

KANSAS BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY
Minutes of the October 18, 2023 Meeting

- I. 1:02 pm called to order by Dawn Bircher, OD Board President. Members of the Board present were Drs Gerard Lozada and Carisa De Anda. Dr. Sheena Nagaraja joined the meeting remotely at the beginning and later attended in person. Also, in attendance were Tim Resner, Board Counsel and Jan Murray, Executive Officer. Members of the public in attendance were Todd Fleischer, KOA Representative, Robert Sullivan, OD and Laurie Thomsson, OD.
- II. Hearings on Proposed Administrative Regulations
 - A. K.A.R. 65-4-4 Notice to the Board
 - B. K.A.R. 65-5-4 Approved Schools

Hearings concluded at 1:21 pm

- III. The agenda was approved by consensus.
- IV. Review and Approval of the minutes of last meetings:
 - A. Motion (Lozada/De Anda/Unanimous): That the July 21-22, 2023, minutes be approved.
 - B. Motion (Lozada/De Anda/Unanimous): That the September 6, 2023, minutes be approved.
- V. Reciprocities:
 - A. Motion (Lozada/De Anda/Unanimous): That the reciprocity of Robert Sullivan, OD 2024-06 be approved.
 - B. Laurie Thompson, OD 2024-07 application for reciprocity was tabled until later in the meeting.
- VI. Motion (De Anda/Lozada/2-0): That the stipulation and final order for Jordan Gwaltney be approved. Dr Bircher abstained, and Dr Nagaraja was not present.

Motion (Nagaraja/Lozada/Unanimous) to go into a closed session for 10 minutes.

The Board adjourned into closed session at 2:00 pm.

The Board reconvened at 2:00 pm.

Reciprocities (cont.)

- B. Motion (Nagaraja/Lozada/Unanimous): That the reciprocity application of Laurie Thompson, OD 2024-07 be approved.
- VII. Report of the President
 - A. No report
- VIII. Report of the Vice-President

- A. No Report
- IX. Report of the Secretary-Treasurer
 - A. Motion (De Anda/Lozada/Unanimous): To approve the updated complaint form.
 - B. Dr Lozada gave a report on cheating schemes.
- X. Report of the Public Member
 - A. No Report
- XI. Report of the Executive Officer
 - A. Trade Names
 - 1. Motion (De Anda/Nagaraja/Unanimous): to approve the additional practice location for Charles Heath Holland, OD and Jeannett L Holland, OD for the trade name of *Holland Eye Clinic*, 15330 Wolf Creek Parkway, Suite 300, Basehor, KS .
 - 2. Motion (Bircher/De Anda/Unanimous): to delegate authority to the executive officer to approve corporate names for Secretary of State that are not practice name and issue certificates of good standing.
 - Action Item: Assign Board member and Mr. Resner to provide conditional approval on trade names until the next Board meeting.
 - B. Motion (Lozada/De Anda/Unanimous): to approve updates to the following forms:
 - 1. Reciprocity Application
 - 2. Exam Application
 - 3. Trade Name Application
 - 4. Certificate of Good Standing
 - 5. Trade Name Transfer
 - 6. Non-COPE CE Application
 - C. 2024 Exam Dates: July 12-13, 2024
 - D. Motion (Bircher/Lozada/Unanimous): To approve the Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP).
 - E. K.A.R. 65-5-14 Biennial Renewal hearing date: January 3, 2024 at 1:00 pm.
 - F. Ms. Murray discussed the call log she had been keeping.
- XII. Regulation Update
 - A. 65-5-6 Continuing Education – tabled
 - B. Telemedicine – tabled
 - C. Motion (Lozada/Bircher/Unanimous): To approve Ms. Murray to begin the regulation approval process for Active Practice regulation.
- XIII. Comments from the Public
 - A. Mr. Fleisher addressed the board.
- XIV. Report of the Legal Counsel
 - A. Mr. Resner gave the Board a legal update.

XV. Executive Session:

- A. Dr Bircher motioned to adjourn into executive session, the reason being to consultation with the Board's counsel which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship, returning into open session at 4:00 pm. The motion was seconded by Dr De Anda. Motion carried 4-0

The Board adjourned into executive session at 3:40 pm.

The Board reconvened at 4:00 pm.

XVI. Adjournment: (Lozada/De Anda/Unanimous).

The Board adjourned at 4:04 pm.