

**Georgia State Board of Podiatry Examiners
Minutes of Board Meeting
October 30, 2009**

The Georgia State Board of Podiatry Examiners met on Friday, October 30, 2009, at 1:00 p.m., at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia, for the purpose of conducting Board business.

Board Members Present:

- Dr. Sarvepalli D. Jokhai, Chair
- Dr. William B. Turner, Vice-Chair
- Dr. Richard Mistretta
- Mrs. Judith G. Sanders

Administrative Staff Present:

- Deborah Beard, Acting Executive Director
- Graham Baron, Assistant Attorney General (via video conference)
- Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist
- Serena Gadson, Licensure Supervisor

Dr. Jokhai established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Announcements:

Dr. Turner announced that Dr. Jokhai had been elected as the new President of GPMA (Georgia Podiatric Medical Association).

Correspondences:

Correspondence reviewed and discussed.

- Stacey Handley, National Baromedical Services, Inc.
- Diadra Wright

Dr. Tuner motioned, Dr. Mistretta seconded, and the Board voted for the administrative staff to respond to all correspondence presented to the Board as directed. None opposed, motion carried.

Minutes:

Ms. Sanders motioned, Dr. Mistretta seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Minutes from the July 31, 2009 meeting as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Rule Discussion:

The Board discussed drafting a rule regarding Licensure by Endorsement.

Dr. Turner motioned, Ms. Sanders seconded and the Board voted to defer creation of the rule to the sub-committee. None opposed, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

1. Ms. Beard updated the Board on how many licensees had completed the current renewal process.
2. Ms. Beard informed the Board that a link had been placed on the Board’s website regarding the H1N1 vaccination.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Sanders motioned; Dr. Mistretta seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, receive the Attorney General’s, Cognizant, and Enforcement Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members: Jokhai, Turner, Mistretta, and Sanders.

APPLICATIONS:

Dr. Turner motioned, and Ms. Sanders seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on licensure by Examination:

Gephart, Tammy	Approved for licensure
Richardson, Hugh	Approved for licensure
Winston, Courtney	Approved for licensure

Dr. Turner motioned, and Ms. Sanders seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on licensees requesting inactive status:

Shaw, Alan	Approved
J.W.	Denied; Requirements of Rule 500-4-02 not met.
Hauser, Joseph	Approved

RATIFY LIST OF APPROVED LICENSEES:

Dr. Turner motioned, and Ms. Sanders seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the list of applicants approved for licensure as a Podiatrist between Board meetings as follows:

License No.	Licensee	Issue Date
POD001120	Andreone, David	8/03/2009
POD001121	Griffin, Shanta	8/03/2009

COGNIZANT REPORT:

Complaint Cases Closed:

- POD080014, POD090011

Complaint Cases Referred to Enforcement:

- POD080007, POD080009, POD080014, and POD080013

Complaint case pending further review:

- POD090018

Ms. Sanders motioned, Dr. Mistretta seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Cognizant report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Assistant Attorney General, Graham Barron provided the Board with a status report.

Ms. Sanders motioned, Dr. Mistretta seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented during executive session. None opposed, motion carried.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

1. **Dr. Mistretta motioned, Ms. Sanders seconded, and the Board voted to approve the 2010 proposed Board meeting dates. None opposed, motion carried.**
 - 01-29-2010, 04-30-2010, 07-30-2010 and 10-29-2010

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Sanders motioned, Dr, Mistretta seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:36 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:
Minutes reviewed and edited by:

**Amanda M. Allen, Board Support Specialist
Deborah Beard, Acting Executive Director**

Dr. Sarvepalli D. Jokhai, Chair

Deborah Beard, Acting Executive Director

These minutes were signed and approved on _____.