## VIRGINIA BOARD OF OPTOMETRY SPECIAL SESSION – TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL **MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 15, 2017** 

CALL TO ORDER: Pursuant to § 54.1-2408.1(A) of the Code of Virginia, a

telephone conference call of the Virginia Board of Optometry was held on February 15, 2017, at 2:05 p.m., at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, VA 23233, to

consider a possible summary suspension.

**PRESIDING:** Steven A. Linas, O.D., Chair

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Fred E. Goldberg, O.D.

Clifford A. Roffis, O.D. Lisa G. Wallace-Davis, O.D.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Devon B. Cabot

Helene Clayton-Jeter, O.D.

With four members present, a quorum was established. **QUORUM:** 

STAFF PRESENT: Leslie L. Knachel, Executive Director

> Amanda E. M. Blount, Deputy Executive Director Terri H. Behr, Discipline/Compliance Specialist Amy E. Weiss, Administrative Proceedings Division

OTHERS PRESENT: Charis A. Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board

Counsel

James E. Schliessmann, Senior Assistant Attorney General

**POLL OF MEMBERS:** The Board members were polled as to whether they were

able to attend a regular meeting at the offices of the Board in a timely manner for the purpose of hearing evidence for a possible summary suspension. The majority of Board members stated that they would not have been able to

attend

Joseph Francis Rosana, O.D. License No.: 0618-001577

James E. Schliessmann presented a summary of the Case No. 177304

evidence in this case and responded to questions.

**CLOSED SESSION:** Upon a properly seconded motion by Dr. Wallace-Davis,

the Board voted unanimously to convene a closed meeting

pursuant to § 2.2-3711(A)(37) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter regarding Case No. 177304. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Mitchell, Ms. Knachel, and Ms. Blount attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations

**RECONVENE:** 

Dr. Wallace-Davis moved that the Board 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 unanimously passed.

**DECISION:** 

Dr. Wallace-Davis moved that the Board summarily suspend Dr. Rosana's license to practice optometry in the Commonwealth of Virginia and schedule him for a formal hearing; and to offer a consent order for the indefinite suspension of not less than one year in lieu of proceeding with a formal hearing. Following a second for the motion, a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 

With all business concluded, the Board adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

Steven A. Linas, O.D., Chair

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