

AGENDA

CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR OPTOMETRISTS

Wednesday, November 28, 2012

9:00 AM

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut
Third Floor – Hearing Room**

CALL TO ORDER

I. MINUTES

Review and approval of the minutes of the September 19, 2012 meeting.

II. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH

III. OLD BUSINESS

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Scheduled meeting dates for 2013

V. OFFICE OF LICENSURE REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE

VI. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

ADJOURN

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

A meeting of the **Connecticut Board of Examiners for Optometrists** was held on **September 19, 2012** at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, in the third floor hearing room.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Blondin, OD, Chairman
Lawrence Lefland, OD
Joseph Pavano, III, OD
Regina A. Strand, O.D

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Jason Van Stone
Henry W. Siegrist.

Dr. Malkin called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

I. Minutes

The minutes from the May 16, 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved.

II. Department of Public Health Updates

Continuing Education

The Board had discussion with Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigations. Ms. Filippone provided a synopsis regarding the statutory change that is necessary to allow the Board to approve continuing education courses. A statutory change is being sought to clarify continuing education requirements. The current draft regulations have not proceeded pending clarification of the current statutes.

Board Certification

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Practitioner Licensing and Investigations state that no new level of licensure will be developed should an individual attain "Board Certification."

A practitioner can append their marketing material indicating "Board Certification" provided they follow American Board of Optometry (ABO) guidelines.

Investigations Update

Gary Griffin, Department of Public Health, Practitioner Investigations Unit reported there are two cases involving optometrists being investigated by the DPH. Two additional cases have been referred to the Department's legal office for further review.

III. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew Blondin, OD, Chairman
Connecticut Board of Examiners for Optometrists