



NAME __Mary Busch_____

COMPONENT ____East Valley _____

STATES OF LICENSURE ____Arizona_____

STATUS OF LICENSURE __Current and Active_____

PROFESSIONAL POSITION: Retired from AT Still University – College of Dentistry; former Director of Community Engagement & Partnerships. Currently: Adjunct faculty at Fortis College Dental Hygiene Program in Phoenix.

ELECTED POSITION SOUGHT: Fulfillment of term vacated by Janis McClelland – 2 years remain.

Background information

I. Education

AAS in Dental Hygiene from Phoenix College. Successfully attained AZ and CA licenses.

N.A.U - Certificate in Expanded Functions

BS in Business Management - Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ

MEd - Arizona State University, emphasis in Higher and Post-Secondary Education

II. Association Experience (Component, Constituent & National)

I have held the following positions at the State and Component Levels:

- Membership Chairperson – East Valley Component
- Treasurer – East Valley Component
- Trustee – East Valley Component
- AzDHA – Chair of the Executive Planning Committee
- AzDHA – Council on Administration
- AzDHA - Strategic Planning Sub-Committee
- AzDHA Speaker of the House of Delegates – two year term
- AzDHA Treasurer - two year term

- AzDHA Board Member – Elected to the Board in 2015, served as Board Member at Large, Vice President, and now, President. My first term concludes in 2017.

III. Related Experience (Liaison Activities, Legislative Activities, Foundation/Fundraising)

- Current Member, Advisory Committee – Greater Valley Area Health Education Center
- Current Member, St. Vincent de Paul, Clinic Policy & Practice Advisory Committee
- Past Chair, AZ Governor’s Advisory Council on Aging, Oral Health Sub-Committee
- Current Member of Steering Committee for the Arizona Oral Health Coalition

IV. Honors/Recognition

- AZ Governor’s Advisory Council on Aging – Oral Health Sub-Committee
- Recognition of Completion - Community Leaders Training - Children’s Action Alliance – Phoenix, AZ
- Community Service Award from the Care Partnership, Mesa, AZ

Why am I seeking an elected position on the Board of Directors?

I have been actively involved in AzDHA leadership for several years. During this period our association has evolved considerably, transitioning from the former administrative structure (elected Officers and Board of Trustees) to the new structure (7 member Board of Directors). This transition has been challenging, however personally rewarding.

Over the past year our board accepted resignations from two members, both for reasons of professional growth, not because of dissatisfaction. One individual was appointed to the Dental Board of Nevada, and the other individual accepted a fulltime teaching position in Wyoming.

I am asking for your vote to fulfill the 2 years remaining on the term vacated by Janis McClelland. I believe my experience is needed, and welcomed by current board members. There are two vacancies open for 3 year board terms, and I am expecting these will be filled by members with no board experience. I want to continue supporting our state association, mentoring new board members, and collaborating with ongoing board members. The future of our association matters a great deal to me, and I believe my background and experience will be useful over the next two years.

Respectfully submitted, and honored to have served.

Mary Busch, RDH
President, AzDHA