

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY



MINUTES OF WORKSHOP RE: R066-19 SECTION (8)(4) October 30, 2024

1. **Welcome and introductions.** President Mariah Smith, O.D. opened the live meeting at 12:26p.m.¹ Deputy Attorney General (DAG) Joseph Ostunio, Esq., and Board members Mariah Smith, O.D., Jeffrey Austin, O.D., Julieta Alamo-Leon, O.D. were present via Zoom, Meeting ID: 836 9525 4557, Passcode: 2232260, telephone 1 669 900 6833² and therefore quorum was established. Executive Director Adam Schneider attended in-person at Nevada Business Center, Tahoe Room, 3300 W. Sahara Ave., 4th Floor, Ste. 440, Las Vegas, NV 89102.

2. **Public Comment.** President Smith invited public comment. No public comment received.

3. **Action Item. Workshop re proposed R066-19(8)(4).** Dr. Smith began the Workshop and discussed the purpose of the proposed revised regulation that the Board's policy was a 70% passing rate on CE tests to be more in line with national standards, but it has yet to be formally placed into regulation. Dr. Smith commented that the regulation also clarifies what it means to be an in-person CE which would address the need for clarification coming from the membership. Dr. Austin commented to accept the proposed as-is because it is clear and the Board needs to become consistent with national certifying CE groups which have it as 70%, and this would make it official within the regulation. Director Schneider described the rulemaking process and requested a motion in order to enter the next phase of the process which is the posting of a Notice of Intent to Take Action on Regulation to be conducted at the Board's next public meeting. Dr. Smith moved to approve the proposed revised regulation as stated in the Notice of Workshop. Dr. Alamo seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Director Schneider advised the Board the next meeting on December 11, 2024 would at minimum be comprised of two Notices of Intent to Action on Regulation of R066-19(12) and R066-19(8)(4), a complaint regarding optometrist and ophthalmologist co-management, and an update on the Boards & Commission proposed bill.

4. **Action Item. Adjournment.** Dr. Smith moved to adjourn. Dr. Austin seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Workshop adjourned at 12:32p.m.

¹ This Workshop occurred immediately after the Board's regular meeting on October 30, 2024 12pm.

² Public Member Balecha not present due to scheduling conflict.

11 persons attended virtually, inclusive of Board members and Deputy Attorney General. No role call conducted or sign-in sheets provided.

1 person attended in-person, inclusive of the Executive Director. No role call conducted or sign-in sheets provided.

These minutes were considered and approved by majority vote of the Nevada State Board of Optometry at its meeting on December 11, 2024.

/s/ Adam Schneider
Adam Schneider, Executive Director