PH&EV Business Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2014

Attendees
Kevin Jackson (Diplomate Chair), Debbie Hettler (Program Chair), Bill Monaco, Howard McAlister, Jeffrey Weaver, Tony Cullen, Pat Yoshinaga, Timothy Wingert, Lawrence Harrington (Section Chair), Fred Soto, Stephen Dain, Alison Dain, Greg Good (Immediate Past Chair), Richard Meetz, Cliff Brown, Bob Kleinstein, Richard Hom, Ryan Manning, Gretchyn Bailey

Section reception
3 course dinner, including frisée & red oak salad, roasted chicken breast, panna cotta and hosted bar was served at 7:15

Call to Order
Business Meeting was called to order at 8:10

Previous Minutes
2013 Business Meeting minutes as posted on section website were discussed and approved

Section webpage
The webpage has been updated and now includes a discussion section where members can post comments and ideas. Webpage is where section documents are archived including minutes, newsletters and a spreadsheet tracking awards section diplomates have earned.

Henry Peters Award Lecture
The first Henry Peters Award Lecture was given at 4:00 pm on November 12th. Award recipient Alden “Norman” Haffner, longtime friend of Dr. Peters, started his lecture by giving poignant description of Henry Peters’ personal and professional achievements. After the tribute Dr. Haffner presented his outlook on the Affordable Care Act and future challenges for the profession of optometry. Attendance was low (approximately 35) at least partially due to poor visibility on the meeting schedule. The Peters lecture was combined with the section symposium to form a 3 hour block on the widely distributed education program grid. Unfortunately only the symposium topic was listed on the grid, thereby hiding the Peters lecture within the 3 hour block. In addition there was a separate publication, an awards pamphlet that advertised the lecture at the wrong time (5:00 pm). Combining the awards lecture and the symposium also caused confusion regarding CE credit. The two hours of symposium lectures had COPE approval but the third hour; the award lecture had not been submitted to COPE. Bob Kleinstein, Bob Newcomb, John Whitener and Stan Hatch were recognized for their leadership in establishing the Henry Peters Award.

Henry Peters Lecture Fund
Balance as of 9/23/14 $28,652
Diplomate renewals in 2015
Everyone who achieved diplomate status prior to 2011 will be renewed in 2015. There is a new points based renewal process. The academy is working on an on-line renewal application which will be linked to an academy data base which will auto-populate points data for academy meeting attendance, presentations, and other volunteer activities. Other points earning activities will have to be uploaded by the diplomate. A diplomate restoration process is under development for diplomates who are not renewed due to a failure to maintain sufficient points.

Diplomate Committee Report
The diplomate committee; Fred Soto, Cliff Brown, Jeff Weaver, Greg Good, Debbie Hettler, Kevin Jackson, and Lawrence Harrington met on Nov 13th at 5:00 pm. Candidate Ryan Manning successfully defended his project on Prevalence of High Astigmatism in a Native American Population. Dr. Manning is the 38th person to achieve diplomate status in the PH&EV section.

Section Symposium
The 2014 section symposium; Is there a place for Prevention, Public Health, Public Assistance, and Providers in Optometric Practice in an era of ACA?, was presented on November 12th from 2:00 to 4:00pm. Speakers Debbie Hettler, OD, MPH, FAAO; Larry Wolk, MD; Adam Atherly, PhD; Michele Lueck; Judy Zerzan, MD, MPH; and Bob Doyle were well received by an audience of approximately 50.

Future Symposium
Ideas for next year’s symposium were solicited from the section. Ideas included:
- Climate change impacts on health and optometry
- Has optometry lost control of its future?
- Recruit a speaker from Tulane University’s school of Public Health and Tropical Medicine

Meeting Adjourned
Business meeting was closed at 8:50. Attendees socialized and took advantage of the open bar until 9:15