

Mail Ballot Notice

Ballot To Be Faxed on September 2, 2008

Missouri State Board of Optometry

**Division of Professional Registration
3605 Missouri Boulevard
Jefferson City, Missouri**

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This is an open mail ballot to approve acceptance of Continuing Education hours earned between the dates of September 1, 2008 – October 31, 2008.

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Enclosure

OPEN MAIL BALLOT
SEPTEMBER 2, 2008
MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
3605 MISSOURI BOULEVARD
JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI 65109

1. CE Reporting Periods

Attached is a memo regarding a question about continuing education earned between September 1, 2008 and October 31, 2008. If you agree to allow licensees to apply CE credits earned between September 1, 2008 and October 31, 2008 to either the new reporting period or the current reporting period if they pay the continuing education penalty fee but not both then vote "approve". Please indicate your vote below and return this mail ballot at your earliest convenience. Thank You.

Approve

Disapprove

Recuse

Board Member Signature

Date

MEMORANDUM

To: Missouri State Board of Optometry

From: Brian Barnett

RE: Continuing Education Reporting Periods

Date: 8/29/08

A question has been raised as to how licensees should count continuing education hours earned between September 1, 2008 – October 31, 2008. The current reporting period ends August 31, 2008. The new reporting period begins November 1, 2008. Licensees are concerned that CE they earn during this gap will not count. I would assume that the Board would allow licensees who earn CE between September 1, 2008 – October 31, 2008 to apply that CE to the new reporting period beginning November 1, 2008 or to apply it to the current reporting period if they pay the CE penalty fee as long as they are not trying to apply the CE to both reporting periods.

Open Minutes
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The Missouri State Board of Optometry posted a notice to the public at 4:00 p.m. on August 29, 2008, in accordance with Missouri law, concerning a mail ballot that was faxed on September 2, 2008.

Board Members Voting:

Dr. James E. Bureman, President
Dr. Cathy Frier, Vice President
Dr. Christy M. Fowler, Secretary
Dr. Michael L. Nichols, Member
Dr. Danny D. Nestleroad, Member
Ms. Dayna M. Stock, Member

Continuing Education Reporting Periods

The Board reviewed a question from the Board staff regarding which reporting period continuing education earned between the dates of September 1, 2008 and October 31, 2008 would count towards. The Board voted unanimously to allow licensees to count continuing education hours earned between September 1, 2008 and October 31, 2008 towards either the reporting period beginning November 1, 2008 or the reporting period ending August 31, 2008. The licensee can only apply those continuing education hours to the reporting period ending August 31, 2008 if the licensee pays the CE penalty fee. Licensees will not be able to count continuing education hours towards more than one reporting period. Those voting were Dr. Cathy Frier, Dr. Michael Nichols, Ms. Dayna Stock, Dr. James Bureman, Dr. Christy Fowler and Dr. Danny Nestleroad.

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Barnett, Executive Director

Approved by the Board on: July 24, 2009