

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF HEARING AID DEALERS & DISPENSERS
Board Meeting December 01, 2009

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers was held on Tuesday, December 01, 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

Ralph T. Jackson, Jr.

Henry Williams Jr., B.A., BC-HIS

Kadyn Ochs Williams, Au.D.

Dr. Donald N. Cote, M.D., Board Certified – American Board of Otolaryngology (via conference call)

Board Members Absent:

Vaughn Bray, BC-HIS, CCCA, Vice-Chair

Staff Present:

Deborah Beard, Acting Executive Director

Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist

Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General (via conference call)

Jeffrey Fargason, Chair established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:48 a.m.

Minutes:

Ms. K. Williams moved, Mr. Jackson seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Minutes from the following meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

- September 01, 2009

Executive Director's Report:

1. Ms. Beard notified the Board that the current renewal period had opened and all licensees were now able to renew their license.

Ms. K. Williams moved, Mr. Jackson seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, and to receive the Attorney General and Cognizant Report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Fargason, Jackson, H. Williams, K. Williams and Dr. Cote.

Applications:

Mr. Williams moved, Mr. Jackson seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants applying for licensure as a Hearing Aid Dispenser.

Otis Whitcomb

Approved

Ratify List of Newly Licensed Candidates:

Mr. Jackson moved, Mr. H. Williams seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the list of approvals for licensure determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:

Hearing Aid Apprentice

<u>License No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>License Type</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
HAA000057	May, Barbara Staab	Hearing Aid Apprentice	9/17/2009
HAA000058	Lorentz, Kelly Letchworth	Hearing Aid Apprentice	10/20/2009
HAA000059	Campellone, Christopher	Hearing Aid Apprentice	10/30/2009

Hearing Aid Training Permit

<u>License No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>License Type</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
HAP000126	Campellone, Christopher	Hearing Aid Training Permit	10/6/2009
HAP000127	Potts, Dorothy F.	Hearing Aid Training Permit	10/6/2009
HAP000128	Walz, Courtney Erin	Hearing Aid Training Permit	10/30/2009

Hearing Aid Dispenser

<u>License No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>License Type</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
HADS000852	Hesters, James Edward, Jr.	Hearing Aid Dispenser	9/16/2009
HADS000853	Feltes, Jeffrey Scott	Hearing Aid Dispenser	9/16/2009
HADS000854	Consoer, George L., III	Hearing Aid Dispenser	9/17/2009
HADS000855	May, Barbara Staab	Hearing Aid Dispenser	9/17/2009
HADS000856	Scott, John W.	Hearing Aid Dispenser	10/29/2009

Hearing Aid Dealer

<u>License No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>License Type</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
HADE034927	New Hope Hearing Aids	Hearing Aid Dealer	9/15/2009
HADE034928	Costco Wholesale Corp. #743	Hearing Aid Dealer	9/22/2009
HADE034929	Cumming Hearing Aid Ctr.	Hearing Aid Dealer	9/22/2009
HADE034930	Costco Wholesale Corp	Hearing Aid Dealer	9/23/2009
HADE034931	Rite Sounds Hearing Aids	Hearing Aid Dealer	11/12/2009

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. K. Williams moved, Mr. H. Williams seconded and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General's Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Cognizant Report:

Mr. Jackson gave an update on the pending complaint/investigation cases. The following recommendations were presented to the Board.

Close Cases:

- HA090004, HA080005, HA080009 and HA090009,

Cases Referred to Enforcement:

- HA090006

Cases Pending Enforcement Review:

- HA090008

Pending receipt of additional information:

- HA090002, HA090003, HA090001, HA100001, HA100003 and HA100006,

Mr. H. Williams moved, Ms. K. Williams seconded, and the Board voted to accept Cognizant report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Complaint cases pending the receipt of additional information:

- Complaint # HA100005

Mr. H William moved, Ms. K. Williams seconded, Mr. Jackson abstained, and the Board voted to obtain additional information. None opposed, motion carried.

Additional Business:

- 1. Ms. K. Williams moved, Mr. Jackson seconded, and the Board voted to accept the following 2010 Board meeting dates. None opposed, motion carried.**
 - 03-09-10
 - 06-08-10
 - 09-14-10
 - 12-14-10
2. Board discussed O.C.G.A. §43-20-7(f).

There being no further business to come before the Board, Dr. Cote moved, Mr. Williams seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn today's meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:
Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist
Deborah Beard, Acting Executive Director

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

Deborah Beard, Acting Executive Director
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These minutes were approved and signed on: _____