

**New Jersey State Board Of Optometrists
Regular Session Minutes
March 19, 2003**

A regular meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Optometrists was held at 124 Halsey Street, Newark on the 6th floor on Wednesday, March 19, 2003. Leonard Steiner, O.D., President of the Board, announced that pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 321, P.L., notice of this meeting was prepared in the office of the Board and mailed out to the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, the Star Ledger, the Record, the Press of Atlantic City, the Asbury Park Press, and the Trenton Times. The meeting was called to order at 9:55 A.M. A roll call was taken and the following attendance was recorded:

GIGETTE COLLAZO, O.D.	Present
GORDON COMPTON	Present
MITCHELL FINK, O.D.	Present
JOSEPH SCHKOLNICK, O.D.	Present
LEONARD STEINER, O.D.	Present
LEONARD STRULOWITZ, O.D.	Present
RALPH WHITE	Present

Also present were:

SUSAN H. GARTLAND, Executive Director; CARMEN RODRIGUEZ, Deputy Attorney General; LISA PETROWSKI, Assistant to the Executive Director.

The Board members wish to welcome Dr. Collazo to the Board as its newest member.

Timothy J. Martin of M BI Government Relations attended the Public Session Meeting.

I. Public Comment

II. Approval of Regular Session Minutes

A. February 19, 2003

A motion was made by Mr. Compton and seconded by Dr. Fink to accept the February 19, 2003 Regular Session Minutes as amended. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

III. New Business

A. Assembly No. 3364

(Synopsis - Revises scope of practice of optometrists)

Introduced February 27, 2003

The Board reviewed Assembly No. 3364 which revises the scope of practice of optometrists. A comment was submitted to the Director's office by the Board many months ago in support of the bill.

B. Error on TPA Renewal Forms

A typographical error appeared on the TPA renewal forms as it states that 60 continuing education credits are required for renewal. The Board will send a notification to all the optometrists who have received a TPA renewal form of the error and advise them that the correct number of continuing education credits required is 50 and a minimum of 25 of the 50 must be in TPA courses.

IV. For Your Information

A. American Optometric Association February 26, 2003 Bulletin

The Board reviewed the American Optometric Association February 26, 2003 Bulletin and considered it informational.

B. Division of Consumer Affairs New Jersey State Board of Optometrists Termination of the Optometrist-Patient Relationship Adopted New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:38-3.9 February 18, 2003 issue of the New Jersey Register

The Board reviewed Adopted New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:38-3.9 Termination of the Optometrist-Patient Relationship and considered it informational.

C. Office of the Attorney General Adopted New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:1E-4 January 21, 2003 issue of the New Jersey Register

The Board reviewed the Office of Attorney General Adopted New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:1E-4 and considered it informational.

D. List of officers/directors and shareholders of Omni Eye Specialist, P.A. from Christopher Quinn, O.D.

The Board reviewed the list of officers/directors and shareholders of Omni Eye Specialist, P.A. from Christopher Quinn, O.D. and considered it informational.

E. Notification from Governor James E. McGreevey RE: Appointment of new Board member, Gigette Collazo, O.D. to the New Jersey State Board of Optometrists

The Board reviewed the notification from Governor James E. McGreevey regarding the appointment of new Board member, Gigette Collazo, O.D. to the New Jersey State Board of Optometrists and considered it informational.

F. Article, "A new vision for laser eye surgery" from the March 11, 2003 issue of the Record

The Board reviewed the article, "A new vision for laser eye surgery" from the March 11, 2003 issue of the Record and considered it informational.

G. Article, "Lasers blur the line for eye doctors in Jersey" from the March 11, 2003 issue of the Star Ledger

The Board reviewed the article, "Lasers blur the line for eye doctors in Jersey" from the March 11, 2003 issue of the Star Ledger and considered it informational.

H. New Jersey State Examiners of Ophthalmic Dispensers and Ophthalmic Technicians' March 12, 2003 Public Session Agenda and January 8, 2003 Public Session Minutes

The Board reviewed the New Jersey State Examiners of Ophthalmic Dispensers and Ophthalmic Technicians' March 12, 2003 Public Session Agenda and January 8, 2003 Public Session Minutes and considered it informational.

I. American Optometric Association March 10, 2003 Bulletin

The Board reviewed the American Optometric Association March 10, 2003 Bulletin and considered it informational.

J. List of officers/directors and shareholders of C.M. Cummins O.D. P.A. from Charles Cummins, O.D.

The Board reviewed the list of officers/directors and shareholders of C.M. Cummins O.D. P.A. from Charles Cummins, O.D. and considered it informational.

V. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. White and seconded by Mr. Compton to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 2:00 P.M. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan H. Gartland
Executive Director

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