



## **Board of Optometry**

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### **Approved Minutes Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 8:30am**

Board Members Present: Albert Pristaw, OD (via web); Francis Pinard, OD, Chair (via web); and Kenneth Lawenda, OD, Vice Chair (via web)

Board Member(s) Absent: Jean Peterson, Public Member

OPR Staff Present: Lauren Layman, General Counsel (via web); and Corey Young, Licensing Administrator II

#### **1. Call to Order**

- Dr. Pristaw called the meeting to order at 8:31 am.

#### **2. Changes to the agenda**

#### **3. Approval of September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, meeting minutes**

- Dr. Pinard made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Dr. Lawenda seconded the motion. Approved.

#### **4. Discussion**

##### **1. Telemedicine & Patient Care**

- The Board discussed telemedicine and the provider-patient relationship. The Board decided to continue this discussion at the March 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

##### **2. Officer Elections**

- Dr. Pristaw moved to appoint Dr. Pinard as Board Chair and, contingent on his reappointment, Dr. Lawenda as Vice Chair. Dr. Lawenda seconded the motion. Motion Passed.
  - **Chair** – Dr. Francis Pinard
  - **Vice Chair** – Dr. Kenneth Lawenda

#### **5. Adjournment**

- Dr. Pristaw moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:24am. Dr. Lawenda seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting Date –March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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