

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
Board Meeting Minutes
Professional Licensing Boards
237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA
April 16, 2014 * 10:00 a.m.

The Georgia State Board of Optometry met on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members participating:

Board Members Present:

Robert McCullough, O.D.
Jerry Prchal, O.D.
Jody Whisenant, O.D.
Karen Canupp, O.D.
Larry Brown, O.D.

Board Members Absent:

Betty Ann Lindsey, Consumer Member

Staff Present

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Hope Harrison, Board Support Specialist

Attorney General's Office

Wylencia Monroe, Asst. Attorney General

Dr. McCullough established a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

New Board Member/Reappointments - Oaths of Office:

Jerry Prchal, O.D. and Jody Whisenant, O.D. received reappointments to the Board and completed their Oaths of Office.

The Board welcomes Larry Brown, O.D. to the Board; Dr. Brown's Oath of Office was administered.

Agenda: Approved with a rules discussion on rule 430-2-.05 added as a late agenda item.

Meeting Minutes: January 15, 2014

Dr. Prchal moved, Dr. Canupp seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 15, 2014 open session meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Chair Report: No report presented.

Executive Director's Report: No report presented.

Rule Discussion:

- 295-15-.01 State Examining Boards Inactive Status Licenses
 - The Georgia Board of Optometry has been added.
- 430-2-.04 Continuing Education
- 430-2-.05 Requirements for Inactive License Status
- 430-2-.06 To Reactivate an Inactive License
- 430-2-.09 To Reinstate a Lapsed License

The above rules were posted for review purposes. The Board members will review the above rules and will discuss any proposed changes at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Correspondence:

- T. Czyz – Laws and Rules Question

- Z. Trotter – Laws and Rules Question

Dr. Whisenant moved, Dr. Canupp seconded, and the Board voted to authorize the administrative staff to respond to correspondence as directed. None opposed, motion carried.

Miscellaneous Board Discussion Items:

- Application Ratify List – January 9, 2014 to April 10, 2014:

OPT002799	Nelson, Natalie Lou Ellen
OPT002800	Desai, Erica R
OPT002801	Nguyen, Janine Tran Ngoc
OPT002802	Spiegel, Michael G
OPT002803	Phebus, Mark Randall\
OPT002804	Park, Arthur Chul
OPT002805	Candela, Peter V
OPT002806	McAfee, Richard S
OPT002807	Anderson, Patricia

Dr. Prchal moved, Dr. Whisenant seconded, and the Board voted to approve the application ratify list as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

- An ARBO Southern Regional Meeting Report was presented by Dr. Brown. Dr. Brown noted that the Alabama Alcohol Control Board is cooperating with the Alabama Optometry Board to include an inspection for colored contact lenses in convenience stores. A recommendation was made for the Executive Director to contact the Georgia Department of Revenue/Georgia Department of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms to see if they may be willing to work with the Georgia Board of Optometry on the sale of colored contact lenses in Georgia stores.
- CE Review – The Board discussed the option of reviewing the ARBO continuing education list for Georgia licensees following licensure renewals.

Dr. Canupp moved, 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 43-1-2(k) to deliberate on application and to receive the Assistant Attorney General’s report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Robert McCullough, Jerry Prchal, Karen Canupp, Jody Whisenant and Larry Brown.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, the meeting was declared to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

Applications: None presented for Board review.

Complaints/Compliance:

Investigative Interview:

OPT140008

Case(s) Pending Receipt of Additional Information:

OPT140011 and OPT140013

Case(s) Closed:

OPT140008, OPT140012 and OPT140014

Dr. Canupp moved, Dr. Prchal seconded, and the Board voted to accept the recommendations of the Cognizant report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Attorney General's Report:

A written status and activity report was provided for Board review.

Dr. Whisenant moved, Dr. Prchal seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes: January 15, 2014

Dr. Brown moved, Dr. Canupp seconded, and the Board voted to approve the January 15, 2014 Executive Session minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Hope Harrison, Board Support Specialist, HC1
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC 1

Dr. Robert McCullough
Dr. Robert McCullough, Chair



Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director HC1

These minutes were approved on: July 16, 2014