



CONFERENCE CALL MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

Nebraska State Office Building
Licensure Unit Conference Room 1
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, NE 68509

REVISED as of 7/8/2020

Monday Friday
July 10, 2020
2:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held by telephone conference. The Board Members will be calling in from the following addresses and the public is welcome to attend any Open Session discussion at the State Office Building (if attending at the State Office Building - Public will need to stop at the main receptionist desk for a visitor's badge and have them call our office at (402) 471-2118 and at any of the locations listed below. Due to the coronavirus threat this conference call meeting will be held by WEBEX. Call in information will be provided prior to July 7, 2020. We are requesting the public to attend this meeting via WEBEX rather than visiting one of the open meeting locations. If you wish to attend the meeting by WEBEX please let Vonda Apking know by July 6, 2020 via email at Vonda.apking@nebraska.gov so she can provide you with a WEBEX invitation.

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1. Roll Call & Announcement: *A current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available in the meeting room.*
2. Review of Agenda
3. **approximately 2:05 pm** - Investigational Reports – **CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-1,105** (*The Board will go into closed session for the purpose of review and discussion of investigative reports, licensure applications, and other confidential information, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals.*)
4. Disciplinary Reports – **CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §38-1,105**
 - A. Proposed Orders/Agreed Settlements
 - B. Proposed Assurance of Compliance
 - C. Compliance Monitoring Report
 - D. 1st Quarter Report – Attorney General's Office
5. Application Review – **CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §84-1410**
6. **approximately 2:20 pm** - Approval of Minutes – July 26, 2019 and February 21, 2020 – **OPEN SESSION**
7. Application Review
8. Board Recommendations on Applications for Licensure or Registration
9. New Board Member Introduction and Explanation of Board Member Responsibilities
10. Discussion on COVID-19 Issues
11. Regulations Update
12. Discussion on Continuing Education Approval Process and Changing the Definition of Live Continuing Education
13. Draft Letter on the Use of MKO Melt®
14. **Approval of Draft Letters or Board Correspondence from Past Meetings**
15. Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry – Annual Meeting Report
16. Adjournment

All items known at time of distribution of this agenda are listed; a current agenda is available in the office of the Licensure Unit, Third Floor, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Notice: A tape recording of the meeting will be made for the purpose of preparing minutes of the meeting. Said tape will not be transcribed but will be available to the public until such time that the minutes of this meeting are approved by the Board. In accordance with the records retention schedule of the Licensure Unit as authorized by Nebraska Statute, the Division may dispose of the tapes ten (10) days after the meeting; however, staff shall retain the tapes until the Board has approved the minutes.

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at a meeting, please call Vonda Apking with the Licensure Unit at 402/471-2118 (voice); or for persons with hearing impairments, please call the Director of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health at 402/471-9570 (TDD) or Nebraska Relay System at 800/833-7352 (TDD) prior to the meeting date. Advance notice of seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.