



OREGON BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

October 16, 2020 Board Meeting – Special Meeting held via Skype for Business

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

Board Members Present: Derek Louie, OD, President
Lauren Hunt, OD, Vice-President
Douglas Walker, OD
Ami Halvorson, OD
Laurie Goolsby, Public Member

Board Staff: Shelley Sneed, Executive Director
Melissa Auman, Administrative Coordinator

Board Legal Counsel: Lori Lindley, Assistant Attorney General

Others in Attendance via Skype: Dr. Joseph Neron

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Louie called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. The meeting was held via Skype for Business due to COVID-19. The purpose of the meeting was to get Board approval of permanent rule filing regarding Board authority to enforce Governor's Executive Orders.

MINUTES: New Public Member, Laurie Goolsby, introduced herself and gave the Board some background information about herself. Ms. Sneed stated the purpose of the special meeting was to get Board approval of proposed permanent rules granting the Board enforcement authority over Governor's Executive Orders. Temporary rules regarding the matter had expired on September 30, 2020. Ms. Sneed had filed the rule notice and it now needs approval to file permanent rules. Dr. Neron asked how Board business has been since the pandemic started. Ms. Sneed said she has had some calls about folks not wearing masks in practice offices. She had two calls about extending contact lens prescriptions because of COVID and patients not being comfortable going into a practice for an exam. She said none of the inquiries were major issues. Ms. Sneed additionally stated that she had a call from an OD asking if OD's were "essential" workers. She told the Board she will send the inquiry on to the Governor's Office for clarification.

Dr. Louie made a motion to allow Ms. Sneed to file permanent rules. Dr. Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously by oral vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:24 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:

Approved by:

Melissa Auman
Administrative Coordinator

Shelley Sneed
Executive Director