



South Dakota Board of Examiners in Optometry

Virtual Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2023

6:00PM (CST)

Approved 8/28/2023

Board Members		Board Staff Present
Angela Hase, OD, President	Present	Deni Martin, Executive Secretary Megan Borchert, Legal Counsel
Scott Schirber, OD, Vice President	Absent	
Ashley Crouch, OD	Present	Public Attendance
Brian Gill, OD	Present	
Jamie Farnen, Consumer Member	Present	
		Deb Mortenson, South Dakota Optometric Society Jennifer Stalley, South Dakota Optometry Society

* A call-in number and physical location were noticed as available for public access to listen to and participate in the meeting.

1. Attendance: President Hase called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM on August 8, 2023.

2. Approval of Agenda

Board Action: A Crouch moved to approve the agenda, seconded by J Farnen. Roll call vote:

Crouch	YES	Hase	YES
Farnen	YES	Schirber	ABSENT
Gill	YES	4 YES, MOTION CARRIED	

3. Conflict of Interest: No conflict of interest reported.

4. New Business: Statute Review

The board reviewed SDCL 36-7-15 with section 2 amended to provide the Board explicit authority for inspections and to develop rules to regulate the provision of telehealth services. B Gill moved to begin the legislative process to amend 36-7-15, seconded by A Crouch. Roll call vote:

Crouch	YES	Hase	YES
Farnen	YES	Schirber	ABSENT
Gill	YES	4 YES, MOTION CARRIED	

Discussion was had that the Board intended to share the draft with stakeholders for additional input to get it submitted to the SD Department of Health ahead of the August 15 deadline.

5. Public Comment: Jennifer Stalley commented on behalf of SDOS. She thanked Megan Borchert talking through issues with them in earlier drafts. Since the SDOS board has not met regarding this specific statute, she was not able to give an official stance of their board, but she appreciates the work Megan put into moving this draft to this stage. They would like to wait to see what the SD Department of Health (DOH) says and what this board decides to do. Deb Mortenson concurred with Jennifer's statements via the Zoom chat as her audio was not working to be able to verbalize comment.

6. Time and Place of Next Meeting:

IN-PERSON MEETING:

Date: Monday, August 28, 2023

Time: 8:00AM (CST)

Location: AmericInn- Conference Room, 312 Island Drive, Fort Pierre, SD 57532

7. Adjournment:

Board Action: At 6:10pm, J Farmen moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by A Crouch. Roll call vote:

Crouch	YES	Hase	YES
Farmen	YES	Schirber	ABSENT
Gill	YES	4 YES, MOTION CARRIED	