

Minutes

MDA Subcommittee Meeting

Date: January 26, 2026

Time: 7-8:00pm

Location: Microsoft Teams/Virtual

Attendance:

Subcommittee Members Present: Dr. Amanda Miller (MDA Chair), Jamee Lock (Consultant), Dr. Ben Clinkenbeard (Consultant), Dr. Will Hine, and Dr. Audrey Kyle.

Absent: Dr. Chad Leighty (Consultant), Dr. Tom Blake (Consultant), and Dr. Karen Ellis.

IDA Staff: Judy Neuman

Call to Order: 7:01pm

Approval of Minutes: November 17, 2025

Approved.

MDA Mailer: Dr. Amanda Miller reviewed the MDA newspaper mailer that went out in December 2025. Everyone in the meeting confirmed that they received one, except for Mrs. Jamee Lock. Ms. Judy Neuman will send some to Mrs. Jamee Lock in the mail to use in Fort Wayne, IN.

MDA Product Showcase Luncheon: Dr. Amanda Miller explained that we are hand picking the 4-5 vendors for the Product Showcase Luncheon. She is targeting/asking the following:

- vVardis
- OnPharma
- Elevate Oral Care

However, Pearl and EMS are also interested in the Product Showcase Luncheon.

Mrs. Jamee Lock mentioned that Dr. Holmes went to the Midwinter Conference and said there was a company there that offered a new topical preventative for cavities. She said she would try and get us the name of the company.

Exhibitor Map and List: Ms. Judy Neuman was asked to review the exhibitor marketplace map and excel list of potential and confirmed exhibitors. Ms. Neuman mentioned there were 33 booths already confirmed, however, needed help from the subcommittee to follow up with their representatives from Crest, Colgate, Arm & Hammer, etc. to solicit booths. The subcommittee was instructed to forward any contacts to Ms. Neuman.

Mrs. Jamee Lock provided her Colgate representatives information in the chat. It is:

- Nate Hammer, 574-323-3665

Ms. Judy Neuman will follow up with Colgate about purchasing a booth.

2027 MDA: Dr. Amanda Miller mentioned that the dates had to change for the 2027 MDA. The new dates are April 21-24, 2027 at the Marriott on Maryland in downtown Indianapolis.

2028 MDA: Dr. Amanda Miller brought up for discussion the idea of hosting the 2028 MDA in Bloomington, IN. Mrs. Jamee Lock mentioned they are renovating their convention space to accommodate larger groups. Ms. Judy Neuman reported on what information she investigated related to the new convention space:

- Reviewed map of first and second floors of convention space. One thing that would be different is the CE courses would be on the first floor, and the HOD and Marketplace would be on the second floor. Ms. Neuman asked if the subcommittee thought it would be a problem, and everyone didn't seem to think there was a problem being on separate floors. (See map below.)



- It was unanimous that we should hold the 2028 MDA in Bloomington, IN.
- Then there was a discussion about dates for 2028:
 - Mrs. Jamee Lock recommended doing it in late April of 2028, due to Easter.
 - Dr. Ben Clinkenbeard recommended no late fall or June due to vacations.; Dr. Clinkenbeard asked if the first week in May would work.
 - Dr. Will Hine suggested we hold it after the Little 500 in April; Mrs. Jamee Lock mentioned that it would be the week of April 26-29, 2028; he mentioned if we have it in April to look at April 16th.
- Ms. Judy Neuman will investigate the possible dates mentioned above with Bloomington Convention Center.

Next Meeting: February 23, 2026

Adjournment: 7:43pm

Submitted By: Judy Neuman, Director of Professional Development, IDA Staff Liaison