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Subject: Agenda Item 12 – Update on RDO Advisory Committee

During the May 2016 Board meeting, the Board provided input on the Dispensing Optician Committee (DOC) Interest Form, process and distribution methods.

The approved form was emailed to interested parties encouraging highly qualified candidates to apply. Board Members were also encouraged to use their various public outreach networks to distribute the form and solicit interest. Board staff hand delivered the form, accompanied with a letter from the Board President, to members of the legislature and the Governor's Appointments Office. In addition, the letter and form was mailed to all registered dispensing opticians, spectacle lens dispensers, and contact lens dispensers.

The application deadline was August 12, 2016. The Board received 30 applications from dispensers. However, no applications were received from the public. Therefore, the application deadline will be extended to allow more time for public member recruitment.

The Appointments Committee is developing an in depth public outreach strategy to recruit business professionals interested in serving state government. This will include reaching out to the Governor's Appointments Office for additional assistance to identify public individuals who may be interested in using the DOC as a potential stepping stone for a DCA board position in the future.