

**New Jersey State Board of Optometrists  
Regular Session Minutes  
September 20, 2006**

A regular meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Optometrists was held at 124 Halsey Street, Newark on the 6th floor on Wednesday, September 20, 2006. Mitchell Fink, 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 9:30 A.M. A roll call was taken and the following attendance was recorded:

PAUL BENT Present  
GIGETTE COLLAZO, O.D. Present  
GORDON COMPTON Absent  
RICHARD FAVREAU, O.D. Absent  
MITCHELL FINK, O.D. Present  
JOHN FLORIO, O.D. Present  
LEONARD STEINER, O.D. Present

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

**I. Public Comment**

**II. Approval of Regular Session Minutes**

A. August 16, 2006

A motion was made by Dr. Collazo and seconded by Mr. Bent to approve the August 16, 2006 Regular Session Minutes as amended. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**III. New Business**

A. Letter from Lawrence Ragone, O.D. and Thomas Vermes, O.D.  
RE: Camden Eye Center's Continuing Education Program

The Camden Eye Center requested permission from the Board to announce its Continuing Education Program through its website [www.camdeneye.com](http://www.camdeneye.com). which would eliminate distributing their upcoming course information through the mail.

A motion was made by Dr. Steiner and seconded by Dr. Florio to advise the Camden Eye Center that it must notify New Jersey licensed optometrists annually by mail of its website and offer those who do not have access to a computer the opportunity to remain on their mailing list in order to comply with N.J.A.C. 13:38-7.8(f). The Board will also advise that their website must be available to everyone in order to comply with N.J.A.C. 13:38-7.8(f) and should not be restricted by organization or membership codes. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**IV. Old Business**

A. Review of Comments  
New Jersey State Board of Optometrists  
Requirements for issuing Prescriptions and Dispensing of Medication;  
Requirements for Application for Licensure;  
Therapeutic Pharmaceutical Agents (TPA) Certification

Fee Schedule; Continuing Education

Proposed Amendments: N.J.A.C. 13:38-2.4, 3.5, 4.1 through 4.4, 5.1, 7.3 and 7.4 Proposed Repeal and New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:38-4.5

with Danielle Swenson, Regulatory Analyst

A motion was made by Mr. Bent and seconded by Dr. Collazo to approve the responses to the comments and adopted the proposed regulations. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

## **V. For Your Information**

A. New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners  
September 13, 2006 Open Board Agenda

The Board reviewed the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners' September 13, 2006 Open Board Agenda and considered it informational.

B. New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners  
September 13, 2006 Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion

The Board reviewed the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners' September 13, 2006 Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion and considered it informational.

C. New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners  
June 14, 2006 Open Board Minutes

The Board reviewed the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners' June 14, 2006 Open Board Minutes and considered it informational.

D. New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners  
June 14, 2006 Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion

The Board reviewed the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners' June 14, 2006 Disciplinary Matters Pending Conclusion and considered it informational.

E. Letter copied to the New Jersey State Board of Optometrists from the New Jersey Society of Optometric Physicians addressed to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners RE: New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners Proposed co-management regulation

The Board reviewed a letter from the New Jersey Society of Optometric Physicians addressed to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners regarding the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners Proposed co-management regulation and considered it informational.

F. Article, "No further incidents of counterfeit Proclear Compatibles reported"

The Board reviewed the article, "No further incidents of counterfeit Proclear Compatibles reported" and considered it informational.

## **VI. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Dr. Steiner and seconded by Dr. Collazo to adjourn the Regular Session Meeting at 2:30 P.M. A vote was taken and the motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan H. Gartland  
Executive Director

