

GEORGIA BOARD OF DISPENSING OPTICIANS
Conference Call Board Meeting Minutes
March 24, 2020 8:30 A.M.

The Georgia Board of Dispensing Opticians met via teleconference on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 @ 8:30 a.m. in the office of the Secretary of State at the Professional Licensing Boards Division at 237 Coliseum Drive in Macon, Georgia 31217.

Board Members Present:

Glenn Morris, Chair
Dave Meldrum, Vice-Chair
Amy Stowers
Gloria Ethridge
Mary Ramsey

Board Members Absent:

Consumer Member (Vacant Seat)

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director HC-1
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Attorney General's Office Representative:

Melissa Tracy AAG (via Teleconference)

Mr. Morris, Chair, established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Agenda: Approved as presented

Mr. Meldrum moved, Ms. Stowers seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), 43-1-2(k) (3) (4), 43-1-2(k) (4) and 50-14-4(b) to review the applications discussed. Voting in favor of the motion were those Board members present: Morris, Meldrum, Ethridge, Stowers and Ramsey.

Application Reviewed:

- S.H.

Recommendation:

Tabled; Pending receipt of additional information

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Tuesday, March 24, 2020, Mr. Morris declared the meeting back into "open" session pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were obtained during Executive Session.

Petition for Rule Waiver/Variance:

- Stephen Helwig

Recommendation:

Deny; No proven hardship

Mr. Meldrum motioned, Ms. Ethridge seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition request for S. Helwig due to a unique, substantial and verifiable hardship not being demonstrated. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Ethridge moved, Ms. Stowers seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

Minute recorded by:

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

GLENN MORRIS

Chair

Meeting minutes were approved on: **April 8, 2020**

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director, HC1