

**GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED DIETITIANS
JUNE 4, 2010 BOARD MEETING**

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians met via telephone conference at the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Georgia Secretary of State located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia on June 4, 2010.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Nancy Walters, MMSC, RD, LD Chairman
Jessie Wright, MS, RD, LD, Cognizant
Joan Fischer, PhD, RD, LD
Frances Cook, MA, RD, LD
Dee Dee Williams, Consumer Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Tracey Neely, MS, RD, LD Vice-Chairman

STAFF PRESENT

Sandy Bond, RN, MSN, MBA, Executive Director
Wylencia Monroe, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Adrienne Price, RN, MSN, Legal/Discipline Consultant
Pam Candler, Board Support Specialist

Ms. Walters called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. on Friday, June 4, 2010. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented with the addition of correspondence.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES

Ms. Fischer moved to approve the April 2010 minutes as amended, Ms. Williams seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Fischer moved, Ms. Cook seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(K) (1)(2) and O.C.G.A. §50-14-2(1) to discuss Applications and to receive the Assistant Attorney General's Report. In favor of the motion were those present who included Board Members: Wright, Cook, Fischer, Williams and Walters. The Executive Session was concluded in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Bond gave a report on several administrative items.

- The cut-off date on "Lapsed Late Renewal" is June 30, 2010.

- Staff has been busy processing June graduates for Dietitians, Licensed Practical Nurses and Registered Nurses. On Line exam applications have shortened processing time for Registered Nurses and Licensed Practical Nurses will soon be able to apply on line.
- She will present a complete report on Dietitian Renewals at the next board meeting.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

Ms. Wylencia Monroe, provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and/or requests for authority for proposed rules. Dr. Fischer moved to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report. Ms. Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously

COGNIZANT REPORT of INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEW

LD1100008 Ms. Wright moved to issue a license. Ms. Fischer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

COMPLAINT/COMPLIANCE REPORT

RENEWAL APPLICATION

D1 - LD100013 Ms. Williams moved to grant license with a letter of concern. Motion was seconded by Ms. Cook and it carried unanimously.

APPLICANT REVIEW

L-1 – LD100003 Ms. Wright moved to conduct an investigative interview. Ms. Fischer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Ms. Wright moved to accept the Complaint/Compliance report as presented. Ms. Williams seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

APPLICATIONS APPROVED BY STAFF GUIDELINES

Ms. Fischer moved to ratify 13 licenses administratively issued from April 1, 2010 through May 31, 2010. Ms. Williams seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PROPOSED RULES AMENDMENTS

Ms. Wright moved to refer Rule Amendment 157-4-.01 Licensure without Examination. Amended to the Attorney General for authority. She also moved to post amendment to Rule 157-4-.01 Licensure without Examination, Amended. Ms. Cook seconded each motion and they carried unanimously.

Ms. Cook moved that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rules cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the applicable laws as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4. Ms. Fischer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

157-4-.01 Licensure without Examination. Amended.

(1) An applicant for licensure without examination may apply by ~~either~~ registration by the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) ~~or endorsement~~.

(2) To be eligible for licensure without examination, the applicant must have successfully passed the CDR examination.

Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-8, 43-11A-9

Ms. Fischer moved to refer Rule 157-4-.03 Licensure by Endorsement to the Attorney General for authority. She also moved to post amendment to Rule 157-4-.03, Ms. Cook seconded each motion and they carried unanimously.

Ms. Wright moved that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rules cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the applicable laws as provided by the Attorney General's office. Ms. Cook seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

157-4-.03 Licensure by Endorsement.

~~Any applicant holding a valid license as a licensed dietitian issued by another state, political territory, or jurisdiction acceptable to the Board, if, in the Board's opinion, the requirements are substantially equal to or greater than the requirements of this chapter, 43-11A-8, shall submit:~~

- ~~(a) The completed application form provided by the Board.~~
- ~~(b) A photograph of the applicant. Only a passport type (3" x 3") taken within the past twelve months will be accepted.~~
- ~~(c) The proper fee (see fee schedule).~~
- ~~(d) A letter under seal from the appropriate state official issuing the license indicating that the license is current and in good standing.~~
- ~~(e) The Board may request additional verification of any requirements or credentials as it may deem necessary.~~

~~Authority O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-25, 43-11A-7, 43-11A-8. History. Original Rule entitled "Licensure by Endorsement" adopted. F. Apr. 1, 2002; eff. Apr. 21, 2002.~~

Ms. Cook moved to refer Rule 157-3-.01 Application Fees. Amended to the Attorney General for authority. She also moved to post amendment to Rule 157-3-.01, Ms. Williams seconded both motions and they carried unanimously.

Ms. Cook moved that the formulation and adoption of this rule does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rules cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the applicable laws as provided by the Attorney General's office. Ms. Fischer seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

157-3-.01 Application Fees. Amended

Fees are charged for the following:

- (a) Registration;
- (b) Examination;
- (c) Re-Examination;
- ~~(d) Endorsement~~
- ~~(e)~~ (d) Biennial renewal;
- ~~(f)~~ (e) Late renewal;
- ~~(g)~~ (f) Reinstatement;
- ~~(h)~~ (g) Any additional fee the Board deems appropriate.

Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 43-1-3; 43-1-7, 43-1-25, 43-11A-7.

RULES COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Walters is related to Continuing Education.

Ms. Fischer reported at the last meeting that the Ethics Rules are in agreement with the American Dietetic Association Ethics Statement. The Board agreed that Ms. Fischer would send a summary of two items that would need to be re-written in order to be compliant.

The Rules Committee will send the rules to Ms. Bond for distribution to other Board Members.

CORRESPONDENCE

A.I. AND T.A. Ms. Walters will draft correspondence to these individuals .

Ms. Walters adjourned the meeting at 11:53 a.m.

Nancy G. Walters, MMSC, RD, LD Chairman

James D. Cleghorn
Acting Executive Director

Minutes Recorded by: Pam Candler, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by: James D. Cleghorn, Acting Executive Director

The minutes were recorded by Pam Candler, Board Support Specialist and approved on _____