THE KENTUCKY BOARD OF OPHTHALMIC DISPENSERS MEETING MINUTES March 16, 2022

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers conducted on March 16, 2022 for The Department of Professional Licensing at 500 Mero St., Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 via Zoom & PPC Conference Room 127CW.

MEMBERS PRESENT DPL STAFF

Dr. Todd Purkiss Jamar Carter, Boards & Commission Support SPC

Dr. Kimberly Smith Kevin Winstead, Commissioner

Cindy Castle Tasha Stewart, Administrative Section Supervisor

Jeroyd Evans Catherine Falconer, General Counsel

Mary K. Froelicher

MEMBER ABSENT GUESTS

None

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Cindy Castle called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

MINUTES

Jeroyd Evans made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 19, 2022 regular board meeting, Dr. Todd Purkiss seconded the motion and the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The board reviewed the financial reports from the months of January & February 2022 with no additional questions at this time

DPL REPORT

Commissioner Winstead updated the board on SJR 150 COVID-19 state of emergency end date of 4/14/2022, hybrid meetings & mask policy updates. He then detailed the board on the updated MOA w/OLS as well as the investigators contract.

The board was informed on the progress of HB97

The board was advised that all members will receive state issued email address within the next 3-6 months for all board related correspondences.

Commissioner Winstead briefed all members of the board on HB91which waives both the application and renewal fee for armed service members as well as their spouses.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT

No updates at this time

OLD BUSINESS

100% audit on renewals tabled until the 2023 renewal cycle due to COVID-19 State of Emergency

Commission Winstead covered the Subject Matter Committee pertaining to the fees in the DPL Report under HB97.

All discussions pertaining to the updated applications & forms was tabled until next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

The board received an inquiry from the Arkansas State Board of Opticians about online sales and shipping from State-to-State. All responses tabled until next meeting for Regulation & Statute compliance review.

LICENSURE STATUS REPORT

Boards and Commission Support Specialist Jamar Carter reported there are currently 206 active apprentice ophthalmic dispensers. 89 expire in 2022 with 86 being Active-Active Not Eligible to Practice. 117 expire in 2023 with 6 being Active-Active Not Eligible to Practice. 0 renewed on inactive status for 2022 & 2023.

565 active Ophthalmic Dispensers, 74 expire in 2022 & 49 renewed on inactive status for 2022. 491 expire in 2023 & 98 renewed on inactive status set to expire in 2023.

APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE REVIEW

No applications for review at this time

COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE REVIEW

One complaint received March 3, 2022, all responses tabled until next meeting

CONTINUING EDUCATION REVIEW

No applications for review at this time

OPHTHALMIC INSPECTOR REPORT

No inspection at this time

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Jeroyd Evans made a motion to approve per diem for members that attended today's meeting. Dr. Todd Purkiss second that motion and it carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled board will take place on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at the 500 Mero St, Frankfort, KY 40601, The Mayo-Underwood Building. The Applications and Complaints Committee will meet prior, at 9:30 a.m. with the board meeting to follow at 10:00am.

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Kimberly Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:37a.m. Dr. Todd Purkiss seconded the motion and it carried.

Cindy Castle, Board Chair