

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY**  
**Teleconference Minutes**  
**October 3, 2014 \* 1:00pm**

The Georgia State Board of Podiatry met on Friday, October 3, 2014. The following members were present:

**Board Members Present**

Dr. Leonard LaRussa-President  
Dr. William B. Turner-Vice President  
Dr. Rudolf Cisco-Cognizant

**Administrative Staff Present**

Adrienne Price, Executive Director  
Wanda Jaffe, Licensing Supervisor  
Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist

**Office of Attorney General**

Amelia Baker, Assistant Attorney General

**Visitors Present**

None

Dr. LaRussa established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:02pm.

**OPEN SESSION**

**Open Session Minutes**

1. July 25, 2014

Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the July 25, 2014 open session minutes.

**Licenses to Ratify July 19, 2014-September 26, 2014**

Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the ratification list as presented.

**Correspondence from Jeff Loveland – Request for Continuing Medical Education (CME) Approval**

The Board recommends tabling this correspondence and request additional information regarding the number of credit hours being requested for approval of this course, as it has to be approved by the Council of Podiatric Medicine.

**Discussion – 500-3-.01 Limited Temporary License**

The Board recommends tabling the discussion of the rule until the next meeting.

**Discussion – 500-4-.01 Renewal of License**

The Board recommends tabling the discussion of the rule until the next meeting.

**Discussion – 500-5-.01 Continuing Education Hours**

The Board recommends tabling the discussion of the rule until the next meeting.

**Discussion – 500-5-.02 Continuing Education Reporting and Auditing**

The Board recommends tabling the discussion of the rule until the next meeting.

**Discussion – Wall Street Journal –State Licensing Boards under Fire**

The Board accepts the correspondence in reference to whether or not licensing boards staffed with business owners and professionals may adequately regulate their own markets without oversight from government employees as information.

**2015 Board Meeting Dates**

Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. LaRussa seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the 2015 Board Meeting Dates as presented.

**2015 Board Elections**

Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Board Elections for 2015.

President	Dr. Leonard LaRussa
Vice President	Dr. William Turner
Cognizant	Dr. Rudolf Cisco
Applications	Dr. William Turner

**Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Adrienne Price presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications and complaints/compliance. Ms. Price also presented the Board with a data poll from twelve

other states related to Establishing Doctor Patient Relationships via Electronics/Technology as requested in the July 25, 2014 Board meeting. Six (6) of twelve (12) states were silent on the issue, five (5) prohibited telemedicine to establish the doctor-patient relationship and one (1) state allowed it under certain conditions. A follow up report to include additional states will be presented during the next meeting. The Board accepts the report as presented.

**Miscellaneous** Assistant Attorney General Amelia Baker noted that the Georgia Composite Medical Board recently adopted rule 360-3-.07 Practice Through Electronic or Other Such Means. She provided a verbal synopsis of the rule and advised she would forward a copy of the rule to the Board for consideration.

**Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner 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 Board members present: Dr. LaRussa, Dr. Turner, and Dr. Cisco**

**At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Friday, October 3, 2014, Dr. LaRussa declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.**

**OPEN SESSION**

**Executive Session Minutes: July 25, 2014** Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the July 25, 2014 executive session minutes.

**Applications**

1. C.L.E. Dr. Turner motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion approve for licensure.
2. C.S.E. Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve for licensure.

**Attorney General’s Report- Mrs. Amelia Baker** Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Attorney General’s report as presented.

1. POD000705 Rescind the previous motion to issue a Private Consent Agreement for Reinstatement of Licensure and flag the applicant’s files for continuing education audit. Request the applicant to submit the final disposition of malpractice case within ten (10) days of adjudication.

**Cognizant’s Report – Dr. Rudy Cisco** Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Cognizant’s Report as presented.

1. POD150001 Close case, no action

No further business was discussed and the meeting adjournment at 2:03pm.

<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist
<b>Minutes reviewed and edited by:</b>	Wanda Jaffe, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
<b>Minutes approved on:</b>	January 30, 2015

**LEONARD LARUSSA**  
**BOARD PRESIDENT**

**ADRIENNE PRICE**  
**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**