

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF HEARING AID DEALERS & DISPENSERS**  
**Board Meeting June 3, 2008**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers was held on Tuesday, June 3, 2008, at the Professional Licensing Boards Office, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

**The following Board members were present:**

Jeffrey Fargason, ACA, BC-HIS, Chair  
 Vaughn Bray, BC-HIS, CCCA, Vice-Chair  
 Ralph T. Jackson, Jr.  
 Henry Williams Jr., B.A., BC-HIS  
 Kadyn Ochs Williams, Au.D.

**The following Board members were absent:**

Dr. Donald N. Cote, M.D., Board Certified –American Board of Otolaryngology

**Staff Present:**

Becky Boyd, Executive Director  
 Dena Kirkman, Administrative Assistant  
 Carol White, Board Secretary  
 Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General participated by conference phone.

Jeffrey Fargason established that a quorum was present and declared the meeting open at 8:35 A.M.

K. Williams made a motion to **approve** the **minutes** as amended from the March 4, 2008 meeting. The motion was seconded by Jackson and was **adopted** by the Board.

**Ratify New Licensee Candidates:** A motion was made by Bray to ratify the new licensee candidates as listed below. The motion was seconded by K. Williams and was **adopted** by the Board.

License No.	Name	License Type
HAP000091	Brannon, Alexander Means, Jr	Hearing Aid Training Permit
HAP000092	Hamilton III, Clarence Henry	Hearing Aid Training Permit
HAP000093	Kaplan, Diane L	Hearing Aid Training Permit
HAP000094	Murphree, Twana Gail	Hearing Aid Training Permit
HAP000095	Gibson, Tessa Danielle	Hearing Aid Training Permit
HAP000096	Morris, Jason A	Hearing Aid Training Permit
HAP000097	McDonald, William Turner	Hearing Aid Training Permit
HADS000827	Wilbanks, Denise Renee	Hearing Aid Dispenser
HADS000828	Sims, Mary Clyde	Hearing Aid Dispenser
HADS000829	Dillard, Mark J	Hearing Aid Dispenser
HADS000830	Guest, William Jason	Hearing Aid Dispenser

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HADE034884	Audiology Associates of Georgia	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034885	Beltone Hearing Aid Center - Fayetteville	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034886	Beltone Hearing Aid Center - Newnan	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034887	Adams Hearing Aid Specialist	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034888	West Georgia Hearing Services Inc	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034889	Belton Hearing Center-Sandersville,GA	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034890	Belton Service Center Washington	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034891	Belton Hearing Aid Center – Kennesaw	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034892	Belton Hearing Aid Center – Atlanta	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034893	Belton Hearing Aid Center – Gainesville	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034894	Beltone Hearing Aid Center – Roswell	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034895	M & K Hearing Aid Center	Hearing Aid Dealer
HADE034896	My Life of North Georgia – Cartersville	Hearing Aid Dealer

**Public Hearing**

There were no public comments made for Rule Chapters 276-1, 276-2, 276-3, 276-4, 276-5, 276-7, 276-9, 276-11, 276-12 and 276-13.

**Rules Adoption**

Jeffrey Fargason, Board Chair, presented Chapter 276-1, Chapter 276-2, Chapter 276-3, Chapter 276-4, Chapter 276-5, Chapter 276-7, Chapter 276-9, Chapter 276-11, Chapter 276-12, and Chapter 276-13 for adoption at the June 3, 2008 meeting and the Board voted that the formulation and adopt of Chapter 276-1, Chapter 276-2, Chapter 276-3, Chapter 276-4, Chapter 276-5, Chapter 276-7, Chapter 276-9, Chapter 276-11, Chapter 276-12, and Chapter 276-13 does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any license and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2, 43-1-7, 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-20-4, 43-20-6, 43-20-7, 43-20-8, 43-20-9, 43-20-12, 43-20-13, and 43-20-14.

It is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.G.G.A. §§ 43-1-2, 43-1-7, 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-20-4, 43-20-6, 43-20-7, 43-20-8, 43-20-9, 43-20-12, 43-20-13, and 43-20-14 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.G.G.A. § 50-13-4-(3)(A),(B), (C), and (D) . The formulation and adoption of this rule will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the fields of Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers.

Motion Bray, seconded H. Williams and motion carried, to adopt Chapter 276-1, Chapter 276-2, Chapter 276-3, Chapter 276-4, Chapter 276-5, Chapter 276-7, Chapter 276-9, Chapter 276-11, Chapter 276-12 and Chapter 276-13.

**Assistant Attorney General Report**

Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General, provided a status report which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and /or requests for authority for proposed rules. Ms. Monroe advised the Board members they are not required to have their email addresses and phone numbers on the Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers website.

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**Cognizant Report**

HA070011	Recommend to close.
HA070012	Recommend to close.
HA080001	Recommend to close.
HA080002	Recommend to send to AG for Public Consent Order.
HA080003	Recommend to refer to other State Licensing Board.
HA080008	Recommend to send to AG for Public Consent Order.
HA080009	Recommend to refer to Georgia State Board of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology.

A motion was made by Jackson to accept the recommendations as reported by the Cognizant. The motion was seconded by K. Williams and **approved** by the Board.

**Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Becky Boyd shared with the Board that effective April 1, 2008 the mileage reimbursement rate is changing from \$.0485/mile to \$.505/mile. This rate change will also apply for Board Members reimbursement.

Executive Director Boyd presented to the Board a policy for Voluntary C& D orders docketed.

**Miscellaneous**

Motion Jackson, seconded H.Williams and motion carried, to give Becky Boyd, Executive Director, express permission to sign the Voluntary C & D order for the Chairman of the Board when the document is received in Board office.

Motion H. Williams, seconded Jackson and motion carried to approve the Voluntary C & D order effective upon Docketing.

The Board requested Ms. Boyd to compile a list to serve as potentials to serve as examiners for the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by K. Williams and **approved** by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 A.M.

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**Jeffrey Fargason, Chairman**

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**Becky Boyd**  
**Executive Director**

Minutes approved September 9, 2008.

Prepared by: Dena Kirkman, Beverly Cobb and Carol White

Reviewed by: Becky Boyd, Executive Director