

**The Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers**  
**March 13, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers was conducted March 13, 2013, at the Office of Occupations and Professions, 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Members Present

Granville Smith, Chairman  
Charlotte Whittaker  
Melanie Abner, Secretary

Occupations and Professions Staff Present

Lindsey Lane, Board Administrator

Others Present

Angela Evans, Board Counsel (filling in for Michael West)

Members Absent

Dr. Gary Wortz  
Dr. Kevin Stallard

**Call to Order**

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Whittaker made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the January 23, 2013 meeting. Ms. Abner seconded that motion and it carried.

**Review of Financial Statements**

The Board reviewed their financial statements from the months of January and February.

**O&P Report**

Ms. Lane informed the Board that the office has hired a new Board Administrator that began working on March 1, 2013. The office is also continuing to work with the Commonwealth Office of Technology on updating and revising the Licensee Database. Executive Director Courtney Bourne will be out of the office on Maternity Leave from mid March to early May, if you should need immediate assistance from management you may contact Administrative Section Supervisor Debra Day or Operations Section Supervisor Susan Ellis.

**Exchange of Information Agreement with Department of Revenue**

Greg Jennings, Legal Counsel with the Department of Revenue came to speak to the Board about complying with KRS 131.1817 which relates to an Exchange of Information Agreement between the Board and the Department of Revenue pertaining to licensees within that occupation that may have or show delinquent taxes with the state of Kentucky. Mr. Smith explained his concerns with the nature of the request and the privacy for licensees. Ms. Lane explained that some of the information the Department is seeking the

Office of Occupations and Professions may not be able to provide. Mr. Jennings informed the Board that there is the possibility to do a Letter of Cooperation where the office can provide the information that they do hold when requested by the Department. Ms. Abner made a motion for the Board to develop of Letter of Cooperation with the Department of Revenue. Ms. Whittaker seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Board Counsel Report**

Assistant Attorney General Angela Evans filled in for Board Counsel Michael West. Ms. Evans presented the Settlement Agreement from Wal-Mart and a check for the amount that was settled upon. Ms. Lane will deliver the check to the Fiscal Section and disburse the Settlement Agreement to all parties involved. Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the settlement. Ms. Whittaker seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Contract for Investigative Services**

Ms. Lane informed the Board that the current contract for Investigative Services is up for renewal. Ms. Abner made a motion to renew the contract. Ms. Whittaker seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Ophthalmic Inspector Report**

No Inspector report in March meeting. Mr. Brentlinger did inform the Board that he has received several tips on businesses selling colored contact lenses. He asked the Board to consider working on a Public Service Announcement as that may inform the public that it is illegal.

### **Licensure Status Report**

Ms. Lane reported that there are currently 227 active Apprentice Ophthalmic Dispensers, 620 active Ophthalmic Dispensers, and 123 inactive Ophthalmic Dispensers.

### **Approval of Apprentice Applications**

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the following Apprentice Applications:

1. Joshua Luzius - Lenscrafters, Lexington, KY
2. Anna Farar - Eyeglass World, Lexington, KY
3. Whitnee Thorp - Lenscrafters, Lexington, KY
4. Shelby Marshall - Lenscrafters, Florence, KY
5. Julia Fonov - National Vision Inc., Lawrenceville, GA
6. Jennifer Schrump - Wal-Mart Vision Center, Benton, KY
7. James Perry - Advanced Vision of Louisville, Louisville, KY
8. Linwood Oakes - Wal-Mart Vision Center, Berea, KY
9. Amber Sapp - America's Best Contacts & Eyeglasses, Louisville, KY
10. Danyelle Nally - America's Best Contacts & Eyeglasses, Louisville, KY

Ms. Whittaker seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Approval of Practical Exam Applications**

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the following Practical Exam Applications:

1. Erin Hill – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Columbia, KY
2. Erin Majakey – Dr. Majakey(Optometrlist), Prestonsburg, KY
3. Dawn Reliford – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Columbia, KY
4. Amber Bowling – Bastin Optometric Clinic, Hopkinsville, KY
5. Brittany Stacy – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Lexington, KY
6. Jessica Preston – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Franklin, OH
7. Cecelia Brooks – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Florence, KY
8. Debra Chasteen – Wal-Mart Vision Center, Frankfort, KY

Ms. Whittaker seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Additional Business**

Mr. Smith informed the Board that there are still several states interested in providing the National Practical to their licensees. Some states that don't require licensure are looking at the examination as a training tool for all employees.

The NCSORB provided a bill to Ms. Lane for the yearly dues. Ms. Abner made a motion for the Board to pay the bill. Ms. Whittaker seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Approval of Travel and Per Diem**

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve travel and per diem for members that attended today's meeting. Ms. Whittaker seconded that motion and it carried.

### **Next Meeting**

The Board will meet again on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at the Office of Occupations and Professions.

### **Adjournment**

Ms. Abner made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:53am. Ms. Whittaker seconded that motion and it carried.



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Granville Smith, Chairman