

MINUTES

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN OPTOMETRY

August 24, 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 was: N/A

PUBLIC SESSION:

INTERVIEWS/HEARINGS WITH THE BOARD:

NEW BUSINESS:

DRAFT Minutes from the July 13, 2018 Board meeting. **Board Action: 8/24/18** – On motion of Dr. Tuite, seconded by Dr. Krauchunas, approved. Unanimous.

ARBO sending information from the Oregon Board of Optometry. . **Board Action: 8/24/18** – On motion of Dr. Lessard, seconded by Dr. Tuite, file. Unanimous.

Recent ACOE Accreditation Actions. . **Board Action: 8/24/18** – On motion of Dr. Krauchunas, seconded by Dr. Murphy, file. Unanimous.

LICENSES: Board Action: 8/24/18 – On motion of Dr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Krauchunas, approved for TPA/g license. Unanimous.

MARTIN, Alexander R., O.D.

RATIFY REINSTATEMENT LICENSE ISSUED ON August 7, 2018. Board Action: 8/24/18 – On motion of Dr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Krauchunas, ratify reinstatement of license issued on August 7, 2018. Unanimous.

HAZELL, Patricia L., O.D.

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. **Board Action: 4/20/18** – Tabled. **Board Action: 6/1/18** – Tabled. **Board Action: 7/13/18** – Tabled. **Board Action: 8/24/18** – Tabled.

T2. Nadiya Oleksiv, OD to present information on whether intense light pulse falls within the scope of practice. **Board Action: 7/13/18** – On motion of Dr. Tuite, seconded by Dr. Krauchunas, tabled waiting for a declaratory ruling from the Attorney General's office. Unanimous. **Board Action: 8/24/18** – Tabled.

T3. Scott Dupont to present information on the use of a non-ablative, radio-frequency device for the treatment of dry eye – requesting whether this is under the scope and licensure of an optometrist in NH. **Board Action: 7/13/18** – On motion of Dr. Tuite, seconded by Dr. Krauchunas, tabled waiting for a declaratory ruling from the Attorney General's office. **Board Action: 8/24/18** – Tabled.

Motion to commence non-public session:

On motion of Dr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Krauchunas, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3, II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous poll vote of all members present.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

[Minutes kept separately]

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential:

Upon the motion of Dr. Murphy and the second of Dr. Krauchunas, the Board voted to withhold the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous poll vote of all members present.

Meeting Adjourned.

Next Board Meeting is October 5, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.