

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF HEARING AID DEALERS & DISPENSERS
Board Meeting July 14, 2009

A Conference Call meeting of the Georgia State Board of Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers was held on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 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
Dr. Donald N. Cote, M.D., Board Certified – American Board of Otolaryngology

Board Members Absent:

Kadyn Ochs Williams, Au.D.

Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General

Jeffrey Fargason established that a quorum was present and declared the Public Hearing meeting open at 8:32 A.M.

Public Hearing – Proposed Rule Amendments:

- 276-2-.04(5) Conduct of Examinations
- 276-10-.01 & .02 Continuing Education
- 276-14 Renewal and Reinstatement Process

There were no guests in attendance for the hearing. Mr. Fargason opened the discussion on the proposed rule amendments as posted. Following discussion, the Board made the following decisions regarding the proposed rule amendments.

The Board discussed proposed rule 276-2-.04(5); made the decision to table this particular proposed rule amendment at this time. There was no discussion regarding proposed rule amendments to 276-10-.01 & .02 and 276-14.

The Board voted 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 rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. §43-20-.06.

Additionally, the Board voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. § 43-20-.06 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(3)(A), (B), (C), and (D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed in the field of Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers.

Mr. Jackson moved, Dr. Cote seconded, and the Board voted in favor of tabling proposed Board rule amendment 276-2-.04(5). Four (4) in favor, one (1) opposed; Motion carried.

Dr Cote moved, Mr. Jackson seconded and the Board voted to adopt the proposed rule amendments to 276-10-.01 & .02 and, 276-14. None opposed, motion carried.

Additional Business:

Frederick A. Dyer- **Dr. Cote moved, Mr. Jackson seconded, and the Board voted to refer case to the Assistant Attorney General’s Office to proceed with preparing a Notice of Hearing and Matters Asserted.**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Jackson moved, Mr. Williams seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today’s conference call meeting at 8:50 a.m.

Minutes recorded by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Jeffrey Fargason, Chair
Georgia State Board of Hearing Aid
Dealers and Dispensers

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

These minutes were approved and signed on: _____