

STATE OF NEVADA



Board of Dispensing Opticians

Minutes of Public Meeting: August 26, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Jennifer Letten, President
Jennifer Seymour, Vice President
Maria Landin, Secretary
Priscilla Acosta, Treasurer

Board Staff Present:

Corinne Sedran, Executive Director
Colleen Platt, Board Counsel

Please note: Prior to the commencement of this meeting, the Board was advised by counsel that due to the State online systems, including the Board's website, being down, discussion and or/action on agenda items that are not time-sensitive or otherwise strictly necessary should be postponed to a later meeting. Therefore, items 4, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 11 were removed from the agenda.

1. Call to order

Board President Jennifer Letten called the meeting to order and called roll at 5:01 pm. Board Treasurer Priscilla Acosta and Board Member Cristobal Esparza were unable to attend.

2. Public comment

Mr. Jim Morris stated he was attending the meeting on behalf of the ABO/NCLE and was available to answer any questions related to exams or pass rates.

3. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Approval of previous board meeting minutes
June 12, 2025 Board Meeting

Motion: Ms. Seymour moved to approve the minutes as presented.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

4. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Confirmation of newly licensed Dispensing Opticians

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| a. 845 Kady Guzman | d. 848 Stephanie Farias |
| b. 846 Matthew Keesler | e. 849 Shayla Alvarez |
| c. 847 Manuel Macias | f. 850 Briceiry Arteaga |

Item removed from agenda.

5. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion and decision on which applicants are eligible for waivers pursuant to NRS 637.200(2), and (3)
Item removed from agenda.

6. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion and decision on applicants for Dispensing Optician License:
 - a. Chang, Ashley
Discussion: Ms. Sedran said the applicant holds a current dispensing optician license from the state of Washington. Nevada law allows the Board to waive the examination requirements for applicants coming from states with equivalent licensing requirements, as determined by the Board. Ms. Letten said the Washington Board currently requires a 6,000-hour apprenticeship. However, prior to that requirement taking effect, and at the time the applicant obtained her Washington license, applicants were required to sit for a state-sponsored licensing exam and obtain the Basic ABO and NCLE certifications. The requirements were therefore very similar to this Board's requirements when it provided its own licensing exam.
Motion: Ms. Letten moved to approve the applicant, then amended her motion to clarify that the applicant's exam requirements would be waived, but her application would still require an in-office review.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Nguyen, Phi
Discussion: Ms. Sedran said the applicant had provided a complete resume of his work history. He previously held a Nevada dispensing optician license which was issued in September 2015, prior to the Board adopting the ABO and NCLE Advanced and Practical Exams. The license expired in 2017 when the applicant transferred to California. Ms. Letten said Nevada law does not allow for the reactivation of an expired license, and license reinstatement is only available for one year after the expiration date. California only offers certification, rather than full licensure, for opticians and the requirements are not comparable to Nevada's. Unfortunately, there is no legal pathway to approve the applicant's request for an exam waiver.
Motion: Ms. Letten moved to deny the applicant's request.
Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

7. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Updates on the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards, created pursuant to NRS 232.8413
Item removed from agenda.

8. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion of proposed changes to NAC Chapter 637
Item removed from agenda.

9. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Discussion and updates with representative for the American Board of Opticianry
Item removed from agenda.

10. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Review and approval of new lease for Board Office and/or authorization of Executive Director to execute new lease
Discussion: Ms. Sedran said the building where the Board's office is located was recently sold. The new owners are amenable to entering into a lease with the Board with terms equivalent to those of the previous lease, except that the rent will increase to \$850/month for the first year and \$900/month for the subsequent year.

Motion: Ms. Letten moved to authorize the executive director to execute the new lease for the Board's current office space.

Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

11. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Executive Director's report

- a. Licensing updates
- b. General office, budget, and miscellaneous updates
- c. Discussion and possible action to delegate authority to the Executive Director, pursuant to NRS 241.0357, to make decisions regarding litigation in which the Board or any of its members or employees is a party in an official capacity or participates or intervenes in an official capacity; and to consider whether such delegation should apply broadly to all litigation matters or be limited to litigation involving contract disputes only

Item removed from agenda.

12. Public comment

There was no public comment.

Ms. Letten thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 5:15 p.m.