

MINUTES

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN OPTOMETRY

March 16, 2018

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Registration in Optometry was held at 121 South Fruit Street, Concord, New Hampshire on the above date beginning at 9:00 A.M. Unless otherwise indicated, the members present and participating were: Guy R. Lessard, O.D., President; Andrea L. Murphy, O.D.; Scott Krauchunas, O.D.; Joel R. Tuite, O.D. and Alan Goode, Public Member. Absent: N/A

PUBLIC SESSION:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. DRAFT Minutes from the January 26, 2018 Board meeting. **Board Action: 3/14/18** – On motion of Dr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Goode, approved. Unanimous.
2. COPE is now included in the Joint Accreditation for Interprofessional Continuing Education Program. **Board Action: 3/14/18** – File.
3. Requests from North Carolina State Board of Optometry asking for assistance with an investigation being conducted by their Board. **Board Action: 3/14/18-** On motion of Dr. Lessard, seconded by Dr. Tuite, Ms. Canney to email the North Carolina Board to let them know NH has no information on this case. Unanimous.
4. Senate Bill 334-FN related to temporary licensure of allied health professionals. **Board Action: 3/14/18-** On motion of Dr. Lessard, seconded by Dr. Krauchunas, Board opposed this bill and will draft a response regarding the Senate Bill. Unanimous.
5. Board to discuss the eye glass prescription in regards to the federal law and its expiration date. **Board Action: 3/14/18** – On motion of Dr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Tuite, the federal law reads the expiration date for eye glasses can be up to two years. This is up to the Doctor's discretion. Unanimous.
6. E-mail from AOA in regards to Accreditation Council on Optometric Education report of actions. **Board Action: 3/14/18** – File.
7. Request from Marguerite Cote Murphy for the approval of CE from a mobile app called Helio. **Board Action: 3/14/18** – On motion of Dr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Tuite, approved. Unanimous.

TABLED:

T1. Initial proposal to draft rules regarding alternative CEU's. **Board Action: 1/26/18** – On motion of Dr. Lessard, seconded by Dr. Murphy, vote to approve 8 hours of alternative CEU's. Mr. Lamberti to draft the rules. Unanimous. **Board Action: 3/14/18** – Tabled.

Next Board Meeting is April 20, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.