

Georgia State Board of Podiatry Examiners
Board Meeting Minutes
August 3, 2007

The Georgia State Board of Podiatry Examiners met on Friday, August 3, 2007 at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia, for the purpose of conducting Board business.

Members Present:

- Dr. Christoph C. Zenker, President
- Dr. Sarvepalli D. Jokhai, Cognizant
- Dr. William B. Turner
- Ms. Judith G. Sanders

Staff Present:

- Lisa Durden, Executive Director
- Ajay Gohil, Assistant Attorney General via videoconference

CALL TO ORDER- The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by Dr. Zenker.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion, Zenker seconded Jokhai, and motion carried 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 applications and investigations. Voting in favor of the motion was Sanders.

In the conclusion of the Executive Session, the Board returned to Open Session to vote on the matters discussed in Executive Session and to conduct other Board business.

Agenda Items

- 1) Dr. Zenker motioned, Dr. Turner seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda.
- 2) Dr. Zenker motioned, Ms. Sanders seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 1, 2007.
- 3) Dr. Eric D. Gruen submitted a request to have the supervision sanction in section 1(a) and the prescription writing sanction in section 1(c) of his Consent Order lifted. Dr. Zenker made a motion that this request be approved; Dr. Jokhai seconded the motion. The Board voted in favor of the motion.
- 4) T.A.B. requested that the conditions of his Private Consent Order be terminated. Dr. Jokhai made a motion to terminate the conditions of the Private Consent Order; Dr. Turner seconded the motion. The Board voted in favor of the motion.

- 5) Order on Motion for Default Judgment (Otero v. Vito, USDC, 5:04-CV-211) reviewed by the Board as informational.
- 6) Notice from the National Practitioner's Data Bank was reviewed. Motion by Dr. Zenker and second by Dr. Jokhai to send letter of concern to E.M. The Board voted in favor of the motion.
- 7) A motion was made by Dr. Zenker and it was seconded by Ms. Sanders to ratify the licenses issued from May 23, 2007 through August 2, 2007. The Board voted to ratify the licenses.

LICENSE NO	LICENSEE NAME	LICENSE TYPE	STATUS	ISSUE DATE	EXPIRATION DATE
POD001080	Anna, Christopher D.	Podiatrist	Active	7/31/2007	8/31/2009
POD001081	Bell, David Allen	Podiatrist	Active	7/31/2007	8/31/2009
POD001082	Cass, Andrea Dawn	Podiatrist	Active	7/31/2007	8/31/2009
POD001083	Dhulipala, Neeharika	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001084	Ejaife, Ivie	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001085	Futch, Jefferson	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001086	Gordon, Alena	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001087	Hyneman, Morgan C	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001088	Thomas, Jeremy	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001089	Ton, Diana Ngoc	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001090	Wamack, C Jason	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001091	Webb, Latashia	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001092	Dalmia, Lopa	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001093	Eilts, Cameron Larry	Podiatrist	Active	8/1/2007	8/31/2009
POD001094	Mason, Timothy P	Podiatrist	Active	8/2/2007	8/31/2009

REPORTS

(SOME OF THESE ITEMS WERE CONDUCTED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION)

APPLICATIONS

1) MLDM - reciprocity applicant. Dr. Zenker made a motion to obtain more information from the applicant and from the National Healthcare Data Bank; motion was seconded by Dr. Jokhai. The Board voted in favor of the motion.

COGNIZANT REPORT

- 1) POD070041 - Dr. Jokhai reported that more information was needed. Dr. Zenker will research this matter.

- 2) POD080001 - Dr. Jokhai made a motion to refer the case to the Attorney General's office for a Public Consent Order with the following sanctions: Cease and Desist leg lengthening procedures and issue a public reprimand. Dr. Turner seconded the motion. The Board voted in favor of the motion.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 1) POD070036 - Staff wrote to complainant on July 3, 2007 to obtain more information before the records could be obtained; no response has been received to date. No further action can be taken until this information is received.
- 2) License renewals are in progress. Some problems with continuing education audits have been discovered. Letters have been sent to these podiatrists giving them until the end of the renewal period to obtain approved hours.

BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

- 1) Ajay Gohil will be leaving the Attorney General's office. The Board presented him with a plaque thanking him for his service to the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1) Request from Dr. Buddy Pitts concerning an appropriate license status. The Board directed staff to send a letter informing him about the Inactive Status.
- 2) GPMA has requested to be given new licensee contact information for the purposes of sending each new licensee an informational packet which will contain educational information about practicing podiatry in Georgia. Dr. Zenker made a motion that this request be approved; Dr. Turner seconded the motion. The Board voted in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Dr. Zenker and seconded by Dr. Turner, and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

Minutes recorded, prepared and edited by Lisa Durden, Executive Director.

Dr. Christoph C. Zenker
President

Lisa Durden
Executive Director

Minutes approved at the November 2, 2007 meeting.

