

GEORGIA BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF LICENSED DIETITIANS
Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m.

The Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians met via teleconference Friday, September 13, 2019 at the Professional Licensing Boards Division, located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

Board Members Present:

Holly Thaw, MS, RDN, LD, Chair
Susan Chapman, MS, RD, LD, Vice-Chair
Linette Dodson, Ph.D., RD, LD, SN
Anita Nucci, Ph.D., MPH, RD, LD
*Nina B. Witkofsky, Consumer Member
*Newly appointed Board member Ms. Witkofsky joined the Board meeting today after being sworn in (Oath of Office) by Governor Brian Kemp

Board Members Absent:

Licensed Dietitian (Vacant)
Community/Public Health LD Member (VACANT)

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Office of Attorney General:

Melissa Tracy, Esq., A.A.G.

Ms. Thaw Chair, established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Agenda: Approved with one late agenda item:

- PLB Legal Section – J. Uzzo, Esq., - Revision to Joint Secretary Rule 295-2 Expiration and Renewal Dates

Visitor:

- GAND Liaison, Jill McCoy (open session)

Executive Session:

Dr. Nucci moved, Ms. Chapman seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19(h), O.C.G.A. § 43-26-5(c) and O.C.G.A. § 43-26-11 to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, Complaints, the Assistant Attorney General’s report and to review the previous meetings Executive Session meeting minutes. Voting in favor of the motion were those Board members present: Thaw, Chapman, Nucci, Witkofsky and Dodson.

Applications:

(There were no applications to be presented to the Board this date)

Recommendation:

AG’s Office Report:

Melissa Tracy, Assistant Attorney General - presented a status report to the Board.

Cognizant’s/Complaints Report: *No report presented due to no current open cases*

Executive Session Minutes:

- June 14, 2019 C.C.

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, September 13, 2019, Ms. Thaw 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.

Meeting Minutes:

- June 14, 2019 C.C.

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

Ms. Chapman moved, Dr. Nucci seconded, and the Board voted to approve the June 14, 2019 Conference Call Executive Session Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Chapman moved, Dr. Nucci seconded, and the Board voted to approve the June 14, 2019 Conference Call Meeting Minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

PLB Legal Section – J. Uzzo, Esq.

Proposed revision to Joint Secretary Rule 295-2-.06 Licenses Expiring March 31 – Even Years
The proposed revision to the Joint Secretary rule will change the Diet Board's late renewal period from three months (i.e. April 1 to June 30 of even years) to a one month period, April 1 to April 30 of even numbered years. The proposed revision of this rule (295-2) is for all professional licensing Boards served administratively by the Professional Licensing Boards Division who currently have more than a one month late renewal period.

Ms. Uzzo explained that once the revised rule is adopted, it would not become effective until the renewal cycle of March 31, 2022 for this Board. This proposed change will not affect the upcoming renewal in March of 2020, the current three month late renewal period will remain effective.

Following discussion, Dr. Dodson motioned, Dr. Nucci seconded and the Board voted in favor of the Division Director moving forward with the proposed rule amendments to the Joint Secretary rule 295-2-06. None opposed, motion carried.

Correspondence:

S. Blomeley – RE Supervision
Provisionally Licensed Individuals

Recommendation:

The Board suggested the facility follow all policies and procedures in place in addition to following the criteria Set forth in Board rule 157-7 Provisional Permits

Dr. Nucci motioned, Dr. Dodson seconded, and the Board voted to approve for Board Staff to respond as directed to correspondences listed above. None opposed, motion carried.

GAND Liaison: Jill McCoy

Ms. McCoy provided the Board with an update of recent and upcoming GAND activities. Her report included a reminder for the annual ACE meeting scheduled for March 25 – 26, 2020 to be held in Decatur, GA.

Misc. Discussion Items:

- Disciplinary Issues Grid – *Executive Director Zimmerman will re-post the grid discussed by the Board over the last couple of years for the next scheduled meeting for final review and discussion.*

Rules Discussion:

- 157-6-.01 Code of Conduct

Ms. Chapman and Ms. Dodson presented to the Board a list of additions to the Board's current rule 157-6-.01 Code of Conduct, during the Board's January 2019 meeting. Those suggestions were revisited this meeting. The suggestions will be incorporated into the current rule and sent to the Board's rules committee and Chair. Once reviewed, the Board will scheduled an additional rules committee conference call for finalization of any proposed amendments to the current rule, to be followed by an official Board vote during the December 2019 meeting to refer the rule to the AG's office for a memorandum of authority and to post the proposed rule amendments upon receipt, for the required minimum of thirty days for public view and comment, with a rule hearing to be conducted the next available Board meeting.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 6/15/2019 - 9/11/2019

LD-P000263	Maggie Lin McCall	Dietitian
LD-P000264	Caroline Margaret Wells	Dietitian
LD-P000265	Ashley Annette Fivecoate	Dietitian
LD-P000266	Kaci Brooke Day	Dietitian
LD-P000267	Lori Mae Crosby	Dietitian
LD-P000268	Emily Laurel Coleman	Dietitian
LD005374	Kasey Jo Brixius	Dietitian
LD005375	Melissa Christine Majumdar	Dietitian
LD005376	Morgan Kimberly Scheu	Dietitian
LD005377	Kendall Elizabeth Patterson	Dietitian
LD005378	Mary Sullivan Ellinger	Dietitian
LD005379	Megan T McLean	Dietitian
LD005380	Jennifer Patricia Russell	Dietitian
LD005381	Bianca Daniflle Arney	Dietitian
LD005382	Emily Ann Gimm	Dietitian
LD005383	Cheryl Lynn Coleman	Dietitian
LD005384	Jessica Elaine Younkman	Dietitian
LD005385	Neysa Alexandra Serra-Valentin	Dietitian
LD005386	Paz Petel Cochon	Dietitian
LD005387	Kathleen Marie Norris	Dietitian
LD005388	Lindsay Lipton	Dietitian
LD005389	Shannon Nicole Daneshmand	Dietitian
LD005390	Noelle Marie Stock	Dietitian
LD005391	Kimberly Rose Vede	Dietitian
LD005392	Jordan Merideth DaSilva	Dietitian
LD005393	Michele Ellen Gehr	Dietitian
LD005394	Evan Chandler Burrowes	Dietitian
LD005395	April Lynn Perkins	Dietitian
LD005396	Kaitlin Gray Little	Dietitian
LD005397	Elizabeth Anne Anderton	Dietitian
LD005398	Lauree Chabert Slingerland	Dietitian
LD005399	Courtney Tayler Crumpton	Dietitian
LD005400	Meredith Marie Byrd	Dietitian
LD005401	Shainece D'Ariel Miller	Dietitian

Dr. Nucci moved, Ms. Witkofsky seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the listing of licenses issued between meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Minutes recorded reviewed and edited by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

HOLLY THAW

Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director

These minutes were approved: December 13, 2019