

**BOARD OF OPTICIANRY
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

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November 12, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. EST

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 by David Calvo, Chair. Those present for all or part of the meeting included the following:

Members present:

David Calvo, Chair
Antonio Feroce, Vice-Chair
Dale Shannon
John Girdler, III
Peggy Slattery
Richard Williams

Staff present:

Larry Harris, Esq., Board Counsel
Sue Foster, Board Director
Robin McKenzie, Program Administrator
Ashley Tranquille, Regulatory Specialist II
Zohre Bahrayni, Ph.D., Psychometrician
Kendra Knowles, Exam Contract Manager
Court Reporter: For The Record (850) 222-5491

Member absent:

Irene Stavros, R.D.H.

Others present:

Gerald Shell
Bill Underwood
David Couch

Mr. Calvo welcomed two new members (each of which had previously served on the Board in the past): Richard Williams and Peggy Slattery.

Mr. Calvo read the following resolution into the record in honor of Christopher Moné and his service to the profession.

Resolution by the Board of Opticianry

Whereas he has worked in all phases of the opticianry profession and held licenses in Florida and New Jersey and

Whereas he was an experienced business owner with over 25 years in the optical industry and

Whereas he was a former clinical instructor at Hillsborough Community College and

Whereas he was appointed by Governor Scott to the Board of Opticianry in July 2013 and

Whereas his dedication to the profession and helping others was a primary objective and

Whereas he has touched the lives of many of his fellow opticians, board members and staff and will be greatly missed,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Opticianry honors the memory of our fellow board member, Christopher B. Moné.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 21, 2014 general business meeting were reviewed and following review, the following action was taken by the Board:

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve the minutes.

Second: by Mr. Feroce.

Vote: unanimous.

PETITION FOR VARIANCE OR WAIVER OF RULES

Gerald Shell, 64B12-9.001 & 64B12-15.001

Mr. Shell was present and was not represented by counsel. Mr. Shell has been licensed in Virginia continuously since 1974 and he has a Contact Lens Endorsement on his Virginia Opticians License. There are no complaints against his Virginia license or his previous Florida license. Mr. Shell was licensed as an optician in Florida on November 8, 1988 and his Florida license expired on July 31, 2000. His Florida license became null and void due to non-renewal. He is requesting to take the opticianry licensure examination without being required to retake the NCLE.

Following review and discussion, the Board took the following action:

Motion: by Mr. Feroce to deny the petition as a substantial hardship had not been demonstrated and application of the rule did not violate principles of fairness.

Second: by Mr. Girdler.

Vote: unanimous.

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROVIDER APPLICATION

Southeastern Opticians Conference

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve and make the approval retroactive to the July 18 – 20 date.

Second: by Mr. Shannon.

Vote: unanimous.

APPRENTICE/SPONSOR ORIENTATION COURSE

Ophthalmic Education Institute: Apprentice/Sponsor Orientation Course

Motion: by Ms. Slattery to approve.

Second: by Mr. Williams.

Vote: unanimous.

Optical Seminars: The Apprentice Orientation Class

Motion: by Mr. Shannon to approve.

Second: by Ms. Slattery.

Vote: unanimous.

CONTINUING EDUCATION MEDICAL ERRORS COURSE

Optical Seminars: Prevention of Medical & Ophthalmic Errors (Home Study)

Motion: by Ms. Slattery to approve.

Second: by Mr. Williams.

Vote: unanimous.

Optical Seminars: Reduction of Ophthalmic & Medical Errors (Live)

Motion: by Mr. Williams to approve.

Second: by Mr. Shannon.

Vote: unanimous.

LAWS AND RULES COURSE FOR INITIAL LICENSURE

Optical Seminars: Florida Laws and Rules

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve.

Second: by Ms. Slattery.

Vote: motion passes with Mr. Shannon opposed due to time length in agenda (46 minutes).

Following the meeting, board staff reviewed the course outline that was submitted by the provider. The outline was three pages long, but only page one was included in the meeting agenda meeting materials. The minute were added together from the complete outline and totaled 102 minutes.

CE HOME STUDY COURSES: QUANTUM OPTICAL, INC.

Blue Light & Digital Eye Strain

Motion: by Mr. Feroce to approve.

Second: by Mr. Williams.

Vote: unanimous.

Conflicts-Avoiding Them, Resolving Them

Motion: by Mr. Feroce to approve.

Second: by Mr. Williams.

Vote: unanimous.

Contact Lenses-Which Ones Are Selected & Why

Motion: by Mr. Feroce to approve with conditions of updating concerning out-dated products O2 optics off market, etc.

Second: by Mr. Shannon.

Vote: unanimous.

The updated course will be sent to Mr. Feroce for review. The Board authorized Mr. Feroce to approve the updated course, if it was satisfactory. If Mr. Feroce determined that the updated course was not satisfactory, the updated course will be presented to the full Board at their next scheduled meeting.

Diabetes-A Disease With Far Reaching Implications

Motion: by Mr. Feroce to approve.

Second: by Mr. Williams.

Vote: unanimous.

Do You See What We See?

Motion: by Mr. Shannon to approve.

Second: by Mr. Williams.

Vote: unanimous.

Frame Materials Matter To Me

Motion: by Mr. Shannon to approve.
Second: by Mr. Williams.
Vote: unanimous.

How To Use The Internet To Grow Your Practice

Motion: by Mr. Shannon to approve.
Second: by Mr. Williams.
Vote: unanimous.

Hoyalux ID LifeStyle 2-An Easy Way to Select the Right PAL

Motion: by Mr. Shannon to deny as this is not suitable for general continuing education.
Second: by Ms. Slattery.
Vote: unanimous.

I Need My PD-Dealing With Online Eyewear Sales

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve.
Second: by Mr. Shannon.
Vote: unanimous.

Identifying Contact Lens Complications

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve.
Second: by Mr. Shannon.
Vote: unanimous.

In-Office Finishing-Your Untapped Profit Center

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve.
Second: by Mr. Shannon.
Vote: unanimous.

Introducing New Transitions Vantage Lenses With Variable Polarization

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve.
Second: by Mr. Shannon.
Vote: unanimous.

Multiple Pairs-Successful Planning in a Flooded Market

Motion: by Ms. Slattery to approve with condition that provider changes from technical to elective.
Second: by Mr. Shannon.
Vote: unanimous.

Only You Know How Great You Are-So Tell Them!

Motion: by Ms. Slattery to approve.
Second: by Mr. Williams.
Vote: unanimous.

Pediatric Dispensing

Motion: by Ms. Slattery to approve.
Second: by Mr. Williams.
Vote: unanimous.

Refraction/Refractometry: A Basic Primer

Motion: by Ms. Slattery to approve.
Second: by Mr. Williams.
Vote: unanimous.

The Eye and Age Related Changes

Motion: by Mr. Williams to approve.
Second: by Ms. Slattery.
Vote: unanimous.

The Science of Blue Light-Protecting Your Patients In A Digital World

Motion: by Mr. Williams to approve.
Second: by Ms. Slattery.
Vote: unanimous.

Transitions Signature VII Lenses-A Superior Wearer Experience

Motion: by Mr. Williams to approve.
Second: by Ms. Slattery.
Vote: unanimous.

Understanding Optics Through the Lensmaker Equation

Motion: by Mr. Williams to approve.
Second: by Ms. Slattery.
Vote: unanimous.

TOPIC DISCUSSION

Request to Take National Opticianry Examination

Mr. Underwood was present and spoke to the Board. Following review and discussion, the following action was taken by the Board:

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to deny this request based on advice of board counsel.
Second: by Mr. Williams.
Vote: unanimous.

FTC Contact Lens Rule

Mr. Feroce discussed the FTC rule and board certification. Following discussion, the following action was taken by the Board:

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to table to the next meeting for discussion.
Second: by Mr. Shannon.
Vote: unanimous.

REPORTS

Assistant Attorney General

Executive Director

Ms. Foster provided budget information for the Board's review.

Ms. Foster stated the June 5 date did not work for some of the Board members and staff would be setting up a meeting in March or April. Board members were asked to send photos for the website and staff would also bring a camera to the next meeting.

Ms. McKenzie stated that staff from the unlicensed activity office would be asked to present at this meeting.

Board Members

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Operation Jack-O-Lantern

Final Order: Unlicensed Activity

Developing a Profile of the Optician for the Future

Monthly Website Statistics

CE Monitor Reports

ABO & NCLE Move to Quarterly Testing

Florida Statistics for the ABO and NCLE Examinations

NCSORB Updates & 2014 Annual Meeting Agenda

NCSORB 2013 Annual Meeting Minutes

NCSORB Letter to Sue Foster, Board of Opticianry

Email from Susan Larson to John Girdler

Email from Robert Flippin to Sue Foster RE: NCSORB Exam

NCSORB's Response to Complaint Sent to Governor

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 am.