



**Kentucky Board of Optometric Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2026
Hyatt Regency Hotel, Lexington, KY**

Roll Call: The following members and staff were present: President Mary Beth Morris, O.D.; Vice President Karoline Munson, O.D.; Secretary/Treasurer Murray Adams, O.D.; Member Ian McWherter, O.D.; Executive Director Christi LeMay; Board Counsel Christopher Thacker.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm upon confirmation of a quorum.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Murray Adams, O.D., and second by Ian McWherter, O.D., to approve the April 14, 2026 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: A motion was made by Karoline Munson, O.D., and second by Ian McWherter, O.D., to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business –

- a. Current and potential regulations: President Morris advised the approved administrative regulations were filed accordingly.
- b. Licensee Renewal: A motion was made by Karoline Munson, O.D., and second by Murray Adams, O.D., pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(c) and (j), of the Kentucky Open Meetings Act, for the Board to retire into closed, executive session. Specific justification under the Kentucky Open Meetings Act for this action are as follows: discussions of proposed or pending litigation against or on behalf of the public agency and regarding individual adjudications. The motion carried unanimously. A motion was made by Murray Adams, O.D., and second by Karoline Munson, O.D., to come out of closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ian McWherter, O.D., and second by Karoline Munson, O.D. to authorize the KBOE staff to establish a relationship with the Kentucky Professionals Recovery Network, Inc. (KPRN). Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Karoline Munson, O.D., and second by Ian McWherter, O.D. to authorize the Executive Director to contract the services of an Administrative Hearing Officer through the Attorney General's Office effective 7/1/26. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Karoline Munson, O.D. and second by Murray Adams, O.D. to draft a complaint letter to licensee A for consideration of the Board. Ian McWherter, O.D. dissented.

A motion was made by Ian McWherter, O.D., and second by Murray Adams, O.D. to include comments made by KBOE President during the Kentucky Optometric Association membership meeting. Karoline Munson, O.D. dissented.

- c. Patient Safety in Expanded Therapeutic Procedures Workgroup: A motion was made by Karoline Munson, O.D., and second by Ian McWherter, O.D. to approve the slate of participants as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business —

1. Board Review of Applicant for Approval: A motion was made by Murray Adams, O.D., and second by Karoline Munson, O.D. to approve the applicant pending passage of the jurisprudence exam. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Executive Session: Not required

Adjournment: A motion was made by Karoline Munson, O.D. and second by Ian McWherter, O.D. to adjourn at 8:45 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Certification

These minutes are respectfully submitted for approval by the Kentucky Board of Optometric Examiners.



Mary Beth Morris, O.D., President



Christi LeMay, Executive Director