ARBO 2011 Annual Meeting Rapidly Approaching

“Exploring the Future of Health Care Regulation.”

There are only a few weeks left to make your plans to attend ARBO's 92nd Annual Meeting. The 2011 Annual Meeting takes place at the Sheraton Hotel in Salt Lake City, Utah, June 12-14, 2011. The planning committee has developed a full and informative meeting agenda. You definitely will not want to miss it!

More time has been added into the meeting agenda this year for member board reports and discussion of contemporary issues. This year ARBO is asking each Board to answer three questions on some important, current issues in optometry:

1. Has your Board taken a position on Board Certification? Please describe your position.
2. Does your Board think that continued competence of optometrists is part of your mission? What does your Board think is the best way to accomplish this?
3. Does your board think that the current system for maintenance of licensure (CE) is adequate in reassuring the public that an OD is maintaining competence? What additional requirements would your Board recommend?

These questions are designed to spark a lively discussion during the discussion of contemporary issues session on Monday, June 13 at 2:00 p.m. We hope you come prepared to share your opinions on how these issues relate to our mission of public protection.

In these times of economic challenges, we recognize that funding is limited. If your Board has restricted travel allowances and you require additional support in order to attend, please let us know. ARBO and NBEO are offering two financial support programs again this year:

- **$500 Travel Stipend.** Jointly funded by ARBO and NBEO, this stipend will be available to one person from each jurisdiction who attends both the NBEO Workshop and the ARBO Annual Meeting. To apply, or for more information, please contact Andrea Moss of the NBEO at 704.332.9565.

- **$250 and $500 Scholarships.** Also jointly funded by ARBO and NBEO, travel scholarships are available again this year. A limited number of scholarships are available and they will be rewarded on a first come first served basis. To apply, please send a request to Lisa Fennell, ARBO Managing Director, on your Board letterhead by June 1, 2011.

Register at www.arbo.org and reserve your place at the delegate table!
ARBO 2011 Annual Meeting Agenda

SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2011

7:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m.  National Board of Examiners in Optometry (NBEO) Workshop, Jack Terry, O.D., Ph.D., NBEO Executive Director

Concurrent Breakout Sessions:

11:00 a.m.  Board Member Training, Dale Atkinson, Esq., Atkinson and Atkinson

11:00 a.m.  Executive Director/Administrator Workshops:
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm:  ARBO’s Optometric Competence Committee, William Rafferty, O.D., Chair
- 12:00 – 1:00 pm:  Luncheon and Open Forum: What’s New in Your Jurisdiction? Laurie Mickelson, Moderator

12:00 p.m.  Buffet Luncheon and New Attendee Orientation

1:00 p.m.  Call to Order

Utah Board of Optometry Welcome Opening Ceremony

1:45 p.m.  Member Board Reports

2:45 p.m.  Legal Update, Dale Atkinson, Esq., Atkinson and Atkinson

3:45 p.m.  Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards (FARB) Report

4:00 p.m.  The Future of Healthcare Regulation, Where are We Heading and What Can We Do About It? Mark Lane, P.T., Vice-President, Professional Standards and Assessment, Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy

5:00 p.m.  OE TRACKER Committee Report

5:30 p.m.  Recess

MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2011

7:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m.  Call to Order

8:15 a.m.  Member Board Reports

9:15 a.m.  ARBO Annual Meeting Planning Committee Survey

9:30 a.m.  Continuing Competence, Where Are We Now? David Swankin, J.D., President and CEO, Citizen Advocacy Center

10:30 a.m.  Assuring the Continued Competence of Licensed Physicians, Lance Talmage M.D., Chair-Elect, Federation of State Medical Boards

11:30 a.m.  Optometric Competence Committee Report

12:00 p.m.  Buffet Luncheon

1:00 p.m.  Redesigning Continuing Education for the Health Professions, Paul Mazmanian, Ph.D., Institute of Medicine Committee on Planning for a Continuing Health Care Professional Education Institute

2:00 p.m.  Contemporary Issues Discussion

3:00 p.m.  National Board of Examination Review Committee (NBERC) Report

3:15 p.m.  ARBO/NBEO Directors Report

3:45 p.m.  Council on Optometric Practitioner Education (COPE) Report

4:15 p.m.  Final Nominating Committee Report

4:30 p.m.  AOA State Government Relations Center (SGRC) Report, Sherry Cooper, SGRC Associate Director

5:30 p.m.  Recess

6:00-8:00 p.m.  Cocktail Reception

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### Annual Meeting Agenda (continued)

**TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2011**

- **7:00 a.m.** *Continental Breakfast*

- **8:00 a.m.** *Call to Order*

- **8:00 a.m.** *Executive Director/Administrator Workshops:*
  - **8:00 – 9:00 am:** *Maryland Board of Optometry’s Quality Assurance Program*, Patricia Bennett, Executive Director, MD Board of Optometry
  - **9:00 – 10:00 am:** *Virginia Board of Optometry Sanctioning Reference Points*, Leslie Knachel, Executive Director, VA Board of Optometry

- **8:05 a.m.** *Elections:*
  - *ARBO Board of Directors:* Two 4-Year Term Director Positions (Dr. William Rafferty and Dr. Susy Yu eligible for re-election)
  - *ARBO Candidates for ACOE Appointment:* 3-Year Term (Dr. David Reed, eligible for reappointment)

- **8:30 a.m.** *Final Judicial Council/Resolutions Committee Report and Delegate Discussion*

- **9:00 a.m.** *Industry Panel*

- **10:00 a.m.** *American Optometric Student Association (AOSA) Report*

- **10:15 a.m.** *American Optometric Association (AOA) Report*

- **11:00 a.m.** *Veterans Administration Update*

- **11:15 a.m.** *American Academy of Optometry (AAO) Report*

- **11:30 a.m.** *Accreditation Council on Optometric Education (ACOE) Report*

- **11:45 a.m.** *Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO) Report*

- **12:00 p.m.** *Old Business*

- **12:15 p.m.** *New Business*

- **12:30 p.m.** *Adjournment*

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### Sheraton Hotel Information

The Sheraton Salt Lake City is located in the heart of downtown Salt Lake City. The hotel is located four blocks from LDS Temple Square and is also conveniently located just 30 minutes from the top Utah ski resorts. Explore the sights and sounds of the city with complimentary transportation to the surrounding area and to the Salt Lake City International Airport. Stay connected with the Link@Sheraton®*, a unique lobby lounge that enables you to stay connected with free High Speed Internet, free PC work stations and printing.

**Reservations:** 800-325-3535  
**Address:** 1500 West 500 South, Salt Lake City, UT, 84101  
**Hotel website:** [www.sheratonsaltlakecity.com](http://www.sheratonsaltlakecity.com)  
**Check In:** 3:00 p.m.  
**Check Out:** 12:00 p.m.

**Amenities:**
- Outdoor Pool
- Indoor Whirlpool
- Sauna
- The Sheraton Sweet Sleeper™ Bed
- 42-inch LCD flat screen TVs
- Balconies
- Cable Channels
- Data Port
- Telephone
- Refrigerator
- Room Service
- Radio/Alarm Clock
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Free Newspaper
- Wireless High Speed Internet Access in All Guest Rooms (USD 9.95 per day)

**Restaurants & Lounges**
- Olio Ristorante
- Extra Innings Lounge
- Starbucks

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*The Sheraton Salt Lake City Hotel*
Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry
Committee Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in volunteering to serve on an ARBO committee for the 2011-2012 administrative year, please consider the committee(s) that interest you. A list of current committees is shown on the following page. The new Board of Directors will be making committee appointments and volunteers will be notified of appointments in early July. The Directors attempt to have all committees regionally balanced; therefore you may or may not be selected to serve depending on a variety of circumstances.

☐ I wish to be considered for the following ARBO Committee(s) for 2011-2012:

1. ____________________________ 4. ____________________________
2. ____________________________ 5. ____________________________
3. ____________________________ 6. ____________________________

Your Jurisdiction: _____________________________________________

Name: _______________________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________

Office Phone: __________________________ Cell Phone: __________________________

Email Address: _______________________________________________________

Expiration of Your Board Term (if applicable): __________________________

Please fax completed form to Lisa Fennell at 704-970-2720 by June 6th.
Forms will also be available onsite during the Annual Meeting.
ARBO Committees

Bylaws Committee
This committee reviews the ARBO Bylaws to recommend changes to be voted upon at the following year’s Annual Meeting. The current Bylaws were adopted in June 1994; amendments were made at the 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999, 2000, 2004, 2007 and 2008 Annual Meetings.

Optometric Continued Competence Committee
The purpose of this committee is to identify and establish educational and ethical standards and strategies for optometric licensing boards to implement lifelong learning processes to protect the public.

Council on Endorsed Licensure Mobility for Optometrists (CELMO)
This committee develops and implements policy/programs for a license mobility vehicle by which state optometry boards can address the difficult task and burden of how to deal with the issue of licensure by endorsement in a uniform and consistent manner.

Council on Optometric Practitioner Education (COPE)
COPE’s primary purpose is to administer a centralized, uniform CE accreditation process of programs/events offered on a national and regional basis. The COPE Committee also: oversees the implementation of guidelines for selecting and monitoring course reviewers, evaluates the requirements for course and CE administrator approvals, conducts periodic quality assessment reviews, and continuously refines the policy and procedures for the functioning of COPE.

International Affairs Committee
This committee seeks and encourages international membership in ARBO and maintains reciprocal relations with other international organizations. The International Committee gathers information relating to licensing and regulation boards of optometry in all jurisdictions of the world, and recommends methods to establish and maintain reciprocal relations among them.

Judicial Council/Resolutions Committee
The Judicial Council’s purpose is to review and approve all resolutions passed by the ARBO House of Delegates and is charged with reporting its deliberations to the President. After the resolutions review is complete, the Judicial Council is renamed, becomes the Resolutions Committee, and is then charged with reviewing and screening resolutions for appropriateness when they are submitted to the House of Delegates for adoption at the Annual Meeting.

Member Board Executive Directors/Administrators Committee
The purpose of the Member Board Executive Directors/Administrators Committee is to develop content for inclusion at the Annual Meeting for the benefit and education of member board executive directors/administrators and staff.

National Board Examination Review Committee (NBERC)
This committee reviews the content of the examinations developed and administered by the National Board of Examiners in Optometry. The committee meets once a year, usually in January, during the NBEO Council Meeting in Charlotte, NC. The committee presents a report to the NBEO and to the House of Delegates at the ARBO Annual Meeting with recommendations on how examinations may be improved to meet optometry board needs.

Nominating Committee
The Nominating Committee’s purpose is to make a report at the Annual Meeting of the names selected for vacant directorships of ARBO and the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education. The committee accepts names for nomination before and during the Annual Meeting. The committee reviews pertinent information regarding candidates, conducts an interview process, and presents a slate of nominees to the voting delegates at the Annual Meeting.

OE TRACKER Committee
This Committee oversees the ARBO program designed to capture attendance data at educational meetings, making it available to both the individual optometrist and their boards of optometry to verify attendance information needed for continuing education requirements for license renewal.
2011 Annual Meeting Call for Nominations

In accordance with ARTICLE VI, Section 2.C of the Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry (ARBO) Bylaws, I hereby announce that the Nominating Committee consists of the following individuals:

- Dr. Joseph B. Sullivan, Kansas, Chair
- Dr. Larry J. Barger, Ohio
- Dr. Beth DeSpiegelaere, Minnesota
- Dr. Jeffrey Kraskin, DC
- Dr. Michael Ohlson, Iowa, Board Liaison
- Dr. Steven Eyler, Consultant

I also announce that two members of the ARBO Board of Directors will be elected for terms as follows:

Two Full 4-Year Terms:
- One 4-year term – Dr. William Rafferty -- eligible for re-election
- One 4-year term – Dr. Susy Yu -- eligible for re-election

Individuals wishing to be considered by the Nominating Committee for service on the ARBO Board of Directors shall send a statement to that effect, along with a current CV, to Ms. Lisa Fennell, Managing Director, at the ARBO office by June 1, 2011. The candidate should be available at the ARBO Annual Meeting for an interview by the Nominating Committee.

For more information, see ARTICLE V, Section 1 of the Bylaws, on the ARBO Website at www.arbo.org.

W. Ernest Schlabach
ARBO Secretary-Treasurer