

**BOARD OF OPTICIANRY  
GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES  
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL**

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**October 17, 2016 at 12:00 noon EST**

**TAB 1-CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 EST on Monday, October 17, 2016 by Mr. Shannon, Chair. Those present for all or part of the meeting included the following:

Members present:

Dale Shannon, Chair  
John Girdler, III, Vice-Chair  
David Calvo  
Irene Stavros, R.D.H.  
Margaret Slattery  
Richard Williams

Excused Absence:

Paul Wilford

Staff present:

Tom Barnhart, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel  
Jennifer Wenhold, Board Executive Director  
Michael Dean, Regulatory Supervisor  
Court Reporter: For the Record Reporting (850) 222-5491

**TAB 2-REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the June 20, 2016 general business meeting were reviewed and the following action was taken by the Board:

Motion: by Ms. Stavros to approve the minutes as presented

Second: by Mr. Calvo

Vote: Unanimous.

**TAB 3-Application Review:**

**Berangere Granger, Opticianry Examination Applicant**

Berangere Granger was present and was not represented by counsel. Ms. Granger's application came before the board to determine if her foreign education is equivalent pursuant section 484.007(d) F.S. Ms. Granger presented a summary of the background of her education in France to the board members.

After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: by Ms. Slattery to approve pending completion of a course in Laws & Rules

Second: by Mr. Calvo

Vote: Unanimous.

### **Darlis Dasher, Opticianry Examination Applicant**

Ms. Dasher was present and was not represented by counsel. She was requested to appear to discuss her disciplinary history.

After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to grant her approval to take exam pending resolution of fines and fees from previous license and obtain a PRN Evaluation within six months. Denial if not completed within six months.

Second: by Ms. Stavros

Vote: Unanimous

### **Bambi Porter, Apprentice Optician Applicant**

Ms. Porter was present and was not represented by counsel. She was requested to appear to discuss her disciplinary history.

After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve upon receipt of a copy of a valid Florida driver's license.

Second: by Ms. Stavros

Vote: Unanimous

## **TAB 4-CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES**

### **POF – Reduction of Medical Errors Home Study**

Professional Opticians of Florida submitted a two (2) hour home study course “Reduction of Medical Errors” for approval by the board. Mr. Calvo noted that the references in the course were outdated.

After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: by Ms. Stavros to approve

Second: by Ms. Slattery

Vote: 5/1, Mr. Calvo opposed

### **POF – GP Multifocal Primer Home Study**

Professional Opticians of Florida submitted a home study course through CE Broker for Board approval.

After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to approve

Second: by Mr. Williams

Vote: Unanimous

### **NAO – Magic Marketing Home Study**

The National Academy of Opticianry submitted a home study course through CE Broker for Board approval.

After discussion, the following action was taken:

Motion: by Mr. Girdler to Deny

Second: by Ms. Slattery

Vote: Unanimous

## **TAB 5-TOPIC DISCUSSION:**

### **NAO Ophthalmic Career Progression Program:**

Diane Drake, President, and James Iciek, Executive director of the National Academy of Opticianry (NAO) were present. NAO requested the board discuss the approval of NAO's Ophthalmic Career Progression Program as an approved apprentice training program.

Following discussion, the board requested and NAO agreed to table discussion until the next board meeting to allow for further information and documentation to be provided.

### **484.013-Violations and Penalties:**

Mr. Girdler discussed concerns with a product he recently observed at a convention, and whether or not it could be interpreted as prescribing. Following discussion, the Board agreed to table discussion until the next board meeting to allow Mr. Girdler to research and provide further information on the subject.

## **TAB 6-RULES DISCUSSION:**

### **64B12-16.003 Apprentice Optician Application**

Mr. Tom Barnhart explained to the board that the application will be moving to adoption soon.

### **64B12-9.0015 – Application for Licensure Examination**

Mr. Barnhart explained that JAPC is requesting clarification on the statutory authority to require the Contact Lens examination in Florida Statutes.

Following discussion, the Board asked Mr. Barnhart to reply that the statutory authority is derived from 484.002 in that the definition of Opticianry includes contact lenses, and the contact lens examination is therefore necessary for the protection of the public.

## **TAB 7-REPORTS**

### **ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL:**

Mr. Barnhart provided the 2016-2017 Annual Regulatory Plan for review and approval.

Motion: by Ms. Stavros to approve Annual Regulatory Plan

Second: by Ms. Slattery

Vote: Unanimous

Mr. Barnhart provided literature (The Times They Are a Changin': The Impact of Technology and Social Media on the Public Workplace, Parts I & 2) for the Board members regarding social media use and its relation to public service.

### **Executive Director**

Budget information was provided for the board member's review. Ms. Wenhold informed the board that the Board may look at any rules that could be reduced or repealed. Ms. Wenhold and board staff are obtaining examination statistics from NCSORB for the board members information. The next board meeting is planned to be scheduled as an in-person meeting in Tallahassee at the beginning of next year.

### **Board Members**

Paul Wilford, NCSORB Annual Meeting

Due to Mr. Wilford's absence, this item was tabled until the next scheduled board meeting.

## **TAB 8-FOR YOUR INFORMATION:**

NCSORB Annual Meeting Information

NCSORB Quarterly Newsletter

## **TAB 9-ADJOURNMENT**

After no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:13 p.m. EST.

Motion: by Mr. Calvo to adjourn

Second: by Ms. Stavros

Vote: Unanimous