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Meeting Notice

Missouri State Board of Optometry

October 2, 2014 1:00 p.m.

University Plaza
333 S. John Q. Hammons PKWY
Springfield, Missouri 65806

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Please see attached tentative agenda for this meeting.

cc: Members, Missouri State Board of Optometry
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LeeAnn Barrett, O.D., Executive Director, Missouri Optometric Association
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Open Agenda

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| 1. | Call to Order | Dr. Finklang |
| 2. | Roll Call | Dr. Hruza |
| 3. | Approval of the Agenda | Dr. Finklang |
| 4. | Approval of the Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none">• June 20, 2014 Board Meeting | Dr. Finklang |
| 5. | Executive Director Report <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Financial Statementb. License Statistics | Mr. Barnett |
| 6. | ARBO Annual Meeting Report | Dr. Bureman
Dr. Hruza |
| 7. | Board Certification Update | Dr. Bureman |
| 8. | WPS/CMS Restrictions on Scope of Optometric Practice | Dr. Vanderfeltz |
| 9. | Approval of Continuing Education Courses | Dr. Hruza |
| 10. | COPE approval for Continuing Education | Dr. Vanderfeltz |
| 11. | Update on VSP Premier Program | Dr. Vanderfeltz |
| 12. | Future Meeting Schedule | Dr. Finklang |
| 13. | Election of Officers | Dr. Finklang |
| 14. | Motion to go into Closed Session
Closed meeting pursuant to Sections 610.021 (1), (3), (5), (7), (13)
and (14), RSMo, 324.001.8, RSMo and 324.001.9, RSMo. | Dr. Vanderfeltz |
| 15. | Adjournment | |

Open Minutes

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The open meeting of the Missouri State Board of Optometry was called to order by Dr. Finklang, President, at approximately 1:07 p.m. on Thursday, October 2, 2014 at the University Plaza, 333 S. John Q. Hammons Pkwy, Springfield, Missouri.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Kurt W. Finklang, President
Dr. Donald J. Vanderfeltz, Vice President
Dr. Carrie Hruza, Secretary
Dr. James E. Bureman, Board Member
Dr. Kyle E. Brost, Board Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brian Barnett, Executive Director
Sarah Becker, Processing Technician Supervisor

LEGAL COUNSEL PRESENT:

Sarah Ledgerwood, Division Counsel

GUESTS PRESENT:

LeeAnn Barrett, Executive Director, Missouri Optometric Association

To better track the order in which items were taken up on the agenda, each item in the minutes will be listed in the order it was discussed in the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Dr. Brost and seconded by Dr. Hruza to approve the open agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Dr. Bureman and seconded by Dr. Brost to approve the open minutes of the June 20, 2014 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Financial Statement

Mr. Barnett presented the Board with the following FY-15 year-end financial statement as of August 31, 2014:

**State Board of Optometry
FY-15 Financial Statement**

August 31, 2014

Beginning Fund Balance – 7/1/13		\$ 283,609.47		
Revenue (7/1/014 to 8/31/14)		\$ 55,890.00		
Fund Balance Sub Total		\$339,499.47		\$339,499.47
Appropriations to Board:				
Personal Service		\$57,416.58		
Expense & Equipment		\$ 34,726.00		
Total Appropriations		\$92,142.58		
Appropriation Expenditures:				
Personal Service		\$ 4,464.02		
Expense & Equipment		\$ 3,280.28		
Total Appropriation Expenditures		\$7,744.30		
YTD Transfers from Fund:				
Rent		\$ 450.50		
Dept. Cost Allocation		\$ 122.28		
OA Cost Allocation		\$ 423.00		
PR Transfers		\$2,586.20		
Refunds		\$00.00		
FY 13 Transfers Carried Over		\$ 6,891.57		
New Licensure System Costs		\$ 0.00		
Total Transfers from Fund		\$10,473.55		
Total Appropriation Costs and		\$ 18,217.85		- \$18,217.85

Transfers from Fund:				
Ending Fund Balance as of 8/31/2014				\$321,281.62

Mr. Barnett for the end of August, the real expenses the board has is the carry over expenses from the June 2014 meeting and the ARBO meeting. Fund balance is in very good shape, this is a renewal year so revenue should be in great shape, and the board's numbers are real strong.

License Statistics

Mr. Barnett indicated that during the fiscal year of 2013 the board had hit its averages, with 52 new licenses; he also indicated that since the board is getting ready to go into the bi-annual renewal, it will be interesting to see the number of licensees that don't renew.

Dr. Hruza asked if someone is coming from another state, how it is determined if an applicant is competent. Mr. Barnett stated the requirements for someone applying for licensure by endorsement include that the applicant have been licensed and practicing in another state for at least three of the last five years. If someone has been in practice at least 3 years, to some extent they are deemed be competent by that continued practice. Mr. Barnett also added, as the way the language is written regarding the licensing, the board has the ability if there is a question or concern about somebody coming in from another state, the board can require the applicant to complete an oral interview, oral exam or clinical exam to prove competency before they are licensed, so there is a safety valve if something should ever come up.

Mr. Barnett indicates that there seem to be more licensees coming in by endorsements. Dr. Vanderfeltz requested that Mr. Barnett to do a follow-up up on who was licensed by endorsement and to try to verify where they are working, whether it would be in private practice, corporate practice and to see if the increase is due to crossing state lines. Mr. Barnett indicated that there is a lot more mobility now than what it was 10 years ago to this profession. Mr. Barnett said he would put together information with statistics with public information that can be utilized.

ARBO Annual Meeting Report

Dr. Hruza reported that an FDA spokesperson spoke about the FDA's stance on colored contact lenses. Dr. Hruza was under the impression they are recommending the

websites have a link to the FDA information. Mr. Barnett said that staff could see about either having a link to the information on the FDA website regarding contact lenses or possibly posting one of the FDA's PSA's (public service announcements) on the website. Dr. Vanderfeltz made a motion that was seconded by Dr. Hruza to give Mr. Barnett the authority to work on the getting the information from the FDA regarding contact lenses on the Board's website. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hruza also wanted to add that she still serving on the OE Tracker Committee, and they just had a conference call. Dr. Hurza feels like OE tracker is gaining huge momentum. OE tracker has now expanded to Canada, so clearly OE tracker is growing strong and is a strong revenue resource for ARBO. Dr. Hruza indicated that there are 11 states that pay for the OE tracker for their licensees. They also spoke about a lot of different contemporary issues that currently do not have online CE, so Dr. Hruza is on the subcommittee to work on those issues. Dr. Hruza also has been appointed as a COPE reviewer and indicated that more COPE reviewers are needed.

Dr. Bureman said on behalf of he and Dr. Hruza, he wanted to take the opportunity to thank the board for supporting the ARBO meeting and for sending representatives to the meeting. Dr. Bureman stated this is an important organization and to have representatives from the Board is very important.

BOARD CERTIFICATION UPDATE

Dr. Bureman spoke regarding board certification and indicated that it is still an ongoing issue. Dr. Bureman stated that there are some that view board certification as primarily a marketing tool. It is not really a regulatory tool, even in medicine a practitioner doesn't need to be certified to get licensed. In medicine, board certification is needed for credentialing. A lot of hospitals, clinics and insurance plans require physicians to be certified as well as being licensed. However, the Optometry profession has not run across that yet, it may in the future, but as of right now, there doesn't seem to be a need to be certified as a part of licensure.

WPS/CMS RESTRICTIONS ON SCOPE OF PRACTICE

Dr. Vanderfeltz spoke regarding WPS' planned changes in the 90 day Global Codes procedure beginning in calendar year 2017. This will change all 10 day and 90 day Global Codes to 0 day Global Codes. Once this change takes place, practitioners will bill separately for visits and services provided after the date of surgery.

Dr. Vanderfeltz believes that this change may make the surgeons more willing to let optometrists take care of more of the after surgery or follow up procedures since these will now be billed separately.

APPROVAL OF CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES

The board reviewed the attached list of continuing education courses that were approved since June 20, 2014.

Visionary Eyecare & Surgery Inc
2014 Visionary Summer seminar
8/27/2014

Clarkson Eyecare
Glaucoma and Plastics Update 2014
8/27/2014

Associated Ophthalmologists
New Glaucoma Procedures, Help or Hype?
10/6/2014

Precision Eye Care
Landmark Glaucoma Studies "Key Findings and Treatments Lessons"
9/18/2014

The Cornea & Laser Vision Center
Ocular Surface Disease
9/18/2014

Moyes Eyes Center
Lasik Co-Management Update: What's New in Femtosecond Era
10/23/2014

Kanas City Eye Clinic
Grand Rounds
11/6/2014

Cokington Eye Center
Laser Assisted Cataract Suregery-Point To Counterpoint
11/7/2014

Eye Consultants
2014 Fall Optomertric Seminar
10/29/2014

COPE APPROVAL FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION

Dr. Vanderfeltz would like the board to move toward requiring COPE approval for all approved CE and work toward greater utilization of the OE tracker. Dr. Bureman agreed and added that they would be a high quality and non-bias keeper of the hours.

Dr. Finklang expressed concern regarding possible delays of courses being approved and asked how long it takes to have a course approved by COPE. Dr. Bureman stated in his experience approval is done within 30 days if properly completed; the turnaround time is very fast.

Dr. Hurza stated that there are only 3 boards/states that required their all CE to be COPE approved; Utah, North Dakota and Puerto Rico. There are 4 states that require CE taken out of state to be COPE approved, 37 states accept COPE without restrictions. There are 8 states accept COPE with restrictions, Dr. Hurza wasn't sure what those restrictions are.

Dr. Hurza also pointed out that some COPE approved courses are for ½ hour increments instead of the one hour increments the Board traditionally has approved.

Dr. Bureman suggested that the Board modify the process by which the Board approves individual CE courses, found in 20 CSR 2210-2.030(11)(D), to require that these courses be COPE approved.

Mr. Barnett said that changes on what will be accepted for CE can be done by rule change. Mr. Barnett said he will work on possible language for changes and bring potential language to the board to look at.

Dr. Vanderfeltz requested Mr. Barnett to try a get a percentage on how many licensees use the OE tracker.

UPDATE ON VSP PREMIER PROGRAM

Dr. Vanderfeltz reported that VSP has changed the name of the program to from Premier Provider to Premier Program. Discussion only, no motions were made.

FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Dr. Finklang announced the next board meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2015, in Kansas City, MO in conjunction with the Heart of America Contact Lens Society, meeting to begin at 11:00 a.m.

The Board set a meeting for June 5, 2015 in Jefferson City at the Professional Registration building to begin at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Barnett will verify and set the date for the Thursday before the MOA meeting, Kansas City, MO at the Marriott in Kansas City, in the fall of 2015.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Dr. Vanderfeltz and seconded by Dr. Bureman to keep the current slate of officers the same for the coming year. Dr. Finklang will remain as President. Dr. Vanderfeltz will remain as Vice-President. Dr. Hruza will remain as Secretary. Those voting yes: Dr. Vanderfeltz, Dr. Finklang, Dr. Brost, Dr. Bureman, and Dr. Hruza. The motion carried 5 to 0.

CLOSED SESSION

At approximately 3:33 p.m., a motion was made by Dr. Vanderfeltz and seconded by Dr. Brost to move into closed session pursuant to Chapter 610.021, Sections (1), (3), (5), (7), (13) and (14), and Chapter 324.001.8 and 324.001.9, RSMo, for the purpose of discussing complaints, investigative reports, applicants for licensure, general legal actions, causes of action or litigation and any confidential or privileged communications between the Board and its attorney. Those voting yes: Dr. Vanderfeltz, Dr. Finklang, Dr. Brost, Dr. Bureman, and Dr. Hruza. The motion carried 5 to 0.

RECONVENE

The Board reconvened in open session at approximately 4:22 p.m.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board at this time, a motion was made by Dr. Hruza and seconded by Dr. Bureman that this meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Becker, Processing Technician Supervisor



Brian Barnett, Executive Director

Approved by the Board on:

February 12, 2015