

**Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation
Division of Professional Regulation**

**Illinois Optometric Licensing and Disciplinary Board
Open Minutes**

Date: May 20, 2021
 Meeting Convened: 10:32 a.m.
 Meeting Adjourned: 11:57 a.m.
 Locations: Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation
 Division of Professional Regulation Via Interactive Webinar

Board Members Present: Janice M. McMahon, O.D., Chairperson
 Mark D. Esarey, O.D., Vice-Chairperson
 Charlotte F. Nielsen, O.D., Member
 Brian Sehy, O.D., Member
 R. Scott Wooley O.D., Member

Board Members Absent: Valerie Sims-Rucker, Public Member

Visitors Present: Leigh Ann Vanausdoll, Illinois Optometry Association
 Melissa Suckow, O.D., FAAO, Diplomate ABO, Dean of Chicago
 College of Optometry
 Rick Adams, Guest

Staff Present: Keri Ginger, Board Liaison
 Janel Haretoun, General Counsel
 Yadira Lazcano, Intern

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Welcome and Introductions	The Board members, DPR staff and guest introduced themselves.	
Approval of Minutes	The Open Minutes from the March 18, 2021 board meeting was reviewed by the Board Members.	Motion was made and seconded (Esarey/Nielsen) to approve the March 18, 2021 Open Minutes of the Optometric Licensing and Disciplinary Board meeting. Motion approved by roll call vote. Ayes – Esarey, McMahon, Nielsen, Sehy, Wooley
Old Business	The Board Members discussed the vacant Coordinator and Board Member positions and would	

<p>New Business</p>	<p>appreciate IDFPR moving forward to fill the vacancies.</p> <p>The Board discussed the composition of the Board in the Act and possible new positions.</p> <p>The Chair discussed Continuing Education requirements and changes to the Administrative Rules.</p> <p>Leigh Ann Vanausdoll reported that the telehealth legislation is moving forward with no official opposition to date.</p> <p>The Board discussed non-profession related mandated CE which now includes Implicit Bias.</p>	
<p>Closed Session</p>	<p>No closed session held.</p>	
<p>Chairman Time</p>	<p>The Chair discussed communications received from optometrists and companies regarding the scope of practice for three specific medications. The Board does not find the use of naloxone, Tepezza, and gabapentin within the optometric scope of practice.</p> <p>Leigh Ann Vanausdoll discussed the vaccination courses being offered to optometrists through COPE approval. Discussion was also given regarding further approval to continue to give vaccinations.</p>	
<p>Board Liaison Time</p>	<p>The next meeting of the Optometry Board, July 15, 2021, is tentatively scheduled as a virtual meeting.</p>	

Adjournment		A motion was made and seconded (Wooley/Sehy) to adjourn the Optometric Board Meeting at 11:57 a.m. Motion approved by roll call vote. Ayes - Esarey, McMahon, Nielsen, Sehy, Wooley
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