

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
Board Meeting
Professional Licensing Boards
237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA 31217
April 11, 2012

Board Members Present

Robert McCullough, O.D.
Karen Canupp, O.D.
Whit Lord, O.D.
Jerry Prchal, O.D.
Jody Whisenant, O.D.
Ms. Betty Ann Lindsey

Staff Present

Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General – via teleconference
Lisa Durden, Division Director

OPEN SESSION

Dr. McCullough called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Approval of the minutes from the January 25, 2012 Board meeting. Dr. Prchal made a motion to approve the Board minutes. Dr. Whisenant seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Licenses to ratify. Dr. Prchal made a motion to approve. Ms. Lindsey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Rule Waiver Request: Dr. David Peed submitted a request for waiver of Board Rule 430-2-.04(6)(a). Dr. Whisenant made a motion to approve his request to allow Dr. Peed extra time to obtain his CE hours. Dr. Canupp seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve the request for rule waiver.

Correspondence from Vanessa McDonald: The Board stated that it would accept Florida Jurisprudence as a credit hour for practice management, but not in lieu of the Georgia Jurisprudence course requirement.

Board Chair's Report: Dr. McCullough received an inquiry about the DEA and Schedule V medications. Ms. Monroe stated that the Optometry law doesn't speak to Schedule V medications and the Board cannot address this issue with the DEA.

Executive Director Report - Ms. Durden stated that she had contacted ARBO about getting the OE tracker information on optometrists who did not submit all of the required

CE. ARBO has indicated that they will provide this information to the Board. When this information is received, the Board will be notified.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Whisenant made a motion, Dr. Prchal seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2), and 43-11-47(h) to deliberate on enforcement matters and to receive information on investigative reports and the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Drs. Canupp, Lord, and Ms. Lindsey. The Board concluded the Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and continue with the public session.

Cognizant /Investigative Report and Recommendations– Jody Whisenant, O.D.

OPT120011 - Close with no violation.

OPT110048 – Close with no violation.

OPT110051 - Close with no violation.

OPT120008 – Close, but the Board may reconsider this complaint if the respondent applies for reinstatement.

Applications

P.L.S. – Reinstatement application – approve upon receipt of Florida verification

P.O.S. – Endorsement application – approve upon receipt of California verification

C.M.S. – Reinstatement application – approve upon receipt of deficient items.

D.L.R. – Renewal Application – If he submits verification of his participation in the A.A. or substance abuse program, his renewal can be approved.

Attorney General's Report – Ms. Wylencia Monroe

- Submitted a Private Consent Order from D.W.B. to be accepted.

OPEN SESSION

Dr. McCullough declared the Board back into open session.

Ms. Lindsey made a motion to accept the Private Consent Order from D.W.B.

Dr. Canupp seconded the motion, and the Board voted to accept the Private Consent Order.

Dr. Whisenant made a motion to approve the recommendations in Executive Session regarding the applications. Dr. Lord seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Dr. Lord made a motion to approve the recommendations in Executive Session regarding complaints. Dr. Canupp seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The next Board meeting is scheduled as a teleconference to begin at 10:00 a.m. on July 25, 2012.

Dr. Canupp made a motion to adjourn, Ms. Lindsey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.