member, the results are submitted in publishable form (with credit to the Society if published) and the results are presented at an annual meeting (usually as a poster or table clinic). The recipients must keep the committee informed on a semi-annual basis by a written progress report.

The deadline for submission of applications is April 1st. of each year. The society is especially interested in encouraging practicing pediatric dentists to dust off their pet projects and submit an application. The members of the Professional Activities Committee are experienced in research and will aid you to refine your project by assisting in developing the method or any needed statistics, if you desire the help. Applications may also come from study clubs or schools as long as membership requirements are met. Applications are available from the chairman of the Professional Activities Committee, Dr. Larry S. Luke (UCLA School of Dentistry, 10833 Le Conte Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90024-1668).

CONGRATULATIONS

Richard Sobel has been elected to the position of District VI Trustee. His term of office is two years.

The function of the Trustee is to coordinate activities between the District he represents and the Academy. This allows for greater interaction between the Board and the individuals who comprise the membership.

Best wishes for a successful tenure.

PEER REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT

SEPTEMBER 16, 1993

Five cases were referred to CSPD Peer Review since our previous report.

Three cases involved the quality or appropriateness of restorative care; one case concerned lack of progress in orthodontic treatment; and one case dealt with the effectiveness of TMJ Therapy. Two to the cases were resolved by formal Peer Review—one in favor of the dentist and the other in favor of the patient. One case was settled between the patient and dentist when the dentist agreed to write off the patient's outstanding balance. A fourth case was deemed unreviewable due to lack of objective data, and a settlement acceptable to both Doctor and patient was subsequently arranged by our committee. The fifth case, involving treatment of a TMJ disorder, is currently under review. Because the committee finds it difficult to empanel three pediatric dentist TMJ experts, a general practice dentist with a strong background in TMJ will be utilized as a consultant at the patient's clinical examination.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

I would like to thank the panel members who have participated in recent cases, including Philip Wolkstein, Randall Wiley, Robert Fisher, Gordon Dixon, Robert Timpe and Wayne Walker.

David Taylor, Chairman

ALL MONEY DECISIONS ARE RISKY

In your dental practice, you take on a certain amount of risk each day. Whether you are performing a complicated procedure, hiring a partner or dental hygienist, or opening your office to patients on Saturdays, you are assuming a certain degree of risk.

Managing your money can also involve risk. Many people associate investment risk with loss of principal. However, there are many types of investment risk. All investments contain some combination of these risks. Remember that with each type of risk there is a reward, and the higher the risk the greater the potential reward. Here's a guide to many of the types of investment risks and how they are balanced by rewards.

Principal risk is the chance that an investment will fall in market value. Stocks, bonds, and other investments carry more principal risk than money market funds or government guaranteed bank accounts because their value can fluctuate constantly. However, the return on an account whose principal does not change is usually based on short-term interest rates, which are generally lower than rates on long-term investments. A guaranteed account, therefore, is subject to greater *inflation risk*.

When you invest in long-term bonds, CDs and other securities, you face *interest rate risk*. This is the possibility that

TREASURER'S REPORT

1992-93 FISCAL YEAR (ENDING 4/30/93)

INCOME	
Dues	\$ 28,340.00
Interest	902.45
Surplus funds (prior years)	<u>3,810.93</u>
	\$33,053.38

EXPENSES	
Board Meeting Expenses	6,154.87
Secretarial Services	3,000.00
Executive Director	5,500.00
Office Expenses	5,814.99
Accounting Expenses	250.00
Editor (Bulletin)	4,329.37
Peer Review	552.72
Dental Care	75.52
Public & Professional Relations	1,357.48
AAPD Liaison	1,259.20
Research Award	1,000.00
Membership Directory	1,102.00
Ad Hoc Membership Services	1,883.06
AAPD California Reception	408.31
Miscellaneous	<u>365.86</u>
	\$33,053.38

RECONCILIATION OF RESERVE FUNDS	
1992-93 RESERVE FUNDS REQUIREMENTS	
(1-year dues income)	\$28,880.00
1992-93 Actual Reserve Fund	\$40,505.36

Mark Lisagor, Treasurer

1994 CSPD ANNUAL MEETING WESTIN MISSION HILLS RESORT, RANCHO MIRAGE

APRIL 7-10

Dear CSPD Members,

Plans are coalescing well for next year's meeting. Sponsor support seems enthusiastic, committee members are dedicated and hard at work, and the Mission Hills staff is very helpful.

I believe both members and spouses will thoroughly enjoy our meeting's speakers. The speaker for the Friday and Saturday sessions will be Thomas G. Irons, M.D., Professor of Pediatrics and Senior Associate Dean at East Carolina University School of Medicine. His topics will include "A Review of Advances in Pediatrics" and "How Children Cope With Divorce" with emphasis on the relevance to pediatric dentistry.

Sunday's session features the dual team of Elizabeth Barr, D.M.D. and Kathy Hunninen, Ph.D., with the topic of "A Green Dental Environment—Our Responsibilities." Dr. Barr is familiar to Academy members as a practice management speaker, maintains a private, pediatric dental practice in Westminster, Colorado, and has occasionally been sighted attending CSPD meetings. Dr. Hunninen's doctoral degree is in Industrial Hygiene. Their presentation will cover such topics as waste water, nitrous oxide hygiene, formaldehyde monitoring, worker safety, fire evacuation and more. California State regulations will be addressed, including and "insider's viewpoint" of what the regulatory agencies expect from us.

The NOTEBOOK PROJECT will make its appearance again this year, but with a new subject: OFFICE MANUALS. The intent of this is to share ideas for all members interested in getting their employee manuals and procedural manuals updated. Whatever you have, please share it with your CSPD comrades by contacting CSPD member Lynn Wan, in Camarillo at 805-484-2705.

Persons interested in presenting table clinics should contact me as soon as possible so appropriate space may be reserved.

Best of all will be the opportunity to spend "quality" time with your fellow pediatric dentists and spouses and guests. Think of this as much more than a meeting; this is a support system with golf, tennis and great shopping included. And what a location for it! The thank-yous go to CSPD member Bob Berson for selecting this splendid resort for our meeting site. I hope you are all looking forward to this as much as I am. Registration material will be sent to you in January.

With warmest regards,

Suzanne Berger, President Elect

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