

Minutes
National CODE meeting
February 23rd, 2006

The Meeting began with Dr. Larry Haisch welcoming everyone in the room to the National CODE meeting. Dr. Bill Johnson- webmaster for the CODE web-site encouraged everyone to update the directory information on the web-site. He mentioned the directory is on the upper left side of the web-site.

Dr. Deb Cobb introduced her graduate students from Iowa and recommended them for academic positions in Operative Dentistry.

Dr. Frank Caughman asked that dental schools consider giving out the Operative award in Nov/December of the senior year rather than in the Spring of the senior year. This would allow the winning senior student to attend the Academy of Operative Dentistry annual meeting in February of their senior year. This would significantly impact the exposure of the graduating seniors to this Academy. Very few award-winning individuals attend the Academy meeting after they have graduated.

Dr. Haisch announced the availability of the Fall, 2005 CODE reports on the CODE web-site. He then introduced the speaker for the day- Dr. Peter Yaman. Dr. Yaman presented the format of the ADEX clinical examination.

He provided a brief history of the development of this clinical exam. In June, 2004, AADE met in Chicago to develop a national exam based on the medical model. At this meeting, representatives from CRDTS, NERB, WREB, SRTA, Florida and California exams and the coalition of independent testing agencies were present. The consensus was to develop a common national exam for dentistry and dental hygiene. The participating organizations met in October 2004 at which meeting CRDTS and NERB joined together to form ADEX and indicated their intent of giving the common exam in Fall, 2005. It was decided that the seniors would take the manikin portion of the exam in the Fall of their senior year and the clinical portion in the winter. This would allow failing students to practice on patients before retaking the exam and everyone would be able to obtain licensure in a timely fashion after graduation.

Dr. Yaman went on to give details of the various portions of the exam as well as grading criteria.

A couple of questions were asked of Dr. Yaman at the end of his presentation and Dr. Haisch thanked the presenter and everyone else for coming to the meeting.