

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN OPTOMETRY

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PUBLIC MINUTES

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

The September 19, 2023, Board meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m. at 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH with the following members present:

Janet Aug – Board Member - Absent Christine Donahue – Board Member Scott Krauchunas – Board Member Michael Gordon - Board Member Terri Boyer- Board Administrator Guests: Curtis Barry – Public

The below times are notated for when the Board took breaks from session.

9:51am to 9:55am

I. Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Christine Donahue and seconded by Scott Krauchunas, the Board voted by roll call to approve the public minutes of August 9, 2023, as written.

II. Licensing/Applications:

A. Jennifer Boggie - TPA/g

On a motion by Michael Gordon and seconded by Christine Donahue the Board voted to approve the licensure application TPA/g.

III. New Business

A. Laws & Rules

OPT 402.01 & 504.06 OPLC Rules Coordinator Tina will bring amended final proposal to the November Board meeting for Board approval. On a motion by Scott Krauchunas and seconded by Christine Donohue the Board voted to change the CE requirements for renewal year.



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B. IPL Therapy Machine Question

Board Administrator will send Board Member Scott Krauchunas minutes from 2018 to follow up with this inquiry.

C. APRN Position Statement

The Board was thankful of the notification and keeping them in the loop.

D. Optometry CE Seminar Approval

On a motion by Michael Gordon and seconded by Christine Donahue the Board voted to approve.

IV. Public Appearance

Mary Behnke from New Hampshire Professional Health Program (NHPHP) appeared via Zoom. Ms. Behnke spoke to the Board regarding her program and what services they have to offer to all Medical Boards within OPLC regarding Substance Abuse, Mental Health and other struggles or disciplines licensees have within their profession career.

V. <u>OPLC/Board Administrator updates:</u>

None

Motion to commence non-public session: 10:10am

On the motion of Christine Donahue, seconded by Scott 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 vote of all members present.



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VI. <u>Seal the Non-Public Minutes:</u>

Upon the motion of Christine Donahue and seconded by Michael Gordon, the Board voted to withhold the minutes of the non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous roll call vote of all members present.

Adjournment

On a motion by Christine Donahue and seconded by Michael Gordon the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:00am.