

GEORGIA BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 11, 2015

A meeting of the Georgia Board of Dispensing Opticians was held Wednesday, February 11, 2015 @ 10:00 a.m. in the office of the Secretary of State at the Professional Licensing Boards Division at 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia.

Board Members Present:

Diane Drake, Chair
Glenn Morris, Vice-Chair
Lurue Lord
Dave Meldrum

Board Members Absent:

Joseph Reed

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director HC-1
Amanda Allen, Licensing Analyst

Attorney General's Office Representative:

Wylencia Monroe, Esq., Assistant Attorney General
Reagan Dean, Esq., Assistant Attorney General
(By Teleconference - Hearing)

Guests in Attendance:

Mr. TyShawn Connor, Walmart Corporation

Ms. Drake, Chair established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m.

Agenda: Mr. Meldrum moved Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: November 19, 2014, with noted change

Mr. Meldrum moved, Ms. Lord seconded and the Board voted to approve the minutes from the November 19, 2014 Board meeting with the one noted change/correction. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Chair Report:

Ms. Drake noted she and Dr. L. Brown of the GA Board of Optometry had met with the Georgia Cosmetology Board regarding the use and sale of Color or Cosmetic Contact Lenses. The Cosmetology Board has agreed to post information on its website regarding the dangers of the use and unlicensed sale of these unregulated lenses.

Ms. Drake inquired as to any response from Wiregrass Georgia Technical College with regard to progress towards COA Accreditation. Nothing having been received, Ms. Drake requested staff follow up with the opticianry program progress.

Ms. Drake inquired as to the notification by Georgia Piedmont Technical College (formally DeKalb Technical College) about their re-opening of the opticianry program; had they notified the Board for approval? Nothing having been received, Ms. Drake requested a follow up with the college to determine why.

Mr. Meldrum moved, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C. G. A. 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), 43-1-2(k) (3) (4) , 43-1-2(k) (4) and 50-14-4(b) to receive information from the Assistant Attorney General regarding today's public hearing before the Board. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Drake, Meldrum, Lord and Morris.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, Ms. Drake declared the meeting back into “open” session pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were obtained during Executive Session.

Board Hearing: Docket # 2010-2804 Adams, James S.

Ms. Drake called the hearing to order before the Board @ 11:17 a.m. Present were the respondent, Mr. James Stuart Adams. A Court reporter also was present to record the proceedings. Ms. Monroe presented the case to the Board. Mr. Dean provided advice to the Board during the proceedings, and in closed deliberations. Following the hearing, and deliberations by the Board, the Board concluded today’s hearing and presented their decision to the respondent.

Mr. Meldrum moved, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C. G. A. 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), 43-1-2(k) (3) (4) , 43-1-2(k) (4) and 50-14-4(b) to deliberate on today’s hearing before the Board, and receive information from the Assistant Attorney General. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Drake, Meldrum, Lord and Morris.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, Ms. Drake declared the meeting back into “open” session pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were obtained during Executive Session.

Mr. Morris motioned, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board voted to issue a Cease and Desist Order immediately to Mr. Adams requiring he immediately stop all practice. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Director’s Report:

- **420-8-.01 Practical Training & Experience**
 - AAG Monroe advised proposed rule changes as presented cannot be made; statute is currently quoted in rule and Board cannot add/remove language quoted from statutory language used within rule; AAG memo of 11-26-14 made public explains. Ms. Drake will review and revise the proposed rule amendments; present her revisions to the Board next scheduled meeting date.

Ratify List: November 13, 2014 through February 3, 2015

LDO002626	Major, Crystal Yvonne	Dispensing Opticians
LDO002627	Swanagan, Nicole Deann	Dispensing Opticians
LDO002628	Sohahong Kombet, Jemima	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001204	Wilkerson, Kimberly Ann	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001205	Crisp, Jessica Ann	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001206	Barrett, Tara Selena	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001207	Boyer, Katie Renee	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001208	Anderson, Christie Dawn	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001209	Thomas, Chanavian Eylesse	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001210	Tabrizipoor, Saeed Andy	Dispensing Opticians

OPTA001211	Harris, Nicole Michelle	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001212	Braddock, Samantha Denise	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001213	Jones, Amanda Sabrina	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001214	Gillispie, Zara Erline	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001215	Filmore, Kanika Eureka	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001216	Rogers, Beth H	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001217	Randall, Mallorie Commodore	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001218	Reaves, Jyrell C	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001219	Harris, Brooke Danielle	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001220	Wood, Natalie Jayne	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001221	Martin, Jennifer Leigh	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001222	Fordham, Brittany Lynne	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001223	Washam, Kimberly L	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001224	Marsh, Courtney Renee	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001225	Vargas, Jessica Marie	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001226	Simon, Dennis	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001227	Tucker, Hannah Marie	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001228	Cason, Kristen M	Dispensing Opticians
OPTA001229	McLemore, Sherry Yvonne	Dispensing Opticians

Mr. Meldrum motioned, Mr. Morris seconded and the Board voted to approve the ratify listing of licenses issued between meetings administratively. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Meldrum moved, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C. G. A. 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), 43-1-2(k) (3) (4) , 43-1-2(k) (4) and 50-14-4(b) to review and discuss applications, complaints and receive information from the Assistant Attorney General. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Drake, Meldrum, Lord and Morris.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, Ms. Drake declared the meeting back into “open” session @ 1:36 p.m. pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were obtained during Executive Session.

Applications:

Recommendations:

- M.L.J. Reinstated
- R.K. Approved for Registration
- D.A.P. Pending; additional CE Hours required
- J.R.R. Approved for Registration
- J.X.V. Approved
- J.A. Pending; Refer to AG’s Office

Mr. Morris motioned, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board voted to approve the recommendations of the Board members review of all applications presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Cognizant/Complaint Report:

Cases Recommended for Closure:

DISP150001 and DISP150003

Case(s) Recommended for Referral to AG's Office:

DISP090003

Mr. Morris motioned, Ms. Lord seconded and the Board voted for the administrative staff to proceed with actions on all complaints as recommended. None opposed, motion carried.

Attorney General's Report – Ms. Wylencia Hood-Monroe, Esq.

Assistant Attorney General, Wylencia Hood-Monroe provided the Board with a verbal status report which included information on any matters referred for action.

Ms. Lord motioned, Mr. Morris seconded and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General's office report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes:

- November 19, 2014

Mr. Morris motioned, Mr. Meldrum seconded and the Board voted to approve the executive session minutes for the November 19, 2014 board meeting. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Lord moved, Mr. Morris seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

Minutes recorded, reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

DIANE DRAKE
Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN
Executive Director, HC1

Date Approved: **May 13, 2015**