

## **AGENDA**

### **CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR OPTICIANS**

Monday, September 10, 2018, at 10:00 AM  
Department of Public Health  
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford CT  
**Third Floor – Hearing Room**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

- I. **Minutes**  
Review and approval of the minutes from the February 6, 2018 and June 28, 2018 meetings.
  
- II. **New Business**  
Reschedule the November 26, 2018 Board meeting

#### **ADJOURN**

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please contact the Public Health Hearing Office at 860-509-7566*

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and have not yet been adopted by the board.

The Connecticut Board of Examiners for Opticians held a meeting on Thursday, February 6, 2018 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor Hearing Room, Hartford, CT.

Board Members Present by Telephone Conference: René "Skip" Rivard, LO, Chairperson  
Daniel Denegre, LO  
Alden Mead, JD, Public Member

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: Jeffrey Kardys, Administrative Hearings Specialist/Board Liaison, DPH; Alfreda Gaither, Staff Attorney, Hearing Office; Daniel Shapiro, Assistant Attorney General; Christian Andresen, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigations, DPH, Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Office of Legal Compliance, DPH

Chairperson René Rivard called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

**I. Minutes**

Motion to accept minutes from the meeting of December 28, 2017. **Motion: Mead; Second, Denegre. Motion Passed Unanimously**

**II. New Business**

The Board held a discussion with Christian Andresen, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigations and Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Office of Legal Compliance regarding the investigation and prosecution of complaints by the Department of Public Health and the criteria for the Board to issue a Summary Suspension Order. Assistant Attorney General Daniel Shapiro was present for this discussion and to provide counsel to the Board.

No votes were taken by the Board regarding this issue.

**III. Adjourn**

**Motion Mead, Second Denegre. Motion Passed Unanimously.** Meeting adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Denegre, LO  
Connecticut Board of Examiners for Opticians

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The Connecticut Board of Examiners for Opticians held a meeting on Thursday, June 28, 2018 at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor Hearing Room, Hartford, CT.

Board Members Present by Telephone Conference: René "Skip" Rivard, LO, Chairperson  
Daniel Denegre, LO  
Alden Mead, JD, Public Member

Board Members Absent: None

Also Present: Jeffrey Kardys, Administrative Hearings Specialist/Board Liaison, DPH; Alfreda Gaither, Staff Attorney, Hearing Office.

Chairperson René Rivard called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

I. New Business - July 2018 Practical Examination

- A. Chairman Rivard announced the dates of the upcoming Practical Exams.
  - 1. Eyewear: Tuesday July 10 and Tuesday July 24
    - a) 40 Candidates: 7 Proctors per exam
  - 2. Contact Lens: Thursday July 24
    - a) 30 Candidates: 11 Proctors per exam
  
- B. Options to facilitate exam proctors and dates was discussed.
  - 1. Increase spread between exam dates
    - a) Lottery for exam day candidate placement
      - (1) Will discuss with Deb Brown
  - 2. Consider earlier application closing date.
  - 3. Reserve additional rooms in advance, release if unnecessary
  
- C. Investigate ABO/NCLE Virtual Exam
  - 1. Possible ABO/NCLE Presentation at future meeting
  
- D. Adjourn
  - 1. Motion Mead, Second Denegre. Motion Passed Unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



René R. Rivard  
Connecticut Board of Examiners for Opticians