

Rhode Island Dental Hygienists' Association
Annual Business Meeting

Official Minutes

Saturday, September 19th, 2026

RI Nursing Education Center, 350 Eddy St, Providence, RI 02903

Rhode Island Dental Hygienist's Association Mission Statement:

To ensure access to oral healthcare by remaining a strong and viable voice for protecting and promoting the public's health in Rhode Island.

Rhode Island Dental Hygienist's Association Vision Statement:

Dental hygienists are recognized as essential primary care providers in delivering total comprehensive oral care by developing a collaborative partnership with the healthcare community.

- **Call to order:** Chris Dillon at 9:06
 - Motion: Chantel Janerio
 - Second: Lily LaFreniere
- **Present:** Chantel Janeiro, Christopher Dillon, Kathleen Macleod, Karla Van Dale, Lily LaFreniere, Cora, Marie Jones Bridges, Julie Galleshaw
- **Establish Quorum:** Quorum is NOT established
- **Agenda:**
 - ADHA 2026-2028 Strategic Plan
 - Board of directors and officers
 - ADHA Adopts Ten Policies Affecting Scope of Practice, Education and Licensure
 - ADHA Position Statements
 - The Periodontal EFDA Rule in Missouri
 - HRSA Workforce Grant
 - Treasurer's Report and Proposed Budget
 - New Business
 - Nominations, voting, and installation of Officers

- **Current Members:**
 - 103 total members, up from last year 89!
- **Meeting Notes:**
 - Warren Sanchez New Dental Assisting Program, contact Becky P
 - Talked of career day and outreach to different populations from middle Schools to older adults. Ways to advertise about the dental profession in all aspects from Front desk to lab technicians as well as clinic staff.
 - Progresso Latino
 - CCRI
 - HSRA Workforce Grant Approved, Jasmine DOH keeping us posted about event
 - Medical/ dental bridging the gap
 - Secretary to Update Website Photos
 - Look out for updates on Next years OSDC, will be discussing course selection options for next year, stay tuned.

Reports

- COMMITTEE REPORTS:
 - Membership: 103 members
- OFFICER REPORTS:
 - President: None
 - Vice-president: None
 - RIDHA TREASURERS REPORT

- AUGUST 2026

REVENUE	2025-2026 Estimated	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
MEMBERSHIP DUES	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 20.30	\$ 165.90	\$ 48.11	\$ 22.75	\$ 191.80	\$ 140.00	\$ 323.05	\$ 271.25	\$ 148.75	\$ 26.28	\$ 113.75	\$ 2
SEPT. ANNUAL MEETING AND YEARLY CLASSES*	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,009.18	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 95.52	\$ 430.34	\$ 55.00	\$ -	\$ -
CPR*	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 263.93	\$ 195.15	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
MISC/CORPORATE SPONSORS*	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68.88	\$ 510.00	\$ -	\$ -
PAYPAL DEPOSITS	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
RESERVES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
*Total includes paypal deposits													
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 11,400.00	\$ 20.30	\$ 165.90	\$ 48.11	\$ 22.75	\$ 11,200.98	\$ 140.00	\$ 323.05	\$ 630.70	\$ 843.12	\$ 591.28	\$ 113.75	\$ 2
OPERATING EXPENSES	2025 - 2026 Estimated	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
ADHA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING *BREAKDOWN BELOW*													
*REGISTRATION	\$ 600.00		\$ 295.00									\$ 749.00	
*DOUBLE ROOM	\$ 600.00				\$ 516.18								
*FLIGHTS	\$ 400.00		\$ 426.67									\$ 1,346.17	
*PER DIEM FOR DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE	\$ 200.00			\$ 200.00									
ACCOUNTANT CPA-AUDIT	\$ -												
LIABILITY INSURANCE	\$ 1,000.00		\$ 565.00										
OPERATING AND MARKETING/ MEETING SPACE	\$ -		\$ 52.59							\$ 52.91			
POSTAGE	\$ 15.00												
PO BOX	\$ 240.00							\$ 244.00					
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND CORPORATION TAX	\$ 22.00							\$ 22.00			\$ 12.00		
RIDHA BRANDING	\$ -												
LOBBY DAY	\$ -												
ADHA HYFAC	\$ -												
STUDENT RELATIONS	\$ 50.00			\$ 20.00									
ROSENTHAL MEMBERSHIP	\$ -												
COMMUNITY / COMMUNITY ORAL HEALTH	\$ -								\$ 80.22		\$ 105.44		
WEBSITE AND ZOOM MEETINGS	\$ 300.00	\$ 1,001.52	\$ 89.88	\$ 171.09			\$ 128.40			\$ 211.77			
SEPTEMBER MEETING AND CLASSES	\$ 4,000.00		\$ 50.00	\$ 442.88	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00							
YEARLY CE EVENTS	\$ 300.00									\$ 329.59	\$ 70.98		\$ 4
CPR	\$ 300.00									\$ 400.00			
INFECTION CONTROL	\$ -												
OSHA	\$ -	\$ 150.00								\$ 150.00			
LIASON DINNER	\$ -												
STIPENDS: PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00										
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 8,227.00	\$ 1,151.52	\$ 1,679.1	\$ 833.97	\$ 616.18	\$ 50.00	\$ 128.40	\$ 266.00	\$ 80.22	\$ 1,144.27	\$ 188.42	\$ 2,095.17	\$ 4
CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCES:													
Checking:	\$2,532.15												
Savings:	\$18,373.13												
Total	\$20,905.28												

- Deposits Monthly
- Total deposits: 14,123.39
- Total operating expenses: \$ 8,274.27
- End Balance Checking: \$2,532.15
- End Balance Savings: \$18,373.13
- TOTAL: 20,905.28
- Respectfully submitted Leah Maricle RIDHA Treasurer
- Trustees: none
- Secretary: 10-20% off Orascoptic discount code to members through RIDHA
- Review of budget: Leah Maricle
 - Acceptance of Budget
 - Motion: Julie Galleshaw
 - Second: Lily LaFreniere

- Additional Items:
 - Check adha.com/standards for recent updates
 - Offering new courses this year
 - New proposed resolutions on adha.org
- Highlights
 - PR-2 scaling procedures by licensed RDH or Dentists
 - PR-6 LA licensed dental practitioners
 - PR-7 CODA accredited program
 - PR-18 sleep apnea screening
- Turned to audience: no concerns
- New Business: None
- Nominations from the floor: None
- Voting Unable to be held Without a Quorum, Voting to be held Via Zoom for members, more information to follow.
 - President: Chris Dillon
 - Vice President: Chantel Janeiro
 - Treasurer: Leah Maricle
 - Secretary: Lily LaFreniere
- Trustees: Kathy Macleod and Karla Van Dale
- Nominating Marie Jone Bridges for Trustee

Announcements:

- Communications: None
- Correspondence: None
- Meeting adjourned: 9:56
 - Motion: Kathy Macleod
 - Second: Karla Van Dale

Respectfully Submitted by: Lily LaFreniere