Meeting Minutes IOWA BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

October 4, 2012 Lucas State Office Building, 5th Floor Conference Room #526 Des Moines, Iowa

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 10:09am by Barb Washburn, Chair.

Roll Call:

Members Present:

Sharon Tharp, OD; Barb Washburn, OD; Charles Follett, Public Member; Richard Jacobson, OD; Scott Ihrke, OD; Michael Portz, OD

Absent

Carolyn Warkentin, Public Member

Staff Present:

Judy Manning, Board Executive; Julie Bussanmas, AAG; Barb Huey, Bureau Chief; Barb Christiansen, Administrative Assistant

Guests Present:

Tess Young, Iowa Academy of Ophthalmology and Gary Ellis, Iowa Optometric Association

Review Agenda:

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Jacobson to approve the minutes of July 12, 2012 with corrections. A second was received from Portz. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

Public Comment:

Gary Ellis provided a handout from U.S. HHS Secretary to the members of congress. This letter states that States have the authority to determine their scope of practice.

Reports:

Chair – No report

Board Executive - Judy gave report of post renewal audit process. 54 optometrists were audited and all have responded except two licensees; 24 were random audits, 10 were board initiated –

those individuals that went from DPA to TPA and were required to have an additional 20 hours of continuing education or those licensees that were disciplined, 15 licensees that renewed in the grace period and 5 licensees that had false audit report from the previous renewal.

Bureau Chief - Barb asked members for an update on how the secure e-mail process is working for them. Barb will have Marvin Firch follow up with those members who are having problems.

AAG – No report

Administrative Rules:

Copies of the administrative rules were distributed for the Board to review and discuss possible changes.

Chapter 180 – remove DPA and diagnostically certified definitions and reciprocal license and change the definition for therapeutically certified to reflect law changes and it will just be optometrist.

Chapter 181, Continuing Education Requirements, was discussed extensively and several changes were recommended. Sharon suggested that the board change requirements to 40 hours in B and C with a minimum of 14 hours in category B, 14 hours in category C, and 12 hours of the licensees choice from B & C for a total of 40 hours. Category C includes mandatory reporter training and CPR. Judy will make changes and present to members for notice at the next meeting.

Complaints:

A motion was made by Tharp to enter into closed session at 11:45am to discuss confidential material related to applications and complaints according to Iowa Code Chapter 21.5(1) a and d. A second was received from Portz. Roll call taken: Tharp – aye; Washburn – aye; Follett – aye; Jacobson – aye; Ihrke – aye; Portz – aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made and seconded to return to open session at 11:55 am. Motion carried.

Follow-up from Closed Session:

Motion was made by Follett to close Case #09-003. A second was received from Jacobson. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

Next meeting:

January 3, 2013

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Follett to adjourn the meeting at 11:59am. A second was received from Washburn. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.