

**THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF OPHTHALMIC  
DISPENSERS AND OPHTHALMIC TECHNICIANS  
PUBLIC SESSION AGENDA  
September 13, 2006  
9:00 a.m.**

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JULY 19, 2006**

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

NONE

**III. APPRENTICE MATTERS**

- a. I/M/O Keith M. Habe submitted a letter requesting to be excused from the September 2006 Qualifying Technical examination due personal, work, and school related problems as well as unpreparedness.
- b. I/M/O Mark Pasquini submitted a letter requesting to be excused from the September 2006 examination due to financial difficulties and unpreparedness.
- c. I/M/O Jessica Patane - Wendy Waldron (D-3516) submitted a letter requesting that Jessica Patane be excused from the September 2006 examination because she did not receive a high enough grade to sit for the Qualifying Technical Exam.
- d. I/M/O Galina Cernavslor - Melissa Deekan (D-3413) submitted a letter requesting that Galina Cernavslor be excused from the September 2006 examination due to insufficient educational requirements.
- e. I/M/O Jonathan Baran submitted a letter requesting to be excused from the September 2006 examination due to insufficient educational requirements.
- f. I/M/O Eftalia Dimitraki submitted a letter advising that she will complete the application for the UDMLE Step 1 Exam, and will not be able to sit for the September 2006 examination.
- g. I/M/O Julie Magyar submitted a letter requesting to be excused from the September 2006 examination due to insufficient educational requirements.
- h. I/M/O Kathleen Shackley submitted a letter requesting to be excused from the September 2006 examination due to medical problems.
- i. I/M/O Sheryl Brown submitted a letter requesting an Ophthalmic Technicians License.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. FTC Alleges Illegal Internet Sales of Contact Lenses" website did not verify prescriptions. The FTC voted to authorize the referral of the complaint and stipulated consent decree and order to the Department of Justice to be filed in the US District Court for the District of New Jersey. The stipulated Consent decree and order is for settlement purposes only and does not constitute and admission by defendants Walsh Optical, Inc. And Kevin Walsh, owner, of a law violation.
- b. I/M/O William Freund TD-773 - Mr. Freund submitted a request to the Board to affirm, in writing that "the provision of artificial eyes" is within the scope of practice of a licensed dispenser. Mr. Freund's license is active.
- c. I/M/O Francis J. Connelly, Ocularist - Attorney General Corbett (Pennsylvania) announced that a lawsuit and preliminary unjunction petition were filed against a Philadelphia ocularist. (FYI)

d. I/M/O Sam Porfido - submitted a letter requesting that the reinstatement fee of \$150.00 be waived as he allegedly notified the Board in May 2006 that he did not receive his renewal application.

## **V. LEGISLATION/REGULATION**

a. Legislative Report for the Board of Examiners of Ophthalmic Dispensers and Technicians -A3027 Health/Facilities - "Violence Prevention in Health Care Facilities Act," requires certain health care entities to establish violence prevention programs to protect health care workers.

b. Notice of Proposed Amendments to regulations for the Board of Optometrists N.J.A.C. 13:38-4.5

## **VI. OTHER BUSINESS**

a. Revenue Report for June, 2006

b. Division of Law billing for July 17, 2006

## **ADJOURNMENT**