

KANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY
Minutes of the 9-10 July 2021 Meeting

- I. 8:32 called to order by Gerard Lozada, OD, President. Members of the Board present were Drs Dawn Bircher, Rebecca Sparks, and Lora Durst. Public member Carisa De Anda arrived later. Also, in attendance were Tim Resner, Board Counsel, Jan Murray, Executive Officer, Todd Fleischer, KOA representative, Laine C. Barnard, Assistant Attorney General, and Douglas Streifel, OD.
- II. The agenda was approved by consensus with one modification.
- III. Dr Birch motioned and Dr Sparks seconded a motion to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2021 and May 19, 2021 board meetings. Motion carried 4-0.
- IV. The Board welcomed Dr Durst to the Board.
- V. Announcements:
 - A. Dr Sparks announced that she had been appointed to the ARBO Board.
 - B. Dr Lozada announced that he is now a case report writer for NBEO
- VI. *Report of the Vice-President*
 - A. No Report
- VII. *Report of the Secretary/Treasurer*
 - A. Dr Sparks discussed masks and patient screening in optometric practice with CDC guidelines and OSHA requirements. The Board told Dr Sparks to draft additional guidelines for the Board to review.
 - B. The Board set the dates for 2021 and 2022:
 - October 4, 2021 at 1:00 pm
 - January 5, 2022 at 1:00 pm
 - April 11, 2022 at 1:00 pm
 - July 15-16, 2022 at 8:30 am / Annual ExamThe Board instructed Ms Murray to reserve rooms in the State Capitol for all meetings.
 - C. Dr Sparks requested that the Board discuss the CE requirements at the October meeting.
- VIII. *Report of the Member-At-Large*
 - A. No Report
- IX. *Report of the Public Member*
 - A. No report
- X. *Report of the Legal Counsel*
 - A. Mr Resner had no report in the public section but requested an executive session

XI. *Report of the Executive Officer*

- A. Ms Murray reported on renewals: 375 licenses were renewed, 14 were retired and 5 were expired on 07/01/2021.
- B. Reciprocity
 - 1. Dr Durst moved and Dr Sparks seconded a motion to approve the reciprocity of Douglas Streifel, OD. Motion carried 4-0.
- C. Trade Names:
 - 1. Dr Birch motioned and Dr Durst seconded a motion to approve the trade name of *Prairie Vista Eye and Optical, P.A.*, 22381 N Kansas Ave, Liberal, KS for Ryan Farrar, OD. Motion carried 4-0.
 - 2. D Sparks motioned and Dr Durst seconded a motion to approve the trade name of *The Eye Center on 135th*, 13600 S Alden St, Olathe, KS for Evan Strong, OD and Jayme Fose, OD. Motion carried 4-0.
 - 3. Dr Birch motioned and Dr Durst seconded a motion to approve the trade name of *Wichita Optometry, PA*, 8150 E Douglas Ave, Suite 50, Wichita , KS for Jeffery Yarrow, OD, Chadwin Fleming, OD, Ashley Blasi, OD, Drew Heide, OD, Melia Nguyen, OD, Kevin Cline, OD, Amy Goertz, OD, Jamie Speth, OD and Roy Roberts, OD. Motion carried 4-0.
 - 4. Dr Sparks motioned and Dr Birch seconded a motion to approve the trade name of *Aria Vision Care, LLC*, various nursing homes in Kansas, for Douglas Streifel, OD. Motion carried 4-0.
- D. The Board tabled the request from ASCO to require Cultural Competence continuing education until the October meeting.
- E. Ms Murray discussed the Board's budget. The Board requested that she arrange budget training for the Board at the October meeting.
- F. Ms Murray discussed getting iPads for the Board. The Board instructed her to wait.
- G. Ms Murray discussed an inquiry she had about offering guidance on closing an optometry practice when the optometrist has passed away.

XII. *Report of the President*

- A. Dr Lozada gave a report of the ARBO conference that he attended in June.
- B. Dr Lozada discussed previous investigations that had been filed with Kansas Board of Healing Arts.
- C. Dr Lozada discussed new investigations that were to be filed with Kansas board of Healing Arts.
- D. Dr Lozada asked for new items for discussion
- E. Dr Lozada discussed unfinished items, which included reviewing all of the rules and regulations.

XIII. *Comments From the Public*

- A. No report

Dr Lozada moved to go into executive session at 12:10 pm, to return to open session at 12:30 pm. The justification was to engage in discussions protected by the attorney-client privilege and the topic being potential litigation. The motion was seconded by Dr. Sparks. Motion carried 5-0.

Dr Lozada motioned and Dr Sparks seconded a motion to recess until after the completion of the annual exam on Saturday, July 10, 2021. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board recessed at 12:30 pm.

The Board reconvened on Saturday, July 10, 2021 at 2:24 pm.

XIV. *Exam Scores*

- A. Dr Birch motioned and Ms De Anda seconded a motion to pass 19 candidates for licensure to practice optometry in the state of Kansas, three provisional upon passing all parts of the NBEO by January 31, 2022, and two upon receipt of criminal background reports. Motion carried 5-0.

XV. *Adjournment*

- A. Dr Birch motioned and Ms De Anda seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 2:47 pm.