#### **Minutes**

# Montana Optometric Association Board of Directors' Meeting

February 28, 2019 Big Sky, Montana

**Call to Order** A meeting of the Board of the Directors of the Montana Optometric

Association was called to order at 1:12 p.m. by Dr. Joseph Vincent,

President.

Roll Call and Quorum Board members present were:

Dr. Joseph Vincent, President; Dr. Joseph Steiner, Vice President;

Dr. Abby Thompson, Second Vice President;

Dr. Carl Roth, Past President;

Board Member Dr. Douglas Creger, and Board Member Dr. Niki Henriksen.

Guests: Dr. Ron Benner.

Staff member: Marti L. Wangen, CAE, Co-Executive Director.

**Mission Statement** The mission statement was reviewed by Dr. Joseph Vincent, President.

**Antitrust Statement** The antitrust statement was reviewed by Dr. Joseph Vincent, President.

**Agenda** Agenda was accepted without objection.

**Previous Minutes** Minutes of the previous meetings of:

May 2, 2018; May 4, 2018;

December 11, 2018; and January 16, 2019

were accepted without objection.

**Financials** The financial reports for February 15, 2019 were reviewed.

**Motions:** It was MOVED, SECONDED and Passed:

MOA to write a cease and desist letter that GWCO not speak for

Montana without authorization.

**AOA Report** Dr. Ron Benner, AOA Board Trustee, gave an update on AOA activities.

Items included:

Other state legislative updates; Optometry's Meeting 2019; Membership drive results; Federal upcoming legislation;

Bylaws Changes at Optometry's Meeting;

**GWCO** Activities at SECO:

Information Item Sponsorship Update: MOA Co-Executive Director Marti Wangen

reviewed the sponsorships received to date for both the ski and annual

conferences.

### **Discussion Items**

**AOA House of Delegates Attendees:** The board discussed who should attend the 2019 AOA House of Delegates. Dr. Abby Thompson is attending. Dr. Niki Henriksen will let the board know within a week if she is available. If not, Dr. Mike Monson will be offered the opportunity.

**Board Term Proposal:** It was discussed that the board will develop a plan to contact and discuss with members the concept of two-year board terms. As part of the plan, the board may hold a focus group on Wednesday before the Annual Conference.

**Presidents' Council Report:** Dr. Joe Vincent and Dr. Joe Steiner reported on AOA's February Presidents' Council. Written report is attached.

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**Legislative Committee Report:** Dr. Niki Henriksen updated the board on ideas for future legislative committee activities.

**Medicaid Meeting and Frame Workgroup:** Dr. Niki Henriksen reported that a few members will meet with Medicaid after the session to continue the discussion of frames for Medicaid patients. The workgroup plans to begin meeting quarterly.

### **Future Meeting Date**

May 1, 2019 – Missoula, MT.

## Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 2:50 p.m.