GUAM BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR OPTOMETRY

Health Professional Licensing Office Board Conference Room Terlaje Professional Bldg., 2nd Flr., Ste. 209, Hernan Cortez Ave., Hagatna, Guam 96910

REGULAR SESSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, June 25, 2019

- I. Meeting Called to Order: 08:40am
 - a. Roll Call:
 - i. Marlene San Nicholas, Chair
 - ii. Kristina Woesner, Vice-Chair
 - iii. Jay McDonald, Member
 - iv. Rob Weinberg, AG Representative
 - v. HPLO Administrator Representative Myrna Leon Guerrero
 - vi. NOTE: Quorum Confirmed
 - b. Other Meeting Attendees:
 - i. John Kim, applicant

II. Confirmation of Public Notice:

a. Confirmation of Public Notice (5-day & 2-day): 18 June 2019 & 21 June 2019

III. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

- a. Approved May 28, 2019 Minutes subject to noted corrections:
 - i. Strike from the record that the Board will submit recommendations to Weinberg for changes to the law. (JM)
 - ii. Add to the record Weinberg's recommendation that individual optometrists should independently propose recommendations for changes to the law. (JM)
 - iii. Moved to approve minutes subject to corrections (JM); Motion was seconded (KW). No objections.

IV. HPLO Administrator's Report (Appendix A)

V. Old Business

- a. The Practice Act Revision (TPA) On-going discussion
 - i. Reviewed Rules and Regs Proposed Revisions Version 2.0
 - ii. Reviewed Medical Practice Act Revisions Version 2.0
 - iii. Individual optometrists have opportunity for input for changes to the law either through the Board or directly through the Attorney General's Office (AGO).
 - iv. What direction does Board want for Guam for licensing requirements as the Board reviews changes in licensing requirements throughout the 50 States which are requiring National Boards of Examiners for Optometry (NBEO) I, II, III, and Treatment and Management of Ocular Disease (TMOD), followed by the Law Test with an online option for the Law Test.
 - v. Endorsement category of licensing may present issues if State's Licensing does not match with Guam law, resulting in restricted areas of practice.
- **b.** Rules & Regulations

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- i. Relevant States' fee schedules should be considered in Board's review of Guam's fee schedule changes; albeit Board can only make recommendations for consideration.
- ii. JM presented a printed working document with noted recommended changes to the Rules & Regulations (Appendix B).
- iii. More specific language should be considered regarding Continuing Education (C.E.) requirements so that credits cannot be used more than once toward the C.E. 18-credit birmial requirement. Agreed to refer question to the AGO.
- iv. Agreed that no changes to the Rules & Regulations could be made that would contradict the law.
- v. After discussion on fee schedules across States, agreed to inquire of HPLO Administrator what her recommendations are and on what they are based.

VI. New Business

- a. Applicant: John Kim Application for License by Endorsement:
 - i. Application was approved; however,
 - 1. Noted that applicant did not submit a birth certificate
 - a. Noted applicant submitted his statement of his U.S. Citizenship which was notarized.
 - **b.** Noted that Kim's notarized statement of his U.S. citizenship did not constitute an affidavit of the same.

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- ii. Noted the Applicant brought to the Board's attention that there is a discrepancy between the application list of requirements and the checklist of requirements.
- iii. Noted Mr. Kim's practicum is scheduled for Tuesday, 02 July 2019, at 6:30 p.m. at the FHP Vision Center in the Baltej Building.

VII. Other Business

a. HPLO Administrator Representative reported that she is in contact with someone who is interested in becoming a Board member. She will follow up via email.

VIII. Date/Place of Next Meeting

a. Scheduled next board meeting for Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

IX. Adjournment

a. Motion to adjourn approved by acclamation at 9:45 a.m.

Approved by: ___

Marlene San Nicolas, O.D.

Chairperson