

**New Jersey State Board of Optometrists
Regular Session Minutes
June 11, 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, June 11, 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 9:05 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; LORA SELLMEYER, Staff.**

I. Public Comment

II. Approval of Regular Session Minutes

A. May 21, 2003

A motion was made by Dr. Fink and seconded by Mr. Compton to accept the May 21, 2003 Regular Session Minutes as amended. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

III. New Business

A. Division of Archives and Records Management Records Management

Proposed New Rules: N.J.A.C. 15:3

June 2, 2003 issue of the New Jersey Register

The Board reviewed the Division of Archives and Records Management Proposed New Rules: N.J.A.C. 15:3 from the June 2, 2003 issue of the New Jersey Register and considered it informational.

B. Letter from Paula McCurdy, O.D. RE: Temporary office arrangement

Dr. McCurdy advised the Board that she is renovating her new office location and has made arrangements with Richard Wiener, O.D. to use his office in Turnersville New Jersey on Sundays until August 1, 2003 to provide care to her patients if necessary. A motion was made by Dr. Fink and seconded by Dr. Strulowitz to advise Dr. McCurdy that they will permit her arrangement with Dr. Wiener until August 1, 2003. The Board will further advise Dr. McCurdy that she must display her license in Dr. Wiener's office while she is practicing at his location in accordance with N.J.S.A. 45:12-8. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

C. Letter from Joseph T. Boorady, O.D.

RE: Screening

Dr. Boorady inquired whether it was permissible for New York licensed optometrists to participate in a vision screening of children from the New York City Head Start Program which could take place in New Jersey. Dr. Boorady further advised that New Jersey licensed optometrists would also participate in this vision screening.

A motion was made by Dr. Fink and seconded by Mr. White to advise Dr. Boorady that New York licensed optometrists can participate in the vision screening as long as the New Jersey licensed optometrists are present during all screening hours as they will be held accountable. The Board will request that Dr. Boorady supply them with the date and time of the vision screening as well as the names of the New Jersey licensed optometrists who will be participating in the vision screening. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

IV. Old Business

A. Henry E. Parker, O.D.

RE: Explanation of answer on renewal

Pending from the May 21, 2003 meeting

This matter is tabled until the Board receives notification of the outcome of Dr. Parker@s traffic violation.

B. Draft Policy Statement

RE: Temporary Optometric Employment

Dr. Collazo supplied the Board with information from other States concerning temporary optometric employment. The Board discussed developing a form in which a licensee would complete before covering for another licensee. Dr. Collazo will draft a form and the Board will review the draft form at its July 16, 2003 meeting.

V. For Your Information

A. Notification from the New Jersey State Board of Examiners of Ophthalmic Dispensers and Ophthalmic Technicians RE: Cancellation of its June 11, 2003 meeting and its rescheduled date of June 18, 2003

The Board reviewed the notification from the New Jersey State Board of Examiners of Ophthalmic Dispensers and Ophthalmic Technicians concerning the cancellation of its June 11, 2003 meeting and its rescheduled date of June 18, 2003 and considered it informational.

B. New Jersey State Board of Examiners of Ophthalmic Dispensers and Ophthalmic Technicians May 21, 2003 Public Session Agenda and March 12, 2003 Public Session Minutes

The Board reviewed the New Jersey State Board of Examiners of Ophthalmic Dispensers and Ophthalmic Technicians May 21, 2003 Public Session Agenda and March 12, 2003 Public Session Minutes and considered it informational.

C. New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners March 12, 2003 Open Board Minutes

The Board reviewed the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners March 12, 2003 Open Board Minutes and

considered it informational.

D. Memorandum from Anthony Miragliotta, Deputy Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs RE: Licensees and Consumer Fraud Act

The Board reviewed the memorandum from Anthony Miragliotta, Deputy Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs concerning licensees and Consumer Fraud Act and an article, "Appeals court allows fraud act to be used in suits against MDs" from the March 28, 2003 issue of the Star Ledger and considered it informational.

E. June, 2003 issue of the Ophthalmology Compliance & Reimbursement Insider

The Board reviewed the June, 2003 issue of the Ophthalmology Compliance & Reimbursement Insider and considered it informational.

F. Signed Settlement - Bertram Isenberg, O.D.

The Board is in receipt of a signed settlement letter together with a check in the amount of \$1,500.00 for violation of **N.J.S.A. 45:12-9 Registration renewal fee; nonactive renewal certificate; obtaining active certificate of registration after 5 years; branch office registration certificates; revocation and N.J.A.C. 13:38-2.13(2)and(7) Independent doctor of optometry.** The Board considers this matter to be concluded.

VI. Adjournment

A motion was made by Dr. Fink 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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