

**South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
Board of Examiners in Optometry
Teleconference Committee Meeting Minutes
September 28, 2021, 12:00 p.m.**

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Michelle Cooper, Chairperson
Dr. Wayne Cannon
Dr. Johndra McNeely
Dr. Philip Flynn
Dr. Michael Zolman

SCLLR STAFF PRESENT

Kyle Tennis, Office of Advice Counsel
Meredith Buttler, Administrator
Jacquelyn White, Program Coordinator

ALSO PRESENT

Melissa Blackwell, Court Reporter
Jackie Rivers, SCOPA

CALL TO ORDER: Dr. Cooper called the meeting to order at 12:02 P.M.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: To approve the agenda.
Flynn/McNeely/approved.

INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OTHERS

All Committee members, Board staff and public members identified themselves.

REGULATIONS FOR OPTOMETRIC FACILITIES: PROMULGATION OF REGULATIONS

Mr. Tennis and Ms. Buttler presented the draft regulations for the Committee's review based upon the statutory allowances of the Board's Practice Act. Mr. Tennis reviewed the statutory authority to clarify for the Committee the scope of regulations regarding optometrists' offices. Dr. Cooper requested a section specifying basic optometric equipment be included. Dr. Zolman and Dr. Cooper requested further revisions to the wording pertaining to items to be included in patient records. Following further discussion, the Committee members agreed to send recommended revisions to Ms. Buttler who will compile the revision for the next Committee meeting.

Additionally, Dr. Cooper and Dr. Cannon provided that they would appear on behalf of the Board if testimony was necessary during the regulatory promulgation process.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn.
Cannon/Zolman/approved.

The SC Board of Examiners in Optometry Committee meeting adjourned at 12:52 P.M.