

**KANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY**  
**Minutes of the October 21, 2020 Meeting**

- I. 1:00 pm called to order by Ron Hansen, OD, President. Members of the Board present were Drs. Gerard Lozada, Craig Newland, Rebecca Sparks, and public member Carisa De Anda. Also in attendance were Randy Forbes, Board Counsel, Jan Murray, Executive Officer, Todd Fleischer, KOA representative, and Sailor Sinclair, Legislative Research Analyst.
- II. Dr Newland motioned and Dr Sparks seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2020 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.
- III. *Report of the President*
  - A. Dr Hansen presented Gary Slimmer a plaque thanking him for his service on the board.
  - B. Dr Hansen welcomed Carisa De Anda to the Board as the new public member.
- IV. *Report of the Vice President*
  - A. Dr Lozada discussed the 2021 exam. The dates of the 2021 exam will be July 9 – 10, 2021.
  - B. Dr Lozada discussed a complaint the Board received regarding lax Covid-19 procedures.
  - C. Dr Lozada gave an update on the complaints filed with the Kansas Board of Healing Arts.
  - D. Dr Lozada discussed contact with other state boards regarding similar complaints.
  - E. Dr Lozada discussed his involvement with the NBEO Part 3 Oversight Committee and the updates being made to Part 3 of the NBEO exam.
  - F. Dr Lozada discussed Amazon Alexa phone calls he had been receiving.
- V. *Report of the Secretary/ Treasurer*
  - A. Dr Sparks discussed Hero Practice / Adventure Dental and Vision practices about possible violations of optometry laws.
  - B. Dr Sparks discussed the OE Tracker Committee Meeting that she and Ms Murray attended the previous week. She informed the Board about what other states were doing for live CE during the pandemic. The Board will accept COPE's interactive online CE courses as live until 06/30/2021.
- VI. *Report of the Member-At-Large*
  - A. Dr Newland discussed switching Ms Murray's position from classified to unclassified.

Dr Newland motioned to move into Executive Session at 2:55 pm returning to open session at 3:05 pm. The justification to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel. The motion was seconded by Dr Hansen. The motion passed

*The Board adjourned into executive session at 2:55 pm*

*The Board reconvened at 3:05 pm.*

VII. *Report of the Public Member*

- A. No report

VIII. *Report of the Legal Counsel*

- A. Mr Forbes gave the Board a legal update.

Dr Hansen motioned to into executive session at 3:17 pm and return to open session at 3:27 pm. The justification was to engage in discussions protected by the attorney-client privilege and the topic being potential litigation. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lozada. The motion passed.

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IX. *Report of the Executive Officer*

A. Trade Names

1. Dr Newland motioned and Dr Lozada seconded a motion to approve the trade name of *Hall Family Eyecare, LLC*, 2107 S Seneca, Wichita, KS for Arraya Paksin-Hall, OD. Motion carried 5-0.
2. Dr Newland motioned and Dr Lozada seconded a motion to approve the trade name of *Hutton Family Eye Care*, 2540 Iowa St, Suite L, Lawrence, KS for Rhonda Hutton, OD. Motion carried 5-0.
3. Dr Newland motioned and Dr Sparks seconded a motion to approve the trade name of *Family Eyecare Center of Leavenworth East*, 1001 6<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 100, Leavenworth for Jonathan Reddell, OD and Ashley Reddell, OD Motion carried 5-0.
4. Dr Sparks motioned and Dr Newland seconded a motion to approve the trade name of *Verity Vision*, 1905 E 17<sup>th</sup> Ave, Suite 700, Hutchinson KS for Alisa Nola, OD. Motion carried 4-0 with Dr Hansen abstaining.
5. Dr Lozada motioned and Dr Hansen seconded a motion to not approve the trade name of *Professional Eyecare OP*, 11121 W 95<sup>th</sup> St, Overland Park, KS citing it could cause confusion for the public with other practices. Motion carried 5-0.
6. The Board discussed the complaint by Heide Reiling, OD on the confusion between her practice of Blue Valley Eyecare and Blue Valley Vision. The Board took no action.

B. Reciprocity

1. Dr Sparks motioned and Dr Newland seconded a motion to approve the reciprocity of Jamie Johnson, OD. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Ms Murray discussed the budget

- D. The Board discussed the request from Michael Pharris, OD for an exception of an applicant to take the annual exam now instead of next July. The Board did not grant his request.

- E. Ms Murray discussed the new online forms for both complaints and trade names. The Board told her to go ahead and post the new forms on the Board's website.

X. *Comments from the Public*

- A. Mr Fleischer discussed TTD Eye and the upcoming legislature session.

XI. *Next Meeting*

The next meeting of the Kansas Board of Examiners in Optometry will be Friday, January 8, 2021 at 1:00 pm. Location TBD

XII. *Adjournment*

Dr Lozada motioned and Dr Newland seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. The Board adjourned at 4:45 pm.