

**Department of Financial and Professional Regulation
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 Collaborative Optometric/Ophthalmological Task Force Advisory Board Meeting**

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Collaborative Optometric/Ophthalmological Task Force Open Minutes

Date: May 9, 2017
 Meeting Convened: 2:34 P.M.
 Meeting Adjourned: 3:59 P.M.
 Location: IDFPR Springfield Office, 320 W. Washington St., Room 285
 IDFPR Chicago Office, 100 W Randolph St., Room 375

Roll Call: Vince Brandys, OD
 Sohail Hasan, M.D., Ph.D
 Michael Horstman, Task Force Member
 Erin O'Brien, Task Force Member

Staff Present: Katy Straub, Associate General Counsel, IDFPR
 Kathleen Alcorn, IDFPR

Guests Present: Chris Albanis, Deepak Mangla, Geoffrey Goodfellow, Leigh Ann Vanousdoll, Richard Paul, Matthew Jones

Topic	Discussion	Action
Roll Call	<p>Task Force Members Present:</p> <p>Vince Brandys, OD Sohail Hasan, M.D., Ph.D Michael Horstman Erin O'Brien</p> <p>It was announced that Katy Straub, IDFPR Associate General Counsel is attending this meeting on behalf of Milana Lublin, IDFPR Assistant General Counsel assigned to assist the Task Force.</p>	Meeting called to order.
Approval of April 11, 2017 Minutes	Dr. Hasan provided suggested edits for clarification to the draft meeting minutes examined by the Task Force.	A motion was made by Horstman/ seconded by Brandys to approve the April 11, 2017 meeting minutes with Dr. Hasan's suggested edits for clarification. Motion passed unanimously.

<p>Analysis of Task Force Action</p>	<p>Hard copies of an optometry school course description document were distributed to Task Force Members at the meeting. This information was provided to the Department by Task Force Member Michael Horstman to aid in future curriculum discussions.</p> <p>The Task Force proceeded to discuss curriculum requirements which would ensure adequate training for optometrists to perform advanced optometric procedures.</p> <p>Mr. Horstman commented that he believes optometrists today are already receiving the necessary education to provide advanced optometric procedures, but offered for discussion the addition of a hands-on training component to ensure student competency.</p> <p>The Task Force discussed briefly the possibility of a course similar to Oklahoma's 30 hour course. Mr. Horstman noted that because Oklahoma's courses encompass laser training outside the scope of Illinois legislation, this would effectively make a 30 hour course in Illinois more concentrated on remaining optometric procedures. No agreement was reached on this concept.</p> <p>Meeting guest Geoffrey Goodfellow, OD, FAAO, Associate Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Assessment and Records at the Illinois College of Optometry, provided extensive information to the Task Force regarding didactic and clinical courses offered at the Illinois College of Optometry, including a breakdown of the structure of each of the four years, on a quarterly basis. References were made to the course description</p>	
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document distributed at the beginning of the meeting.

Dr. Goodfellow described internship requirements in various patient population and treatment settings. Each student must obtain a at least 70 total internship credits, comprised of 10 hours each in the areas of pediatrics, advanced optometry, low vision, cornea contact lens, and elective, and 20 hours in primary care. Any procedures performed by students are overseen and evaluated by trained clinicians. Students progress as they demonstrate proficiency. Dr. Goodfellow estimated that students attending the Illinois College of Optometry see approximately 1500-1600 patients during their four-year curriculum.

Dr. Hasan inquired into the qualifications of faculty that teach surgery and injection courses to optometry students. Dr. Goodfellow responded that the courses are taught by board-certified ophthalmologists. Students practice the following types of injections on one another (but not on actual patients): subconjunctival, intramuscular, and intravenous.

Dr. Goodfellow provided information regarding the various optometry residency programs which are available for students to pursue, but optional. Dr. Goodfellow offered to remain available to answer any additional questions the Task Force may have.

Dr. Hasan and Dr. Albanis asked a number of questions relating to the curriculum at the Illinois College of Optometry, as well as residency and externship programs, especially the

	<p>clinical experience received by students.</p> <p>The Task force then discussed the licensing examination requirements for optometrists.</p> <p>Mr. Horstman encouraged the Task Force to review the progression of coursework available online at the Illinois College of Optometry's website.</p>	
<p>Old Business</p> <p>I. 2017 Meeting Dates</p> <p>II. Deadlines</p>	<p>Ms. Straub confirmed with the Task Force members that the next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2017 at 2:30p.m.</p> <p>Ophthalmology - Final Education Curriculum Due September 2017</p>	
<p>Adjournment</p>		<p>There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Brandys / seconded by Hasan to adjourn at 3:59 PM. Motion passed unanimously.</p>