

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

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

Date: September 19, 2019  
 Meeting Convened: 10:32 a.m.  
 Meeting Adjourned: 11:52 a.m.  
 Locations: IDPR Springfield Office  
 Room 258

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

Board Members Absent: Mary Lou French, O.D., Member  
 Valerie Sims-Rucker, Public Member

Visitors Present: Leigh Ann Vanausdoll, Illinois Optometric Association  
 Katie Lewis, Illinois Optometric Association

Staff Present: Keri Ginger, Manager, Health Services Section  
 Luci Parady, General Counsel

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	The Board members and DPR staff introduced themselves and welcomed Leigh Ann Vanausdoll and Katie Lewis from the Illinois Optometric Association.	
<b>Approval of Minutes</b>	The Open Minutes from the May 16, 2019 Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board Members.	Acceptance of Open Minutes of the Optometric Licensing and Disciplinary Board meeting as submitted.
<b>Old Business</b>		

	<p>Board Member Charlotte Nielsen informed the Board of ARBO’s definition of a board which includes discipline and continuing education audits. Legal Counsel, Luci Parady, stated that the Illinois Board is advisory only and can’t initiate action on their own.</p> <p>The Board discussed the new Sexual Harassment Prevention CE and Opioid CE requirements.</p>	<p>The Board stated CE audits are a worthwhile check and balance for licensees and requested the Department to conduct a CE audit for the Optometry profession.</p>
<b>IPL Device</b>	<p>The Board revisited the use of an Intense Pulse Laser device by Optometrists.</p>	<p>The device is available without the laser and would fit within the scope of practice of Optometry. Important to bill appropriately if used.</p>
<b>Telehealth</b>	<p>The Board again discussed telehealth and the impact to Optometrists in Illinois. Illinois Optometric Association addressing telehealth and how it fits within scope of practice including what it would mean for a comprehensive examination, direct supervision, restrictions if assistant present and doctor’s location.</p>	
<b>New Business</b>	<p>The Board discussed the possibility of quarterly meeting dates.</p> <p>A discussion was had regarding the 12 hours of continuing education given for teaching at an approved optometry school.</p>	

<p><b>Closed Session</b></p>	<p>A roll call was taken to go into closed session to review closed minutes at 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Motion was made and seconded (Nielsen/Esarey) to close the session for the purpose of reviewing the closed minutes pursuant to Section 2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act. A roll call vote was taken.</p> <p>Janice M. McMahon – Aye  Mark D. Esarey – Aye  Charlotte F. Nielsen – Aye  R. Scott Wooley – Aye</p> <p>The motion carried and the session closed at 11:34 a.m.</p>
<p><b>Open Session</b></p>		<p>Motion was made and seconded (Nielsen/Wooley) to come out of Closed Session at 11:34 am. Motion carried.</p> <p>Motion was made and seconded (Nielsen/Wooley) to approve the recommendations made during Closed Session. Motion carried.</p>
<p><b>Chairman Time</b></p>	<p>Midwestern University Chicago College of Optometry has inquired on the 12 hours of non-tested CE to provide to their faculty.</p> <p>Additional concerns to the board including the finger-prick blood testing and the OE tracker will be discussed further at future meetings.</p>	<p>The program at Midwestern University Chicago College of Optometry has been approved as an Optometry School in Illinois.</p>
<p><b>Board Liaison Time</b></p>	<p>The Division is moving forward with board member replacements.</p>	

	The next scheduled meeting of the Optometric Board is November 21, 2019 in Chicago.	
<b>Adjournment</b>		A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:52 a.m. Motion carried.