VIRGINIA BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
BOARD ROOM 2
HENRICO, VA
October 19, 2017

CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of a Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Virginia Board of Optometry ("Board") was convened on October 19, 2017, at 3:11 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2nd Floor Conference Center, Board Room 2, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia 23233.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steven A. Linas, O.D., Chairperson
Fred E. Goldberg, O.D.

STAFF PRESENT:

Amanda E. M. Blount, Deputy Executive Director
Terri H. Behr, Discipline/Compliance Specialist
Emily E. Tatum, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER SCHEDULED:

Mark David Rodammer, O.D.
License No.: 0618-001308
Case No.: 177394

Discussion:

Dr. Rodammer appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated September 13, 2017, to inquire into allegations that he may have violated certain laws and regulations governing optometry practice in Virginia. Dr. Rodammer was not represented by legal counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the Notice with Dr. Rodammer.

Closed Session:

Dr. Goldberg moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Mark David Rodammer, O.D.** Additionally, Dr. Goldberg moved that Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because her presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Reconvene:

Dr. Goldberg moved that the Committee certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters

as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Committee reconvened in open session pursuant to § 2.2-3712(D) of the Code.

DECISION
Case No. 177394:

Ms. Blount read the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law made by the Committee. Ms. Blount also reported that the Committee voted to require Dr. Rodammer to provide verification to the Board that he had completed 16 hours of continuing education ("CE") in optometry by January 1, 2018, to apply to the CE deficit for 2015.

Upon a motion by Dr. Goldberg and duly seconded by Dr. Linas, the Committee voted to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and decision as read by Ms. Blount.

ADJOURNMENT:

The hearing adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Steven A. Linas, O.D., Chairperson

Amanda E. M. Blount, Deputy Executive Director

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CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of a Special Conference Committee ("Committee") of the Virginia Board of Optometry ("Board") was convened on October 19, 2017, at 4:00 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 2nd Floor Conference Center, Board Room 2, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia 23233.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fred E. Goldberg, O.D., Chairperson
Steven A. Linas, O.D.

STAFF PRESENT:

Amanda E. M. Blount, Deputy Executive Director
Terri H. Behr, Discipline/Compliance Specialist
Emily E. Tatum, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER SCHEDULED:

Glenn Patrick Allouche, O.D.
License No.: 0618-001275
Case No.: 177701

Discussion:

Dr. Allouche appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of Informal Conference dated September 13, 2017, to inquire into allegations that he may have violated certain laws and regulations governing optometry practice in Virginia. Dr. Allouche was not represented by legal counsel. The Committee fully discussed the allegations contained in the Notice with Dr. Allouche.

Closed Session:

Dr. Linas moved that the Committee convene a closed meeting pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the Code for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding **Glenn Patrick Allouche, O.D.** Additionally, Dr. Linas moved that Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because her presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Reconvene:

Dr. Linas moved that the Committee certify that it

heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Committee reconvened in open session pursuant to § 2.2-3712(D) of the Code.

DECISION
Case No. 177701:

Ms. Blount read the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law made by the Committee. Ms. Blount also reported that the Committee voted to have 6 of the 26 hours of continuing education ("CE") Dr. Allouche completed in 2016 applied to the CE deficit for 2015, and to require Dr. Allouche to provide verification to the Board that he has completed 10 hours of CE in optometry by January 1, 2018, for the remaining CE deficit for 2015.

Upon a motion by Dr. Linas and duly seconded by Dr. Goldberg, the Committee voted to accept the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and decision as read by Ms. Blount.

ADJOURNMENT:

The hearing adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Fred E. Goldberg, O.D., Chairperson

Leslie R Knachel for Amanda Blount

Amanda E. M. Blount, Deputy Executive Director