

GUAM BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR OPTOMETRY

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 8:30 AM Guam (ChST)

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MINUTES

Agenda Item		Discussion/Decision		Responsible party	Reporting time frame	Status
I	CALL TO ORDER	Meeting Chaired by Dr. San Nicolas		Chair	0835	Call to Order
II	Roll Call	GBBC <u>Present:</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marlene San Nicolas, O.D., Chairperson <u>Virtually Present:</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Kim, O.D., Vice-Chairperson <input type="checkbox"/> James Anglim, O.D., Secretary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Julian Archer, O.D., Treasurer	Other Attendees: <u>Present:</u> Sharon Manibusan, DPHSS <u>Virtually Present:</u> PeterJohn Camacho, DPHSS	GBEO	0835	Quorum Established
III	Proof of Publication	Reviewed and found to be in conformance with current laws <i>Motion to Approve: Dr. Kim; 2nd: Dr. Archer.</i>			0836	Confirmed
IV	APPROVAL OF AGENDA	<i>Motion to Approve: Dr. Kim; 2nd: Dr. Archer.</i>		GBEO	0836	Unanimously Approved
V	APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Minutes Dated: 4/28/2026 Dr. San Nicolas noted a correction, clarifying that Dr. Charles should be correctly identified as Dr. Charleston. <i>Motion to Approve as Amended: Dr. Kim; 2nd: Dr. Archer.</i>		GBEO	0836	Unanimously Approved as Amended
VI	TREASURER'S REPORT	No report Discussion was held regarding the financial information required for Dr. Archer's report. S. Manibusan clarified that the necessary financial data must be supplied by the HPLO. Dr. Kim and Dr. San Nicolas inquired about the absence of prior financial reports and emphasized the need to review the account balance and determine when the account was established, including the period during which fees had been deposited. S. Manibusan noted that the fiscal year begins in October and that additional information regarding the account's establishment would be obtained from B. Sablan. The Board emphasized that, in fairness to Dr. Archer, a financial		J. Archer	0837	No Report

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		report should be available before the presentation of his report and requested that such reports be prepared on a monthly basis prior to each Board meeting. S. Manibusan agreed to coordinate with B. Sablan and prepare a financial report for the June Board meeting.			
VII	HPLO REPORT	No report	HPLO	0837	No Report
VIII	OLD BUSINESS	A. The practice act revision (TPA) – ongoing discussion No update	GBEO	0840	On-Going, No Update
		B. Rules and regulations proposed revision 2.0 – ongoing discussion No update	GBEO		On-Going, No Update
		C. Complaints:			
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● GBEO-CO-2025-001 S. Manibusan informed the Board she drafted a memorandum regarding the complaint and was awaiting review by B. Sablan. Upon completion of the review, the memorandum would be personally delivered to the AG’s Office for follow-up action on the complaint. 	GBEO		Ongoing, Pending Delivery to AG’s Office
		D. Initial Applications by Endorsement:			
		1. Dean Scott Steinberger The Board discussed concerns regarding the clarity of the licensure application process, particularly as it relates to applications by endorsement. Members noted that the current application checklist may be confusing for applicants and emphasized the need for a consistent understanding among Board members regarding endorsement requirements and the applicable statutory provisions. Discussion centered on the interpretation of the checklist, with members observing that items one through eleven appear to be required for both licensure by examination and licensure by endorsement, while additional items are specifically required for endorsement applicants. The Board reviewed a pending application submitted by Dr. Steinberger and noted that the applicant may have interpreted the checklist as requiring only the endorsement-specific documents. Members agreed that a formal response should be provided to clarify the application requirements and the Board’s interpretation of the checklist. The Board further discussed the need to revise the application materials to improve clarity and reduce confusion for future applicants. It was suggested that separate checklists be created for licensure by examination and licensure by endorsement to	GBEO		Unanimously Tabled

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		<p>clearly distinguish the requirements for each pathway. S. Manibusan indicated that revising the checklist would be a straightforward process and agreed to review previous versions of the application materials for comparison. Additional discussion referenced prior efforts to incorporate a jurisprudence examination into the licensure process as part of proposed statutory changes. Dr. Kim directed S. Manibusan to locate and distribute prior versions of the application and checklist for review and to prepare a response to Dr. Steinberger outlining the requirements necessary to complete his application.</p> <p><i>Motion to Table: Dr. San Nicolas.</i></p>			
IX	NEW BUSINESS	<p>A. Clinic Inspection: The Board discussed the status of ongoing clinic inspections, with D. San Nicolas advising that all inspections should be completed before findings are discussed. Members agreed that inspection results should not be shared until the inspection process is finalized and a collective review has been conducted. Discussion also focused on whether inspection findings constitute a matter of public interest and whether any corrective actions identified through the inspections would need to be addressed during a public meeting. Members expressed the importance of ensuring compliance with confidentiality requirements while also considering transparency obligations.</p> <p>The Board reviewed the extent to which inspection information could be publicly disclosed and considered practices used by other professional licensing boards when reporting inspection activities. S. Manibusan suggested that, at a minimum, the Board could report which clinics had been inspected and identify any inspections that remained pending without discussing specific findings or outcomes. S. Manibusan agreed to verify the reporting practices of other regulatory boards and determine what information may appropriately be disclosed. As the clinic inspection process remains ongoing, the Board agreed to table further discussion of inspection findings until all inspections have been completed and additional guidance regarding public disclosure has been obtained.</p> <p><i>Motion to Table: M. San Nicolas.</i></p>	GBEO	0851	Unanimously Tabled
		<p>1. Vision Express Dr. Kim and Dr. Archer inspected one of two doctors, one doctor still pending inspection.</p>	GBEO		Pending Inspection of One Doctor
		<p>2. Ideal Optical Dr. Kim and Dr. Archer finished the inspection.</p>			Finished Inspection

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		3. FHP Vision Center Pending inspection			Pending Inspection
		4. Guam Seventh Day Adventist Clinic Pending inspection			Pending Inspection
		5. St. Lucy's Eye Clinic Dr. San Nicolas and Dr. Anglim finished the inspection.			Finished Inspection
		6. Advanced Eyecare LLC dba Lombard Health Pending inspection			Pending Inspection
		7. 20/20 Vision Center Dr. San Nicolas and Dr. Anglim finished the inspection.			Finished Inspection
		8. Island Eye Center Pending inspection			Pending Inspection
		9. Garcia Optical Pending inspection			Pending Inspection
		10. Agahan Optical ITC Eye Center Pending inspection			Pending Inspection
X	NEXT BOARD MEETING	Next Scheduled Meeting: June 30, 2026	GBEO	0903	Set Date
XI	ADJOURNMENT	<i>Motion to Adjourn: Dr. Kim; 2nd: Dr. Archer.</i>	GBEO	0903	Adjourned

Minutes Drafted by: FLAME TREE Freedom Center, Inc.

Date Submitted:

Submitted by the GBBC Secretary:

Date: 6/30/26

Approved by the GBBC with or without changes:

Date: 6/30/26

Certified by or Attested by the Chairperson:

Date: 6/30/26