

IDAHO BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
Bureau of Occupational Licenses
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Conference Call Minutes of 5/30/2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Rodney L. White, O.D. - Chair
Robert B. Grill, O.D.
Donald K. James, O.D.
Jack G. Zarybnisky, O.D.
Robert Sorensen O.D.

BUREAU STAFF: Dawn Hall, Administrative Support Manager
Roger Hales, Administrative Attorney
Maurie Ellsworth, Legal Counsel
Cherie Simpson, Management Assistant
Carrie Gilstrap, Technical Records Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT: Larry Benton, Kris Ellis, Tony Smith, Peter Jensen (IMA/ISO), Dr. Andregg, Molly Steckel (IMA/ISO), Erin Trimble (IMA/ISO), Anita Hamann (DFM)

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM MDT by Rodney L. White, O.D.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Dr. Zarybnisky to approve the 3/5/2012 minutes with the noted correction. Seconded by Dr. Grill, motion carried.

A motion was made by Dr. Zarybnisky to approve the 3/26/2012 minutes as written. Seconded by Dr. Grill, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM THE NEGOTIATED RULE MAKING PROCESS

Mr. Hales stated interested parties received the Board's proposed rules and the changes made following its last meeting on 3/26/2012. Additional comments were then submitted by Dr. Larry Anderson and Mr. Kenneth McClure. Dr. White acknowledged receipt of the comments sent with regard to the Board's proposed rule changes. He stated that although he can see Dr. Anderson's concern, optometrists have been trained in school to perform the procedures in the rules. He added that the Board will take the comments under advisement.

Dr. Sorensen stated the Board made changes to its proposed rules as Mr. McClure had requested. Dr. Grill stated he thought they had addressed Mr. McClure's concerns in the current draft.

Dr. White stated that optometrists have been practicing these codes for years and it is not an expansion to their scope.

The Board requested that if the interested parties have concerns on any of the specific codes proposed that they submit this for the Board to further discuss during its next scheduled meeting on July 13, 2012

The Board asked Mr. Hales to draft a letter to Ken McClure and Dr. Anderson requesting their specific concerns with the CPT codes identified by the Board in its proposed rules for consideration at the July meeting.

Dr. Jensen approached the members of the Board. He stated that he appreciated the removal of the term "surgical" and offered different scenarios to the Board which further defined superficial as well as the anesthesia that would be used in procedures.

NEXT MEETING was previously scheduled for Friday July 13, 2012 at 8:30 AM.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Dr. Sorensen to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 AM. Seconded by Dr. Zarybnisky, motion carried.

Rodney L. White, O.D., Chair

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Tana Cory, Bureau Chief