

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
Conference Call - May 22, 2006

A conference call meeting of the Georgia State Board of Optometry was held on Monday, May 22, 2006 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 310, Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board members were present:

Kay Royal, President
Dudley Christie
H. Kemp Jones
Patricia Donnelly

Absent:

R. Whitman Lord
Bill Sharpton
Wylencia Monroe

Others Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, and Sheila Sryock, Board Secretary.

President Royal established that a quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m.

Dr. Christie moved and Dr. Jones seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(1)(2), 43-1-19(h)(2)&(4), §43-1-2(k)(4) and 50-14-2(1) to deliberate on the Cognizant Report and to receive information. In favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Kay Royal, H. Kemp Jones, Dudley Christie and Patricia Donnelly. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Cognizant Report:

Dr. Christie moved and Ms. Donnelly seconded and the Board voted to accept the cognizant recommendation on the following complaint:

OPT060013: Recommendation to pursue warrant to remove Lenses from the business via cooperation between the local law enforcement agency, the local DA's office and SOS Investigations based on non-compliance with a previous Cease & Desist order.

Ms. Donnelly moved and Dr. Christie seconded and the Board voted to accept the Consent Order as presented on the following case. Board vote was three to one with Dr. Jones in objection:

Gege Odion: Recommendation to accept the signed Public Consent Order with Continuing Education audits for the next two biennium renewals.

Discussion:

Kaiser Permanente: Board inquired as to any additional response from the Insurance Commissioners office: None. Requested staff send follow up correspondence to the Commissioner with regard to the previous correspondence on October 31, 2005. Board also requests this discussion be continued in future Board meetings until a satisfactory resolution is obtained.

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Minutes recorded by: Sheila Sryock, Board Secretary
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Kay F. Royal, President

Mollie L. Fleeman, Division Director