

# Mississippi State Board of Optometry Board Retreat January 10, 2025 – 9:00 A.M. 5 Old River Place, Jackson, MS 39202

# **MINUTES**

In accordance with MCA § 25-41-11

## I. Call to Order

The Mississippi State Board of Optometry Board Retreat was called to order by Board President, Kimberly Ragan, O.D. at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, January 10, 2025.

#### II. Roll Call

The following Members were present:

Lori Blackmer, O.D.

Anna Middleton, O.D.

Hilary Parrish, O.D.

Kimberly Ragan, O.D.

### Board representatives present:

Cynthia Brown, Administrative Assistant Leyser Hayes, Board Counsel – Special Assistant Attorney General Yvonne Laird, J-Bar and Associates, Inc.

# III. Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Parrish moved, with a second by Dr. Blackmer to accept the Agenda as presented. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

### IV. Retreat Discussion Categories

A. Examination Handbook

Upon detail review and edits, the final draft of the Examination Handbook will be updated and made available for vote at the regular scheduled Board meeting on Saturday, January 11, 2025.

B. Reinstatement Procedures

Counsel provided the pathways to reinstatement of a lapsed license including the Universal Recognition of Occupational Licensing Act. The

Reinstatement Application will be revised and available for vote at the regular scheduled meeting on Saturday, January 11, 2025.

C. Rules and Regulations

After review of the proposed rules and regulations, the changes will be made to the draft document for final review and vote at a Special Called Meeting on February 4. 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

V. Adjournment

Dr. Parrish moved, with a second by Dr. Middleton to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 p.m. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVED:

Kimberty Ragan, O.D., Board President

Hilary Parrish O.D., Board Secretary

Distributed for Board President & Secretary's Review: Tuesday, January 14, 2025

Distributed to Board Members: Thursday, January 16, 2025