

BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

APRIL 15, 2021

9:30 am - 10:30 am

OPEN SESSION MEETING MEETING MINUTES

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 APRIL 15, 2021 ATTENDANCE & ROLL CALL**

BOARD MEMBER	
Dr. Jeffrey Kraskin, OD - Chairperson	Present
Dr. David Reed, OD - Board Member	Present
Dr. Lisa Johnson, OD- Board Member	Present
Dr. LaMia Jones, OD- Board Member	Present
Mr. Tracy Hammond- Board Member	Present
BOARD STAFF:	
Ericka L. Walker, MSW - Executive Director	Present
Mark Donatelli, Board Investigator	Present
Ashley Balma, Health Licensing Specialist	Present
LEGAL STAFF:	
Ajay Gohil, General Counsel	Present

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OPEN SESSION AGENDA

APRIL 15, 2021

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

OS-0415-01	<p><u>Introductions</u></p> <p>Board Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Jeffrey Kraskin, OD- Present • Dr. David Reed, OD- Present • Dr. Lisa Johnson, OD- Present • Dr. LaMia Jones, OD – Present • Mr. Tracy Hammond – Present <p>Board Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ericka Walker, Executive Director – Present • Mark Donatelli, Investigator – Present • Ashley Balma, Health Licensing Specialist- Present <p>Legal Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ajay Gohil, Attorney- Present
OS-0415-02	<p><u>Acceptance of Meeting Agenda</u></p> <p>Board Action: Acceptance of the April 15, 2021 Open Session Meeting Agenda.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to accept the April 15, 2021 meeting agenda was made by Dr. Johnson, seconded by Dr. Reed.</p> <p>Dr. Kraskin, Dr. Reed, Dr. Johnosn, Dr. Jones, Mr. Hammond all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>

MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS

OS-0415-03	<p><u>Executive Directors Report:</u></p> <p>Mrs. Walker welcomed all board members and staff to the Open Session portion of the meeting. She informed all attendees that the Mayor has extended the public health emergency order until May 20, 2021. All DC Health employees are still working in a telehealth posture. The District is now offering the COVID-19 Vaccine to all eligible people 16 years or older. Visit https://coronavirus.dc.gov/ for all COVID</p>
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	<p>updates. ARBO virtual conference will be held on June 19, 2021-June 20, 2021.</p> <p><u>Current Licensure Census</u> Optometrist: 213 Therapeutic Pharmacy Agent: 198 Diagnostic Pharmacy Agent: 192</p>	
OS-0415-04	<p><u>Board Attorney’s Report:</u></p> <p>Board Attorney Ajay Gohil welcomed all board members to the meeting. He informed the Board that the Legislation package will go before council in the summer, he looks forward to providing us an update at that time.</p>	
OS-0415-05	<p><u>Board Chair’s Report:</u></p> <p>Dr. Kraskin welcomed all to the Board meeting and thanked everyone for joining the April 15, 2021 meeting. Dr. Kraskin informed the Board that April 15, 2021 will be his last meeting as Board Chair. He has truly enjoyed being able to serve on the Board and is looking forward to the new opportunities life will offer and wishes everyone much success on all endeavors.</p>	
OS-0415-06	<p><u>Open Session Meeting Minutes:</u></p> <p>Board Action: Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the January 21, 2021 meeting.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to accept the January 21, 2021 meeting minutes was made by Dr. Reed, seconded by Dr. Johnson.</p> <p>Dr. Kraskin, Dr. Reed, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Jones, Mr. Hammond all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

DISCUSSION AND AGENDA ITEMS

OS-0415-07

Review of Optometry Regulations

Board Action:

To review the Board of Optometry’s current regulations and decide how to proceed with making changes to the regulations.

Background:

The Board of Optometry’s Regulations were last published December 2008.

Motion:

No Motion, FYI Only.

OS-0415-08

Delegation of Authority Review

Board Action:

To review the draft delegation of authority for the Board of Optometry final document.

Background:

The Board of Optometry’s Delegation of Authority has been placed into a final document for review and final decision making.

Motion:

A motion was made to accept the delegation of authority by Dr. Jones, seconded by Dr. Johnson.

Dr. Kraskin, Dr. Reed, Dr. Johnson, Dr. Jones, Mr. Hammond all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CLOSING

OS-0415-09

MOTION TO CLOSE

Board Action:

To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).

Background:

Upon conclusion of the open session meeting and pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to

	<p>consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.</p> <p>Motion: A motion was made to close the Open Session Portion of the meeting by Dr. Reed, seconded by Dr. Johnson.</p> <p>Dr. Kraskin, Dr. Reed, Dr. Johnosn, Dr. Jones, Mr. Hammond all voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	
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This ends the Board of Optometry Open Session Meeting, the next meeting is scheduled for [July 15, 2021](#).