

**Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation**  
**Division of Professional Regulation**  
**Illinois Optometric Licensing and Disciplinary Board**

**Board Meeting**  
**Open Session**

**Date:** July 20, 2017

**Call to Order:** 10:10 a.m.

**Location:** James R. Thompson Center  
100 W. Randolph St.  
9<sup>th</sup> Fl. Rm 9-171C  
Chicago, IL

**Adjournment:** 11:48 a.m.

**Board Members Present:** Janice McMahon O.D., Chairperson  
Charlotte F. Nielsen, O.D., Vice-Chairperson  
P. Douglas Becherer, O.D., Member  
Mark Esarey, O.D., Member  
Mary Lou French, O.D., Member  
Dennis Rabe, O.D., Member  
Valerie Sims-Rucker, Public Member

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff Members Present:** Robert Gerton, Board Liaison  
D. R. Gordon, O.D., Optometric Coordinator  
Mark Thompson, Office of General Counsel

**Guests Present:** Michael Horstman, Consultant  
Leigh Ann Vanausdoll, Illinois Optometric Association  
Executive Director

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>Call to Order</b>	Board Chairperson Janice McMahon, O.D., called the meeting to order at 10:10a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.	The Board thanked Mark Thompson for serving the Board following the Departure of previous General Counsel Milana Lublin.
<b>Minutes Acceptance</b>	The Board and Department Staff reviewed the open session minutes from May 18, 2017.	Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from May 18, 2017 Open Session. Motion carried.
<b>Review of Ocular Therapeutic Agents</b>	A member of the Public had inquired regarding optometric uses of a particular pharmaceutical product. The Board discussed the issue briefly, noting it was labeled, "Not Recommended for Ophthalmic Use".	
<b>Disability License Placards/Plates</b>	Mark Thompson reviewed with the Board Laws and Rules pertaining to who can certify to a qualifying condition for Disability License Placards and Plates and the criterion for such a decision.	
<b>ARBO Annul Meeting Report</b>	Mary Lou French, O.D. reported on the ARBO 2017 Annual Meeting in Washington D.C.	The Board thanked Mary Lou for representing Illinois.
<b>Optometric Coordinator Report</b>	In the interest of time, D.R. Gordon, O.D., deferred to the Illinois Optometric Association for their report.	

<p><b>Legislative Report</b></p>	<p>Leigh Ann Vanausdoll representing the I.O.A. and Mike Horstman as a member of the Task Force, provided a report on the Collaborative Optometric/ Ophthalmological Task Force established in 225 ILCS 80/15.3, and other various legislative and budget issues affecting Illinois Optometrists.</p>	
<p><b>Election of Officers</b></p>	<p>An election was held for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board.</p>	<p>Janice McMahon O.D. was retained as Chairperson. Charlotte Nielsen O.D. was retained as Vice-Chairperson.</p>
<p><b>Adjournment</b></p>		<p>At 11:48 a.m. motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.</p>

