NEVADA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY



MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING October 26, 2023

- 1. Call to Order and Roll Call- President Mariah Smith, O.D. opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Board members Jeffrey Austin, O.D., Stephanie Lee, O.D., and Drew Johnson present. Executive Director Adam Schneider present. President Smith described the intent, purpose, and process of NAC regulation drafting.
- 2. **AB 219 Compliance-** Pursuant to AB219/NRS 241.023, President Smith announced the public telephonic access number of 1-719-359-4580, and Zoom meeting ID 820 5771 1970 and Passcode 478467.
- 3. **Public Comment** No public comment was offered, given that Item no.4 of the Agenda is for public comment regarding suggestions for NAC 636 revisions/amendments predicated upon AB 432's passage in June 2023.
- 4. **Stakeholders' Input-** President Smith opened the floor to the public. No suggestions offered from the public.

President Smith mentioned AB 432's section 16 regarding a licensee reporting disciplinary action to the Board, and that other States' Boards differentiate between a disciplinary action requiring reporting versus an administrative action not requiring reporting. Dr. Smith suggested future discussion for possible differentiation by the Board, consistent with prior Board discussions. Dr. Austin agreed with the need for differentiation to remedy unfairness to the licensee having to report, e.g., untimely CE completion resulting in an administrative fine and National Practitioner Databank entry.

Dr. Austin mentioned AB 432's Section 17 regarding performance of procedures by students (subsection 1) and residents (subsection 2), and the need for NACs on the scope of practice, be it maximum of scope or limitations.

President Smith stated the next Board meeting regarding NAC drafting will be January 24, 2024, and suggested pre-meeting preparations by reviewing AB 432 and the uncodified NAC 636. Director Schneider explained the recent newsletter's hyperlinks and the Meeting Materials included NAC 636 as if it were timely codified from 2019-2020. Director Schneider expressed in his opinion, the Board members are best served to work off of that document as opposed to the unrevised version (aka R066-19).

- 5. **Public Comment** No public comment was offered. Director Schneider announced the January 24, 2024 8:00a.m. in-person Board meeting at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 W. Sahara Ave., Red Rock Room, 4th Floor, Ste. 440, Las Vegas, NV 89102.
- 6. **Action Item- Adjournment.** Dr. Lee moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Austin seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

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Tues. November 28, 2023 - Reg. Bd. Meeting - 6:30p.m. (pst) - phone or Zoom

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These minutes were considered and approved by majority vote of the Nevada State Board of Optometry at its meeting on November 28, 2023.

Adam Schneider, Executive Director