

**BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 5, 2019**

TIME AND PLACE: The Professional Designation, (PD) Committee meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. at the Westerre Conference Center, 3931 Westerre Parkway, Room 118, Henrico, VA 23233

PRESIDING OFFICER: Devon Cabot, Citizen Member

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Fred E. Goldberg, O.D.

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: No other members were present.

STAFF PRESENT: Barbara Allison-Bryan, M.D., Chief Deputy Director
Leslie L. Knachel, Executive Director
Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst
Anthony C. Morales, Operations Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: Bruce Keeney, Virginia Optometric Association, (VOA)
Mark Hickman, Commonwealth Strategy Group, (CSG)/Virginia Society of Eye Physicians and Surgeons, (VSEPS)

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was presented.

DISCUSSION: **Professional Designations**

Ms. Yeatts reviewed the current regulations pertaining to professional designations found in 18VAC105-20-50. She pointed out that many of the requirements are found in other sections of the Code of Virginia or regulations pertaining to the practice of optometry. In addition, she pointed out that the Code of Virginia does not specifically authorize the Board to register professional designations.

The Committee discussed the issue.

Dr. Goldberg moved to strike from the Regulations of the Virginia Board of Optometry section 18VAC105-20-50. Professional Designations and related Professional Designation fees found in 18VAC105-20-20.

The motion was seconded and carried.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 9:28 a.m.



Devon Cabot, Chair
Board Member

11-8-19

Date



Leslie L. Knachel, M.P.H.
Executive Director

11/13/2019

Date