

BIENNIAL REPORT OF EXAMINING AND LICENSING BOARDS

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(M.S. -1985 Supplement, Section 214.07)

BOARD: OPTOMETRY

LOCATION: 2700 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST, ROOM 103

ST. PAUL, MN 55114

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 148.52 - 148.62

REPORT PERIOD: July 1, 1984 To: June 30, 1986.

SUBMITTED BY: Burton H. Skuza, O.D., Executive Director Nov. 12, 1986
Name Title Date

Copies of this report shall be delivered to: (A) the Legislature in accordance with Section 3.195 (1 copy to the Secretary of the Senate, 1 copy to the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and 10 copies to the Legislative Reference Library); (B) the Governor; and (C) Commissioner of Administration. Each health-related board shall also deliver a copy of their report to the Board of Health.

Clause a: GENERAL STATEMENT OF BOARD ACTIVITIES

This description should cover both FY 85 and FY 86 and include any changes (additions/deletions) in activities between those years.

The Board of Optometry serves the public need for quality vision care by enforcement of state statutes and rules and regulations relating to the optometric profession. The Board annually examines 45 to 50 applicants as to fitness and qualifications; monitors continuing education requirements; reevaluates and determines the need for changes or additional rules and regulations; investigates 15 to 20 complaints received each year.

Clause b: TOTAL NUMBER MEETINGS HELD FY 85 7 FY 86 8 FY 85 AND 86 15

APPROXIMATE TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS SPENT BY BOARD MEMBERS IN MEETINGS AND ON OTHER BOARD ACTIVITIES.

BOARD MEMBER'S NAME	MEETING		HOURS			OTHER ACTIVITIES		HOURS		
	TYPE	FY 85	FY 86	FY 85 & 86	TYPE	FY 85	FY 86	FY 85 & 86		
Harry C. Smith, O.D. Hopkins Professional Member	Regular	27	3	30	National Meetings	48	--	48		
	Examinations	20	--	20	Miscellaneous	20	--	20		
L. James Rochovitz, O.D. Mankato Professional Member	Regular	6	--	6	National Meetings	--	--	--		
	Examinations	20	--	20	Miscellaneous	--	--	--		
Mrs. Jean Lemberg Arden Hills Public Member	Regular	13	--	13	National Meetings	--	--	--		
	Examinations	20	--	20	Miscellaneous	20	--	20		
Robert D. Toomey, O.D. Minneapolis Professional Member	Regular	27	18	45	National Meetings	48	--	48		
	Examinations	20	20	40	Miscellaneous	15	30	45		

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	TYPE	FY 85	FY 86	FY 85 & 86	TYPE	FY 85	FY 86	FY 85 & 86
Dean Stensrud, O.D. Ooon Rapids Professional Member	Regular	13	18	31	National Meetings	24	36	60
	Examinations	--	20	20	Miscellaneous	15	30	45
Mary K. Laconic, O.D. Minneapolis Professional Member	Regular	27	18	45	National Meetings	--	66	66
	Examinations	20	20	40	Miscellaneous	30	30	60
Lee A. Nelson, O.D. Duluth Professional Member	Regular	27	18	45	National Meetins	--	30	30
	Examinations	20	20	40	Miscellaneous	30	30	60
Patricia Kluis Chandler Public Member	Regular	27	18	45	National Meetings	--	--	--
	Examinations	20	20	40	Miscellaneous	30	30	60

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	TYPE	FY 85	FY 86	FY 85 & 86	TYPE	FY 85	FY 86	FY 85 & 86
Joseph Powell Waseca Public Member	Regular	4	15	19	National Meetings	--	--	--
	Examinations	20	20	40	Miscellaneous	30	30	60
Alan Paymar, O.D. Eagan Professional Member	Regular	--	6	6	National Meetings	--	--	--
	Examinations	--	20	20	Miscellaneous	--	30	30

Clause c: THE RECEIPT AND DISBURSEMENT OF BOARD FUNDS

	FY 85	FY 86	FY'S 85 & 86
Total State Appropriations	51,300.00	44,800.00	96,100.00
Total Non-Dedicated Fee Receipts	38,500.00	49,600.00	88,100.00
Total Disbursements	40,300.00	47,100.00	87,400.00

COMMENTS (Optional)

In accordance with 214.06, the total fees collected will as closely as possible equal anticipated expenditures during the fiscal bienium.

General tax revenue is not used for operation of the Board of Optometry.

Clause d: LIST OF BOARD MEMBERS WHO SERVED DURING FY 85 AND FY 86

FOR EASY REFERENCE PLEASE GIVE:

(A) Number of Board members required by statute: 7.(B) The statutory length of term: Four year.

NAME & ADDRESS	OCCUPATION	GIVE BEGIN AND END DATE OF APPOINTMENT AND EACH RE-APPOINTMENT
Harry C. Smith, O.D. Hopkins	Optometrist	4/82 - 1/86
L. James Rochovitz, Mankato	O.D. Optometrist	6/81 - 1/85
Mrs. Jean Lemberg Arden Hills	Housewife	7/79 - 1/81; 6/81 - 1/85
Mrs. Patricia Kluis Chandler	Nurse	10/83 - 1/85; 1/85 - 1/89
Robert D. Toomey, O.D. Minneapolis	Optometrist	6/83 - 1/87
Lee A. Nelson, O.D. Duluth	Optometrist	6/83 - 1/87
Mary K. Laconic, O.D. Minneapolis	Optometrist	1/84 - 1/88
Dean Stensrud, O.D. Coon Rapids	Optometrist	1/85 - 1/89
Joseph Powell Waseca	Retired	1/85 - 1/89
Alan Paymar, O.D. Eagan	Optometrist	1/86 - 1/90

Clause e: LIST BOARD EMPLOYEES WHO WERE EMPLOYED
DURING FY 85 AND/OR FY 86

NAME	JOB CLASSIFICATION/TITLE & CLASS	CLASS CODE	STATUS		
			FT	PT	Dates of Service
Burton H. Skuza, O.D.	Executive Director	UNCL		X	6/83-Present
Helen E. Skuza	Clerk Typist	000180		X	6/83-Present

Clause f: BRIEF SUMMARY OF BOARD RULES PROPOSED OR ADOPTED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD, FY 85 AND FY 86. GIVE APPROPRIATE CITATIONS TO THE STATE REGISTER AND PUBLISHED RULES FOR THOSE ADOPTED.

In FY 85, the Minnesota Board of Optometry adopted rules amending the continuing education requirements for annual relicensure.

The compliance period was changed from one year to three years.

The number of continuing education hours required within the three year compliance period is 45 hours.

Published State Register of October 1, 1984 at 9 S.R. 1690. The rules are cited as 6500.0900 through 6500.1700.

Clause g:

TYPE OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION

TOTAL NUMBER IN EFFECT	
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100	100

OPTOMETRISTS

660

PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS

62

Clauses i, j, k: MINNESOTA RESIDENTS PY TYPE OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION

List the number of Minnesota Residents only who were (1) examined and either (2) Licensed/Registered or (3) Not licensed/registered after being examined for the type of license/registration noted. Use a separate page for each type of license or registration

TYPE OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION Optometric License

AGE GROUP	FY 85									FY 86									FY 85 AND FY 86								
	EXAMINED			LIC/REGIS			NOT LIC/REGIS			EXAMINED			LIC/REGIS			NOT LIC/REGIS			EXAMINED			LIC/REGIS			NOT LIC/REGIS		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Under 18																											
18-25	2	1	3	2	1	3	-	-	-	2	-	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	4	1	5	4	1	5	-	-	-
26-34	14	1	15	14	1	15	-	-	-	9	1	10	9	1	10	-	-	-	23	2	25	23	2	25	-	-	-
35-59	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	1	2	-	-	-	2	1	3	2	1	3	-	-	-
60-65																											
66 & Over																											
Total	17	2	19	17	2	19	-	-	-	12	2	14	12	2	14	-	-	-	29	4	33	29	4	33	-	-	-
Calculate % of Male and % of Female to the Total of Each Category																											
% of Total	89	11	100	89	11	100	-	-	100	86	14	100	86	14	100	-	-	100	88	12	100	88	12	100	-	-	100

Clauses i, j, k: NON-MINNESOTA RESIDENTS BY TYPE OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION

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TYPE OF LICENSE/REGISTRATION Optometric License

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	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
Under 18																											
18-25	3	2	5	3	2	5	-	-	-	6	2	8	6	2	8	-	-	-	9	4	13	9	4	13	-	-	-
26-34	21	3	24	21	3	24	-	-	-	19	8	26	19	7	25	-	1	1	40	11	51	40	10	50	-	1	1
35-59																											
60-65																											
66 & Over																											
Total	24	5	29	24	5	29	-	-	-	25	10	35	24	9	33	-	1	1	49	15	64	49	14	63	-	1	1

Calculate % of Male and % of Female to the Total of Each Category

% of Total	83	17	100	83	17	100	-	-	100	71	29	100	73	27	100	-	3	100	77	23	100	78	22	100	016	100
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State		FY85												PLEASE LIST THE TOTAL NUMBER OF NON-RESIDENTS BY STATE												FY86			
FL	1			NJ	1												IL	1		OH	2		SD	2					
IA	3			ND	5												MA	1		OK	1		WI	9					
IL	6			SD	2												MI	5		PA	2		NORWAY	1					
MI	3			WI	8												ND	9		RI	1								

CONTINUATION SHEET:

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	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
FL	1		1																1		1	1		1			
IA	2	1	3	2	1	3													2	1	3	2	1	3			
IL	5	1	6	5	1	6				1	1		1	1					5	2	7	5	2	7			
MA									1	1	1	1							1		1	1		1			
MI	3		3	3		3				3	2	5	3	2	5				6	2	8	6	2	8			
NJ	1		1	1		1													1		1	1		1			
ND	5		5	5		5				8	1	9	8	1	9				13	1	14	13	1	14			
OH									2		2	2		2					2		2	2		2			
OK										1	1		1	1						1	1		1	1			
PA									2		2	2		2					2		2	2		2			
RI									1		1	1		1					1		1	1		1			
SD	2		2	2		2				1		1	1		1				3		3	3		3			

Clause m: PERSONS PREVIOUSLY LICENSED OR REGISTERED BY THE BOARD
WHOSE LICENSES OR REGISTRATIONS WERE REVOKED, SUSPENDED
OR OTHERWISE ALTERED IN STATUS, WITH BRIEF STATEMENTS OF
THE REASONS FOR THE REVOCATION, SUSPENSION OR ALTERATION.

TOTAL number of revocations

TOTAL number of suspensions

TOTAL number of other status changes

FY 85	FY 86	FY's 85&86
1	2	3
3	3	6
29	36	65

TYPE OF LICENSE OR REGISTRATION (By case)	TYPE OF STATUS CHANGE			REASONS FOR EACH CHANGE IN STATUS FOR EACH CASE
	Revoked	Suspended	Other (Specify)	
	3			Failure to submit renewal fee & subsequent to hearing officer's report.
		6		Failure to comply with continuing education requirement & subsequent to hearing officer's report.
			65	Deceased and those who requested to drop license.

Clause n: LIST THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, EACH BOARD MEMBER, EMPLOYEE OR OTHER PERSON PERFORMING SERVICES FOR THE BOARD

IN FY 85 13 Written
 No.
 0 Oral
 No.

IN FY 86 13 Written
 No.
 0 Oral
 No.

THAT ALLEGE OR IMPLY A VIOLATION OF A STATUTE OR RULE WHICH THE BOARD IS EMPOWERED TO ENFORCE. THESE TOTALS INCLUDE CASES REFERRED TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S STAFF WHO ARE ASSIGNED TO ASSIST YOUR BOARD.

IN FY 85 0 Written
 No.
 0 Oral
 No.

IN FY 86 0 Written
 No.
 0 Oral
 No.

WHICH ARE FORWARDED TO OTHER AGENCIES AS REQUIRED BY M.S. 214.10.

Please indicate the number of complaints referred to each other governmental agency (Federal, State, and Local) in each fiscal year:

Clause o: SUMMARIZE, BY SPECIFIC CATEGORY, THE SUBSTANCE OF THE COMPLAINTS AND COMMUNICATIONS REFERRED TO IN CLAUSE (n) OF M.S. 214.07 AND AND, FOR EACH SPECIFIC CATEGORY, THE RESPONSES OR DISPOSITIONS THEREOF PURSUANT TO M.S. 214.10 and 214.11 (INDICATE AUTHORITY/ CITATIONS FOR DISPOSITION).

(Dispositions occurring during this period of complaints and communications received prior to July 1, 1984, and complaints and communications received but not disposed of as of June 30, 1986 should be included).

<p>SUMMARY OF COMPLAINTS AND COMMUNICATIONS BY SPECIFIC CATEGORY</p> <p>(Give number in each specific category)</p>	<p>SUMMARY OF RESPONSES AND DISPOSITIONS FOR EACH SPECIFIC CATEGORY</p> <p>(Give number in each specific category)</p>
<p>17 Contact lenses complaint 6 Claimed improper fit of lenses 3 Improper fit of frame 3 Involved request for release of records. 1 Unsanitary office 1 Claimed amount charged was exhorbitant.</p>	<p>13 Failed to return complaint 9 No jurisdiction 19 Complaints resolved by Board</p>

Clause p: STATE ANY OTHER OBJECTIVE INFORMATION WHICH THE BOARD MEMBERS BELIEVE WILL BE USEFUL IN REVIEWING BOARD ACTIVITIES:

(For Example: In what other states do your licensees hold licenses? Number of Minnesota licenses verified/certified to other states? Number of inspections? Comparisons with past Biennial Reports?)

For health-related boards: (except Veterinary Medicine)

1) What progress has the board made so far in establishing procedures to exchange information with other Minnesota state boards, agencies, and departments responsible for licensing health related occupations, facilities, and programs, and for coordinating investigations involving matters within the jurisdiction of more than one licensing body? and,

2) What progress has the board made so far in establishing procedures for exchanging information with other states regarding disciplinary action against licensees? (see M.S. 1985 Supplement, Section 214.10, Subd. 8(d)(e).

The Minnesota Board of Optometry participates annually in a regional meeting of Boards of Optometry of the North Central region of States.

The Minnesota Board of Optometry participates in a national meeting of Boards of Optometry annually.

Currently, there is no mechanism to exchange information regarding disciplinary proceedings against licensees in other states.

Information is exchanged between health boards when disciplinary jurisdiction is alleged to violate statutes or rules of another Board or agency.

A meeting of the health boards are conducted on a monthly basis.

Clause p: (Continuation Sheet)

ANNUAL COMPARISON REPORT OF LICENSEES & PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION AS OF 12/31/85

	<u>1984</u>	<u>1985</u>
Total licensed	666	678
Licensees living in State	468	484
Licensees living out of state	198	194
Female Licensees	37	41
Professional Corporation registered	60	60
Licensees suspended for C.E. non-compliance	3	3
Of the above who have since complied	0	0
Licensees request to drop license	25	30
Deceased during the caldendar year	4	6
Reinstated license	0	1
Revoked for failure to renew	1	2
Applicants for license	51	53
Failed to show for examination	3	4
Passed examination	48	48
Declined registration	0	0
Failed examination	0	1
Applicants held for passage of Part IIB of NBEO	1	1
Passed retake of Part IIB of NBEO	1	1

Item q: For all health related boards except the Board of Veterinary Medicine, per M.S. 1985 Supplement, Section 214.10, Subd. 8(b): Provide a summary of each individual case (complaint or other communication) that involved possible sexual contact of a licensee with a patient or client.

Each summary must include:

- 1) a description of the alleged misconduct;
 - 2) the general results of the investigation;
 - 3) the nature of board activities relating to that case;
 - 4) the disposition of the case;
- and
- 5) the reasons for board decisions concerning the disposition of the case.

The information disclosed must not include the name or specific identifying information about any person, agency, or organization. Include cases received prior to July 1, 1984, but disposed of in FY '85 and FY '86, as well as cases received prior to June 30, 1986, but not yet disposed of.

NONE