

FLORIDA | Board of Optometry

DRAFT MINUTES

August 28, 2017

Teleconference

Department of Health

4042 Bald Cypress Way

Tallahassee, FL 32399-3257



Stuart Kaplan, O.D., ***Chair***

Carl Spear, O.D., ***Vice-Chair***

Anthony Spivey, DBA, ***Executive Director***

The Florida Board of Optometry held a meeting on Monday, August 28, 2017, commencing at 12:00 p.m. This meeting was held at the Department of Health, 4042 Bald Cypress Way, Tallahassee, Florida, at meet me number (888) 670-3525, participant code **7342425515**, to which all persons were invited to attend. Participants in this public meeting were made aware that these proceedings were being recorded and that an audio file of the meeting will be posted to the board's website.

AGENDA

1 **Section I began: 12:00 p.m.**

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3 **I. CALL TO ORDER (Roll Call):**

4 **Board Members Present:**

5 Stuart Kaplan, O.D., Chair

6 Carl Spear, O.D., Vice-Chair

7 Stephen Kepley, O.D.

8 Christopher King, O.D., F.A.A.O.

9 Tamara Maule, O.D.

10 John Griffin, J.D.

11 Lucille Turner, J.D.

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13 **Board Staff Present:**

14 Dr. Anthony Spivey, DBA, Executive Director

15 Gail Curry, Program Operations Administrator

16 Brandi May, Regulatory Supervisor

17 Keri Kilgore, Regulatory Specialist II

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19 **Board Counsel:**

20 Lawrence Harris, Assistant Attorney General

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22 **Court Reporter:**

23 For the Record

24 (850) 222-5491

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26 **Section I ended: 12:03 p.m.**

27 **Section II began: 12:03 p.m.**

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29 **II. PETITION FOR WAIVER AND VARIANCE**

30 **a. Dr. Michael Siebert**

31 Not Present. Not represented by counsel. Dr. Siebert requested that the board waive
32 the continuing education requirements for transcript quality coursework. Dr. Kaplan
33 concluded that transcript quality is a statutory requirement and cannot be waived.

34 **Action:** Motion to deny the petition made by Dr. Kepley. Second made by Dr. King.

35 **Vote:** 7 yeas/ 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

36 **Section II ended: 12:10 p.m.**

37 **Section III began: 12:10 p.m.**

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39 **III. REVIEW OF ONLINE CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES**

40 **a. Janet Swartz, National Glaucoma Society**

41 Dr. Maule recapped the discussion held at the May 2016 board meeting regarding
42 attendance at webinars. Dr. Schwartz provided a description of the live webinars and
43 how they submitted the request for approval. Dr. Schwartz indicated that the webinar
44 is continuously monitored to confirm live attendance. Ms. Kilgore explained the
45 process of submitting courses for approval of webinars. Dr. Spear requested guidance
46 on how to handle the courses that have already been approved. Dr. Spear suggested to
47 open rulemaking to establish a limitation of the continuing education hours that may
48 be approved for webinars. Mr. Harris concluded that proposed language will be
49 drafted and addressed at the November 17th board meeting.

50 **Action:** Motion to deny the approval of future webinar and online courses though CE
51 Broker until rule making has been resolved made by Dr. Spear. Second by Dr. Maule.

52 **Vote:** 7 yeas/ 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

53 **Action:** Motion to ratify the approval of the current webinar courses provided by
54 National Glaucoma Society made by Dr. Spear. Second by Dr. Maule

55 **Vote:** 7 yeas/ 0 opposed. Motion Carried.

56 **Action:** Motion to open rule making for chapter 64B13-5.001 and 64B13-5.002 to
57 establish a limitation of hours of web-based C.E. made by Dr. King. Second by Dr.
58 Maule.

59 **Vote:** 7 yeas/ 0 opposed. Motion Carried

60 **Section III ended: 12:47 p.m.**

61 **Section IV began: 12:47 p.m.**

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63 **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

64 The next board meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2017.

65 **Action:** Motion to adjourn made by Dr. Kaplan. Second by Dr. Maule.

66 **Vote:** 7 yeas/ 0 opposed. Motion carried.

67 **Section IV ended: 12:51 p.m.**