

Vermont Secretary of State
Office of Professional Regulation
BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
National Life Building, North, FL 2, Montpelier, Vermont
Approved Minutes
Meeting of September 21, 2011

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:40 A.M.

Members participating: Jon D. Eriksson, O.D. Chairman; Lois M. Shiozawa, O.D.; Daniel M. DaPolito, O.D. and Bonnie Liberty.

Members absent: Emma Pudvah

OPR Staff present: Larry Novins, Board Counsel; Aprille Morrison, Administrative Assistant; Chris Winters, OPR Director and Carla Preston, Case Manager.

Visitors: Heather Schouldice and Steve St. Marie

2. The Chair called for approval of the Minutes of the March 31, 2011 meeting. Dr. DaPolito made a motion, seconded by Dr. Shiozawa, to approve the Minutes of the March 31, 2011 meeting as written. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Case Manager Report**

Carla Preston reported to the Board there are currently two (2) pending cases for Optometry. One of them is pending investigation and the other is to be presented at this Board meeting as a closing report.

4. **Hearings/Stipulations/Reports of Concluded Investigations**

Report of Concluded Investigation: 2010-445

- Dr. Eriksson made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Dr. Shiozawa, the Board voted unanimously to accept the concluded report.

5. **Legislation/Rules**

The Board discussed proposed changes to their rules and reviewed the suggested changes from Heather Shouldice.

Director Winters went over the Optometry budget and at this time there are no suggestions for fee increases to the Optometrist licensees.

6. **Licensing**

Christopher Digiorgio – Mr. Digiorgio graduated in 1992 and was licensed in 1993 through Colorado. The Board requested Mrs. Morrison contact the Colorado board of Optometry to see what was required of Mr. Digiorgio to receive his Glaucoma

endorsement through them. We also need a copy of Mr. Digiorgio's current CPR certification.

Arnold Shapiro – Mr. Shapiro was approved for licensure with the Diagnostic Pharmaceutical Agents endorsement on his licensure. We need a copy of his current CPR certification and Mr. Shapiro will need to submit documentation to the Board showing he has completed the requirements for the Glaucoma and TPA endorsements to be added to his license.

Timothy Maselli – We need a copy of current CPR certification as well as transcripts from New England College of Optometry.

Renay Manley – We need a copy of Mrs. Manley's current CPR certification and Glaucoma certification.

Scott Schatz – Mr. Schatz was approved for licensure.

Julie DeVita – Mrs. DeVita was approved for licensure.

7. **Continuing Education**

8. **Correspondence**

E-Mail from Richard Stegen – the Board requested that Mrs. Morrison contact Mr. Stegen and request he complete an application, which then could be reviewed by the Board by e-mail. Mrs. Morrison contacted Mr. Stegen who in the interim found temporary work space in New Hampshire and does not need space or licensure in Vermont at this time.

Dr. Francis Pinard glaucoma Cases – the Board reviewed and approved the 5 cases submitted by Dr. Pinard.

9. **Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry, Inc. correspondence - None**

10. **Public Comment**

11. **Other Business Introduced by the Board**

12. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 8:30 am.

13. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Aprille Morrison, Administrative Assistant
Office of Professional Regulation