

**OPTOMETRY EXAMINING BOARD
LIVE MEETING MINUTES
March 29, 2012**

PRESENT: Swaminat Balachandran, Ann Meier Carli, Gregory Foster, Brian Hammes, Kathi Leach, Richard Foss
STAFF: Berni Mattsson, Executive Director; Lydia Thompson, Legal Counsel; David Carlson, Bureau Assistant
GUESTS: Peter Theo, WI Optometry Association (WOA)

CALL TO ORDER

Gregory Foster, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. A quorum of four (4) members was confirmed.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Jinkins moved, seconded by Balachandran, to adopt the agenda, adding the item "Board Member Guidebook" as an informational item under "Executive Director Matters". Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 17, 2011

MOTION: Balachandran moved, seconded by Carli to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2011 as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MATTERS

Berni Mattsson reviewed the new Board Member Guidebook and asked Board members to please sign and return the acknowledgement form to her.

BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS INCLUDING ANY RECEIVED AFTER PRINTING OF AGENDA

- 1) Division of Enforcement Matters
- 2) Education and Examination Issues Matters
- 3) Credentialing Matters
- 4) Practice Questions/Issues
- 5) Legislation/Administrative Rule Matters.
- 6) Liaison Reports
- 7) Speaking Engagement, Travel, Public Relation Requests

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Berni reviewed 2011 WI Act 146 with the Board. She mentioned that it gives the Department greater ability to regulate unlicensed practice.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board discussed designating a representative to attend the ARBO 2012 Annual Meeting. Dr. Foster reviewed the purpose of ARBO. Dr. Foster said it is a great opportunity to share ideas and information with other states.

MOTION: Foster moved, seconded by Carli, to authorize Mark Jinkins to attend the 2012 ARBO Annual meeting on behalf of the Optometry Board, seconded by Carli. Motion carried. Balachandran abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Peter Theo, WOA, welcomed Mark Jinkins as new Public Member.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Balachandran moved, seconded by Jinkins seconded, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

THE NEXT MEETING IS July 26, 2012