



MEETING MINUTES

January 21, 2010

California State Board of Optometry
Junipero Serra Building
320 W. 4th Street
7th Floor Conference Room
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Members Present

Lee Goldstein, OD, MPA
Board President
Alejandro Arredondo, OD
Board Vice President
Kenneth Lawenda, OD
Edward Rendon, Public Member
Katrina Semmes, Public Member
Susy Yu, OD, MBA, FFAO

Staff Present

Mona Maggio, Executive Officer
Margie McGavin, Enforcement Manager
Michael Santiago, Staff Counsel

Guest List

On File

Members Absent

Monica Johnson, Public Member
Fred Naranjo, Public Member

FULL BOARD OPEN SESSION

I. Call to Order – Establishment of a Quorum

Board President, Lee Goldstein, OD called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Dr. Goldstein called roll and a quorum was established.

II. Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Goldstein welcomed everyone in attendance. Board members, staff, and members of the audience were invited to introduce themselves.

Mona Maggio announced that Jeff Robinson was recently promoted to a staff services analyst. Mr. Robinson will maintain his current duties and act as the lead analyst in the licensing program. Ms. Maggio informed the Board that staff is drafting the responses to the comments received during the 45 day comment period and at the December 22, 2009 Regulatory Hearing pertaining to the Glaucoma Certification Regulations. The Board will need to meet to review and approve the draft responses and modified text.

III. Petition for Reduction of Penalty and Early Termination of Probation

Deputy Attorney General, Char Sacshon represented the Board and Administrative Law Judge, Vincent H. Nafarrete, presided over the hearing as the Board heard the following petitions in open session: .

- A. Sharon Samski, OD, License Number 9351, represented herself.
- B. Frederick Huizar, OD, License Number 9650, represented himself.
- C. James Mitchell, OD, License Number 5093, represented by Greg A. Meyer, Attorney at Law.

IV. Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

No public comment was received.

FULL BOARD CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11126 (c)(3), the Board convened to close session to deliberate on the following disciplinary decisions:

V. Petition for Reduction of Penalty and Early Termination of Probation

- A. Sharon Samski, O.D., License Number 9351
- B. Frederick Huizar, O.D., License Number 9650
- C. James Mitchell, O.D., License Number 5093

VI. Proposed Decision in the Matter of the Accusation Against Mohammed Alexander Bonakdar, O.D., License Number 9763

VII. Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, Ben E. Lu, O.D., License Number 11014

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VIII. Adjournment

Dr. Alejandro Arredondo moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Kenneth Lawenda seconded. The Board voted unanimous (6-0) to pass the motion.

Member	Aye	No	Abstention
Dr. Goldstein	X		
Dr. Yu	X		
Dr. Arredondo	X		
Dr. Lawenda	X		
Mr. Rendon	X		
Ms. Semmes	X		

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.