

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 24, 2010**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Dispensing Opticians was held on Wednesday, March 24, 2010, in Room 102 of the office of the Secretary of State at the Professional Licensing Boards Division at 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Steve Sanford, Chairman
Diane Drake, Vice-Chair
Dave Meldrum
Thomas Schulz

Board Members Absent:

Glenn Morris

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General (via video conference)
Serena Gadson, Licensure Supervisor
Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist

Mr. Sanford established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

AGENDA:

Approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded, and the Board voted to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2010 meeting as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

No report presented.

Apprenticeship Registration Discussion:

Board continued their discussion from the January meeting regarding revising the acronym used to identify the registered apprentices. Board concluded that the acronym should read Dispensing Optician Apprentice (DOA) verses the current Opticians Apprentice (OPTA).

Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded, and the Board voted to revise the apprenticeship registration acronym from OPTA to DOA. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Policy: Incomplete Applications

After an in-depth discussion, the Board stated that all incomplete applications will be voided and withdrawn from the system after two years from date of receipt. All applicants whose file has been voided and withdrawn from the system will have to reapply for licensure.

Mr. Schulz moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded, and the Board voted to accept the above policy as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

OPTA000723	Dalton, Tabitha M	3/12/2010
OPTA000724	Vega, Leigh Ann	3/18/2010
OPTA000725	Daniel, John Michael	3/18/2010

Reinstatement Applicants

License No.	Licensee	Date Reinstated
LDO001950	Kyle, Sarah Anne	3/19/2010
LDO002193	Atkins, Jacqueline Flores	1/19/2010

ENFORCEMENT:

- DISP090006 Refer back to investigations to obtain additional information.
- DISP090020 Refer back to investigations to obtain additional information.

Mr. Schulz moved, Mr. Meldrum seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Enforcement report as presented by Ms. Drake. None opposed, motion carried.

COGNIZANT REPORT:

Ms. Drake gave an update on the pending complaint/investigation cases.

Complaint Cases Closed

- DISP090022 and DISP100007

Complaint Cases Referred to Investigations

- DISP100008 and DISP100009

Mr. Schulz moved, Mr. Schulz seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Cognizant Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT:

Ms. Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General, provided a status report, which included information on any cases referred for action, requests for advice and/or requests for authority for proposed rules.

Ms. Drake moved, Mr. Schulz seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Attorney General's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

ADDITIONAL BOARD BUSINESS:

The Board held a brief discussion regarding proposed legislation increasing many fees statewide. At this time, the *Board does not intend to increase* any of the fees established. The Board will continue to discuss this matter as the proposed legislation moves through the process.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Meldrum moved, Ms. Drake seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

Minutes recorded by:	Amanda M. Allen, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by:	Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Steve Sanford, Board Chairman

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

DATE SIGNED AND APPROVED: _____