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**AAPD Names New Board Officers and Trustees at Virtual Annual Session**

**CHICAGO** (May 24, 2020) — The American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry (AAPD), the leading authority on children's oral health, inducted the new president and other officers and trustees for the new AAPD board of trustees on May 24, 2020.

**Jessica Y. Lee, D.D.S., M.P.H., Ph.D., President.** Lee is the Demeritt Distinguished Professor and Chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of North Carolina. She is also a Professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management in the Gillings School of Global Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She received her M.P.H. and D.D.S. degrees from Columbia University and her certificate in Pediatric Dentistry and Ph.D. in Health Policy and Management from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill where she was also a NIDCR National Research Service Award recipient. She is a board certified pediatric dentist and an active member of the medical staff at UNC Hospitals, and practices in the Dental Faculty Practice in the School of Dentistry. She has authored over 100 peer-reviewed manuscripts, abstracts and book chapters. She is involved in teaching, clinical practice and research, and maintains several funded research grants. Her primary research interests are in infant oral health, access to dental care for young children and health services. Lee is the recipient of numerous teaching and research awards including the 2008 AAPD Jerome Miller "For the Kids" Award. In 2010, she received the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientist and Engineers from President Barack Obama. In 2011, she was named the "Pediatric Dentist of the Year" by the AAPD.

**K. Jean Beauchamp, D.D.S., President-Elect.** Beauchamp is a board certified pediatric dentist who is a private practitioner in Clarksville, TN. She earned her D.D.S. degree from the University of Tennessee (UT) Health Science Center in Memphis. She then completed her pediatric residency also at UT in 1993. Beauchamp is very involved in local, state and national dental societies. She has been active with the AAPD serving on the Board of Trustees as Parliamentarian and Southeastern District trustee. She was also the chair of the AAPD's . Council on Communications, the Political Action Committee Steering Committee and the Committee on Interprofessional Relations. She has served on the American Dental Association's Council of Government Affairs and also was a member of the Council on Access, Prevention and Interprofessional Relations and ADA's representative on an Advisory Committee of the Joint

Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. She is a graduate of the AAPD Leadership Institute at the Kellogg School of Business and the AAPD Advanced Leadership Institute at the Wharton School of Business. Beauchamp is a fellow in the International College of Dentists, the American College of Dents and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. Beauchamp is also active with the Tennessee Dental Association, currently serving as President. She has been a Tennessee delegate to the ADA House of Delegates for 14 years.

**Amr Moursi, D.D.S., Vice President.** Moursi is Professor and Chair of the Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the New York University College of Dentistry and on the Medical Staff at the New York University Langone Medical Center and the Bellevue Hospital Center in N.Y. He completed his D.D.S. degree at the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, a pediatric dentistry residency at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh and then a Ph.D. in Craniofacial Biology from the University of California at San Francisco. He is a board-certified Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. For the AAPD, he currently serves as a Fellow of the Pediatric Oral Health Research and Policy Center, Director of the Comprehensive Review Course, on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Dentistry for Children*, and also as a National Spokesperson. He received the Merle S. Hunter Leadership Award, and has been selected for the AAPD Leadership and Advanced Leadership Institutes. In his other service activities, Moursi serves as an Examiner for the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland and as a consultant to both the New York State and New York City Departments of Health. His research focuses on early childhood oral health. He is the author or co-author of over 100 published articles, book chapters and policy briefs. He is also Editor of the textbook "Clinical Cases in Pediatric Dentistry, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed." (Wiley-Blackwell). Moursi is Host of the Dental Health Show on Doctor Radio, SiriusXM satellite radio. He also maintains a private practice in New York City.

**Scott W. Cashion, D.D.S., M.S., Secretary-Treasurer.** Cashion is a graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Dentistry and finished his Residency and Masters in Pediatric Dentistry there in 1997. He is currently an adjunct faculty member in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry. He is a board-certified pediatric dentist and a Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry. Cashion currently serves as the chair of the Pediatric Medicaid/CHIP Advisory committee and is President of the Medicaid/Medicare/CHIP Services Association (MSDA). Dr. Cashion served on the Board of Trustees of the AAPD from 2008-2011 and was Parliamentarian from 2012-2013. He was awarded the AAPD's Merle C. Hunter Award for Leadership in the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry in 2013. Cashion is the Immediate Past President of the North Carolina Dental Society Foundation, and past president of the North Carolina Dental Society, the Guilford County Dental Society and the North Carolina Third District Dental Society. He is a fellow in the International College of Dentists, American College of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. He has been in private practice in Greensboro, North Carolina for over 20 years.

**Kevin Donly, D.D.S., M.S., Immediate Past President.** Donly is currently a Professor and Chair of the Department of Developmental Dentistry and Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. He received his D.D.S. in 1984, certificate in pediatric dentistry in 1986, and M.S. in 1986 from the University of Iowa. He is board certified in pediatric dentistry. Previous positions include Professor and Associate Director of the Center for Clinical Studies at the University of Iowa, Associate

Professor, Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Texas Dental Branch at Houston and Associate Professor, the University of Texas Medical School. He served a four-year term as the Pediatric Dentistry Commissioner for the Commission on Dental Accreditation. He has published over 350 chapters, manuscripts and abstracts associated with pediatric dentistry and dental restorative materials research and clinical utilization.

**Gila C. Dorostkar, D.D.S., Parliamentarian.** Dorostkar received her dental degree from the University of Southern California School of Dentistry and, following a general practice residency at the West Los Angeles VA Medical Center, earned her certificate in pediatric dentistry from Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati. She was board certified in 2004. Dorostkar has served on many levels in her local dental society, the California Society of Pediatric Dentistry and AAPD, including three terms as a Director on the CSPD Board and Chair of the Council on Membership for AAPD. During those years, she worked diligently on different committees, councils, and boards with a wide variety of both CSPD and AAPD members from across the country. She is currently president-elect of the California Society of Pediatric Dentistry. She is a graduate of the AAPD Leadership Institute at the Kellogg School of Business, Northwestern University and the AAPD Advanced Leadership Institute at the Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania. She is in private practice in Greenbrae, California.

**Carlos Bertot, D.M.D., Southeastern District Trustee.** Bertot received his dental degree from the University of Florida, College of Dentistry and his certificate in pediatric dentistry from the University of Kentucky, Albert B. Chandler Medical Center. He was board certified in 1996 and has been involved with organized dentistry since his days in dental school. In addition to his membership and service to multiple dental organizations, he has served at the council and committee level for AAPD, and is a past President of the Florida Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and a National Spokesperson for AAPD. Bertot is a graduate of the AAPD Leadership Institute at the Kellogg School of Business, Northwestern University and the AAPD Advanced Leadership Institute at the Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania. He also devotes time as a Courtesy Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Florida, College of Dentistry. Bertot is in private practice in Maitland and St. Cloud, Fla., communities of the Orlando area.

**Vanessa G. Carpenter, D.D.S., Affiliate Membership Trustee.** Carpenter completed her dental school training at the University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston, Texas. Upon receiving her dental degree, she went into private practice. She is a founding partner at Castellano & Carpenter Dental Associates. Carpenter was selected and participated in Leadership Laredo, and then selected and attended Leadership Texas. She has served on the Board of Directors of Boys and Girls Club of Laredo and has held various roles with the Make-A-Wish Foundation, and the Laredo Women's Shelter. Carpenter is a long-time member of the American Dental Association, the Texas Dental Association, and the Laredo District Dental Society, and has been a member of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry since 2002.

**Paul A. Kennedy, III, D.D.S., M.S., At Large/Federal Services Membership Trustee.** Kennedy earned his dental school at the University of the Pacific, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry and completed his pediatric dentistry residency at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. He is board certified and is on the medical staff at two local hospitals in Corpus Christi, Texas, and serves as chair of the Saratoga Surgical Center's board of

directors. He also served as president of the Nueces Valley District Dental Society and the Texas Academy of Pediatric Dentistry. Currently Paul serves as a delegate to the American Dental Association from Texas, Texas Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Pedi-PAC Chair, and Nueces Valley District Dental Society Den-PAC chair. Kennedy is currently serving on the AAPD Foundation Development Board and is a past chair of the AAPD's New Pediatric Dentist Committee and chair of the Council on Membership. He is a Fellow of the American College of Dentists and was honored in 2012 when he received the Jerome B. Miller/Crest Oral-B For the Kids Award from the AAPD in 2012, the Golden Apple Award for New Dentist Leadership from the ADA in 2011 and the TDA New Dentist Leadership Award in 2010. Kennedy currently practices and manages a large group practice in Corpus Christi with over 80 employees..

In addition, a new board member was selected for the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry:

**Edward L. Ginsberg, D.D.S., American Board of Pediatric Dentistry.** Ginsberg is the founding partner of the Smiles4Children pediatric dental group practice, in Catonsville, Ellicott City and Eldersburg, Maryland. A 1982 graduate, with honors, of the University of Maryland School of Dentistry, he also completed pediatric dental specialty training at Maryland in 1984. Ginsberg is a Clinical Associate Professor in the Division of Pediatric Dentistry at the University of Maryland. He has been a part-time member of the department since 1985. A diplomate of the American Board of Pediatric Dentistry since 1992, Ginsberg has served as an examiner for the Oral Clinical Examination (OCE) since 2008, OCE Subcommittee member, OCE Part Leader and Chair. He is also a member of the Johns Hopkins Craniofacial Team and an examiner for the sedation committee of the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners. Ginsberg is a Fellow of the American College of Dentists, International College of Dentists, and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.

#### **About the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry**

The American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry is the recognized authority on children's oral health. As advocates for children's oral health, the AAPD promotes evidence-based policies and clinical recommendations; educates and informs policymakers, parents and guardians, and other health care professionals; fosters research; and provides continuing professional education for pediatric dentists and general dentists who treat children. Founded in 1947, the AAPD is a not-for-profit professional membership association representing the specialty of pediatric dentistry. Its 10,800 members provide primary care and comprehensive dental specialty treatments for infants, children, adolescents and individuals with special health care needs. For further information, visit the AAPD website at <http://www.aapd.org> or the AAPD's consumer website at <http://www.mychildrensteeth.org>.