

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

October 8, 2009

Dr. Morris opened the meeting with all Board members present. Howard Flippin, Executive Director, Ann Booker, Board secretary, and Bill Trice Board Attorney were also present. Dr. Bradley Diner, Vicki Farmer, Dr. Lawson, Paul Charton, Jillian Thayer, Marlin Freeman, Dr. Tim Norton, Fred Davis, and Dr. Allison Hall were in the audience.

Dr. Hubbard made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as printed; Dr. Smalling made a second and the motion passed.

Mr. Trice opened and closed public hearings on three separate rule changes.

Dr. Coffee made a motion adopt the rule concerning oral steroids as written; Mr. Spears made a second and the motion passed.

Dr. Coffee made a motion adopt the rule concerning applications for examinations as written; Mr. Spears made a second and the motion passed.

Dr. Coffee made a motion adopt the rule concerning emergency situations as written; Mr. Spears made a second and the motion passed.

Dr. Ashabranner and Dr. Norton were in compliance with the Medical Foundation. Dr. McWaters was not present and his license remains suspended. Dr. Norton, Dr. Ashabranner and Dr. McKenzie are to be present at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Shirley gave the Board an accounting update of the Board office. Dr. Flippin updated the Board on newly licensed doctors. The mobile branch office license and Board Certification were discussed..

Dr. Smalling made a motion the Board send a letter to Medicaid requesting the reinstatement of needed antibiotics to treat corneal ulcerations.

The Board reviewed complaints. None were acted upon by the Board.

Dr. Coffee made a motion the Board be paid one-day expenses and travel for the Board meeting. Dr. Smalling made a second and the motion passed.

Dr. Morris adjourned the meeting.

Dr. Dale Morris, President

Dr. Kenneth Hubbard, Jr., Secretary

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

BOARD MEETING

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SIGN IN SHEET

Walter Fred Davis

Marlin D. Freeman

Bradley Dineen

Dr Bradley Dineen

Jillian Thayer

Paul Charton

Dr Lawson

Allison Heel

Vicki Farmer

