

Minutes
Arkansas State Board of Optometry
Office of the Attorney General
Little Rock, AR

March 15, 2007

Dr. Morris opened the meeting with all Board members present, Howard Flippin, Executive Director, Ann Booker, Board secretary, and Bill Trice Board Attorney present. The audience included Dr. Ashabranner, Dr. McWaters, Phil Kaplin, Dr. Richard Presley, Dr. Lawson, and Jennifer Martinez.

Dr. Smalling made a motion to accept the surrender of license by Dr. Carla Ericksen. Dr. Coffee made a second and the motion passed.

Dr. McWaters and Dr. Ashabranner continue to be in compliance with the Medical Foundation contracts. They will be present at the next Board meeting.

Dr. Coffee made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Dr. Smalling made a second. The motion passed.

Dr. Morris turned the meeting over to Mr. Trice for the purpose of a Hearing on Dr. Richard Presley of Success Vision. The Hearing was to be continued and Dr. Morris re-opened the Board meeting.

Dr. Hubbard made a motion to dismiss the charges against Dr. Presley. Dr. Coffee Made a second and the motion passed.

Dr. Flippin discussed the doctors who have completed the process to become licensed since the last test and the doctors who have applied to take the exam in July. He also discussed questions concerning Federal Jurisdiction and state branch office license. Mr. Trice is to investigate Federal branch office exemptions.

Dr. Flippin presented the SECO ARBO meeting report and Dr. Smalling gave the SWCO meeting ARBO report. Dr. Smalling discussed the National ARBO meeting and updated the Board concerning ABOP. Medicare allows increased reimbursement for Board Certified doctors.

Dr. Coffee made a motion to pay for one day travel and expenses for the JP Course by the Board at the State Association educational meeting. Dr. Hubbard made a second and the motion passed.

Dr. Coffee made a motion to pay for travel and expenses of Board members who attend the Boston ARBO national meeting. Dr. Smalling made a second and the motion passed.

Dr. Coffee made a motion the Board be paid for one days travel and expenses.

Dr. Morris adjourned the meeting.

Dr. Dale Morris, President

Dr. Kenneth Hubbard, Jr., Secretary