

The Georgia State Board of Optometry met on **October 15, 2003** at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia for the purpose of conducting business.

Members Present:

- William Cuthbertson, O.D.
- Dudley B. Christie, O.D.
- Robin McGhee, O.D.
- Kay F. Royal, O.D.

Others Present:

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

Mrs. Martin, Executive Director, established that a quorum was present, and called the meeting to order in OPEN SESSION at 10:03 A.M.

Dr. Cuthbertson made a motion to nominate Kay Royal, O.D. as the Board's new president. The motion was seconded by Dr. Christie and approved by the Board.

Dr. McGhee made a motion to nominate Whit Lord, O.D. as the Board's vice president. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cuthbertson and approved by the Board.

Roster of New Licensees: Dr. Cuthbertson made a motion to **approve** the roster. The motion was seconded by Dr. Christie and approved by the Board. (Attachment #1)

August 19, 2003 Board Minutes: Dr. Cuthbertson made a motion to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Dr. McGhee and approved by the Board.

Request of Jennifer Ramey, O.D.: Dr. Christie made a motion to **approve** Dr. Ramey's request for a waiver of the one hour jurisprudence CE requirement, due to active military duty. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cuthbertson and approved by the Board.

Request of H. Kemp Jones, O.D.: Dr. McGhee made a motion to **approve** Dr. Jones' request to provide a jurisprudence lecture for the First District Optometric Society on December 4th, 2003 in Statesboro. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cuthbertson and approved by the Board.

Proposed 2004 Meeting Schedule: Dr. Christie made a motion to **approve** the meeting schedule for 2004. The motion was seconded by Dr. McGhee and approved by the Board.

Proposed 2004 Exams Schedule: Dr. Cuthbertson made a motion to **approve** the exams schedule for 2004. The motion was seconded by Dr. Christie and approved by the Board.

Question submitted by Scot M. Werner, O.D.: Dr. McGhee made a motion to **send** Dr. Werner the "No legal advice" letter. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cuthbertson and approved by the Board.

Proposed amendment to Rule 430-10-.03, Approved Therapeutic Drugs: Dr. Cuthbertson made a motion to add the drug **penciclovir** and **post** the proposed rule amendment. The motion was seconded by Dr. McGhee and approved by the Board.

The Board voted that the formulation and adoption of these rules does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rules cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of the applicable laws as provided by the Attorney General's office.

The board also voted that it is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of the applicable laws to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. §50-13-4(3)(A)(B)(C)(D). The formulation and adoption of these rules will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated in the field of Optometry.

Letter submitted by Dawn M. Bristo of the Southern Regional Education Board: Dr. McGhee made a motion to **send** a letter to the appropriate person expressing the Board's concerns with this matter. The motion was seconded by Dr. Christie and approved by the Board.

Dr. McGhee moved, Dr. Christie seconded, and the Board voted to enter into **EXECUTIVE SESSION** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k) and §43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications, receive enforcement's, Board attorney's and cognizants' reports, and meet with applicant(s) appealing previous denial of their application(s). Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Cuthbertson and Royal. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with **OPEN SESSION**.

OPEN SESSION:

M.W.K.: Dr. Cuthbertson made a motion to **approve** the application for licensure. The motion was seconded by Dr. McGhee and approved by the Board.

M.L.C.: The Board tabled this application.

#03-030: Dr. Christie made a motion to **close** the case with a letter of concern, and **refer** the case to the Dispensing Opticians Board. The motion was seconded by Dr. McGhee and approved by the Board.

#03-038: Dr. McGhee made a motion to **dismiss** the case. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cuthbertson and approved by the Board.

#04-002: Dr. Cuthbertson made a motion to **close** the case with a letter of concern. The motion was seconded by Dr. Christie and approved by the Board.

#02-023: Dr. McGhee made a motion to **send** the case our for a peer review. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cuthbertson and approved by the Board.

➤ **Anita O. Martin, Executive Director's Report**

- Updated the Board on the status of renewals.
- Informed the Board of the restructuring of Boards.
- Discussed Board appointments and term expirations.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- The Board nominated Dr. Christie to be the C.E. program reviewer.
- The Board requested Dr. McGhee to keep the Board abreast of new FDA approved drugs that should be added to the Drug Formulary.
- The Board discussed the possibility of having a one hour jurisprudence class available on-line. Dr. Royal will draft a letter to the G.O.A. and S.O.P.O.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M. on October 15, 2003.

Minutes prepared by Board Secretary, Lea Williams.

Minutes reviewed by Executive Director, Anita Martin.

Kay F. Royal, O.D., Board President

Mollie Fleeman, Division Director

Optometry New Licenses: June 26, 2003 through September 29, 2003

License #	Name	Issue Date
OPT002117	Esekheigbe, Luke Irabor	7/1/2003
OPT002118	Cutright, Regina Hatch	7/7/2003
OPT002119	Singh, Lakhvir	7/10/2003
OPT002120	Cutright, Christopher Ryan	8/1/2003
OPT002121	Faulhaber, Brenda Marie	8/1/2003
OPT002122	Faynberg, Yuliya	8/1/2003
OPT002123	Holmes, Joshua Eric	8/1/2003
OPT002124	King, Karen Louise	8/1/2003
OPT002125	Patel, Nilpa	8/1/2003
OPT002126	Patterson, Robert Stokes	8/1/2003
OPT002127	Rossi, Thea	8/1/2003
OPT002128	Sailor, Stephanie Schwarz	8/1/2003
OPT002129	Thornton, William Derrick	8/1/2003
OPT002130	Brooks, Amy Elisabeth	8/28/2003
OPT002131	Chavda, Hema Jitendra	9/5/2003
OPT002132	Bajaj, Ritu	9/12/2003
OPT002133	Islam, Mohammad Kamrul	9/12/2003
OPT002134	Scheetz, Leslie S	9/12/2003