CDA Board of Directors Meeting Summary
June 1-2, 2023

Executive Director Remarks: Executive Director, Peter DuBois briefed the board on the following topics:

- CDA Presents in Anaheim, including student delegation activities;
- Advocacy related to dental benefits (AB 1048, AB 952) and workforce shortages (AB 481);
- Preliminary approval of the state’s legislative budget;
- Openings for 2024 leadership positions, including at-large, officer and leadership discovery program positions;
- CDA’s annual employee wellness survey;
- Information related to the May 24 Stripe/Fonteva communication; and
- Recent events including the NYU Dean's Strategic Advisory Council, ACD Strategic Planning, ADA Dues Models Innovation Workgroup and Western States Executive Directors meetings.

Financial Update: The board received a financial overview, highlighting membership dues, non-dues revenue sources, total reserves and budgets for CDA and its family of companies as of March 2023. Additionally, the board reviewed the 2022 consolidated audit results, conducted by Crowe LLP.

House of Delegates Resolutions Deadline: In 2018, the house of delegates implemented a resolutions deadline, requiring resolutions be submitted 10 days prior to the first session of the house. With the reference committee now being held in advance of the house, this deadline allows for resolutions to be submitted just days before the reference committee hearing, which does not allow delegates adequate time to read, analyze and understand the resolutions. Therefore, the board approved an action to change the deadline to 10 days prior to the reference committee hearing or first session of the house, whichever comes first. This action will be forwarded to the 2023 house for further consideration.

Speaker of the House Tenure and Election Process: In March, the board discussed officer succession planning, including the speaker of the house position. The discussion addressed whether the speaker term/tenure was sufficient, and whether the timing of the speaker election allowed a speaker adequate time to become familiar with the position before presiding over a house. As a result of this discussion, the board approved an action to extend the speaker tenure to four two-year terms and change the election cycle to elect a nominee for speaker-elect the year prior to the expiration of the incumbent speaker’s term, allowing the incoming speaker to shadow the incumbent speaker for a year before taking office. This action will be forwarded to the 2023 house for further consideration.

Pledge of Allegiance at the House of Delegates: In May, the Board of Component Representatives (BCR) discussed whether the pledge of allegiance should be recited as part of the house proceedings, upon request of a member of BCR. Following the discussion, BCR approved a recommendation urging the board to reinstate the pledge. The board approved reinstatement of the pledge during its June meeting.

CDA Foundation Strategic Plan: The board received an overview of the CDA Foundation’s 2023-2025 strategic plan, including the revised mission statement.

Managed Care Organization Tax Ballot Initiative: The board received an update regarding the managed care organization tax ballot initiative that is expected to be on the 2024 ballot, and CDA’s response to this initiative.

2020 Council Recommendations: The board received an overview of the 2020 recommendations related to the council on membership, judicial council and peer review program in preparation for the August meeting.

Future Forecasting Discussion: In closed session, the board participated in small group discussions related to the future forecasting recommendations. Additionally, the board received an update regarding the strategic plan, including next steps.

Legal Update: In closed session, the board received an update regarding the Delta Dental litigation.

The board took additional actions of an operational nature, which are reflected on the meeting agenda and will be recorded in the official minutes.

In conjunction with the board meeting, the board participated in board development, completing chapters six and seven of Crucial Conversations: Tools for Talking When Stakes Are High. The board will continue this course in September.