

The Georgia State Board of Optometry met via Conference Call on **April 9, 2003** at 9:00 A.M. in the offices of the Secretary of State Professional Licensing Boards Division, Macon, Georgia for the purpose of conducting Board business.

Board Members present were:

- H. Kemp Jones, O.D., President
- Kay F. Royal, O.D.
- R. Whitman Lord, O.D.

Others present were:

- Anita O. Martin, Executive Director
- Lea F. Williams, Board Secretary
- Wylencia Monroe, Board Attorney

Dr. Jones established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:15 A.M.

OPEN SESSION:

Chapter 430-10-.03: Dr. Royal made a motion to **post** the proposed amendment to Chapter 430-10-.03, Approved Therapeutic Drugs, adding the drug gatifloxacin to the formulary. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lord, with Dr. Jones in favor of the motion. (Attachment #1)

Dr. Royal further motioned 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. §§ 43-30-5, and 43-30-1(2)(B) &(C), nor that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. §§ 43-30-5, 43-30-1(2)(B) & (C) to adopt or implement differing actions for business as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C), & (D), and that 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 dominate in the field of optometry. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lord, with Dr. Jones in favor of the motion.

February 14, 2003 Conference Call Minutes: Dr. Royal made a motion to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lord and approved by the Board.

March 11, 2003 Conference Call Minutes: Dr. Lord made a motion to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Royal and approved by the Board.

Letter submitted by Timothy Milburn, O.D.: This item was tabled.

Survey submitted by Buzzeo PDMA: The Board answered the survey, and asked that it be faxed back to Buzzeo PDMA.

Roster of New Licensees: Dr. Royal made a motion to **approve** the list of new licensees. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lord and approved by the Board. (Attachment #2)

Request from GOA: The Board **nominated** Dr. Jones to conduct the Jurisprudence class for the GOA's Annual meeting in June.

Contact Lens letter mailed to D.A.'s, Solicitor Generals and law enforcement agencies: The Board discussed the responses received and advised staff on how to answer their questions.

OTHER BUSINESS:

January 29, 2003 Board Meeting Minutes: Dr. Royal made a motion to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lord and approved by the Board.

Dr. Lord motioned, and Dr. Royal seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **EXECUTIVE SESSION** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2) to deliberate on disciplinary matters, and/or to receive investigative reports. Voting in favor of the motion were all those present who included Drs. Lord, Royal, and Jones.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Cognizant Member, Dr. Jones, presented case **#03-034**.

The Board returned to OPEN SESSION.

OPEN SESSION:

Case #03-034: Dr. Jones recommended to send the case to the A.G.'s office for advice. Dr. Lord made a motion to **send** the case to the A.G.'s office for advice as recommended. The motion was seconded by Dr. Royal and approved by the Board.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Conference Call adjourned at 9:40 A.M. on April 9, 2003.