

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY**  
**Committee Meeting**  
**Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia**  
**January 16, 2009**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kay Royal, President  
Harley Kemp Jones  
Bill Sharpton

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

R. Whitman Lord, Vice President  
Dudley B. Christie

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Lisa Durden, Executive Director  
Wylencia Monroe, Assistant Attorney General  
Jody Pierce, Administrative Specialist

**VISITORS**

Randall Vaughn – Division Director  
Jim Cleghorn, Business Analyst  
Craig Fluck, Examinations  
Russell Lewis – Investigations

President Kay Royal called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. While a quorum was not established for a regular board meeting, the members present chose to continue as a committee meeting so that recommendations could be made to the full board at a later time.

Mr. Vaughn and Mr. Fluck appeared before the board to discuss the plan to pursue outsourcing examinations.

Mr. Fluck presented the 2008 Licensure Examination Report.

The committee expressed concerns as to the length of time it took for a referral to be made from the Board office to the Attorney General's office in a complaint case.

The committee recommended that former board member, Vera Burns, OD, be allowed to provide the SoPO Jurisprudence course. The Board will provide her with an outline.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Approval of October 22, 2008 minutes
2. Ratification of 15 licenses presented by the Executive Director.
3. Application for TEF – Recommendation to approve
4. OPT090001 – Application has been denied; recommendation to close.
5. OPT080018 – Recommendation to close.
6. OPT090019 – Recommendation to close.
7. OPT090008 – Recommendation to close with letter of concern including a statement about “attention to standard of care.”
8. OPT080040 – Ms. Monroe has mailed a proposed Private Consent Order to licensee. A copy has been provided to board members. Recommendation that it become effective upon docketing and to authorize Executive Director to sign the President’s name with permission upon receipt.
9. OPT090014 – Recommendation to close the case with no violations.
10. OPT090012 – Recommendation to close with no violations.
11. OPT090013 – Refer to Dispensing Optician Board
12. OPT080039 – Recommendation to conduct investigative interview. Motion to accept all cases above Jones; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lord.
13. Discussion about proposed a law change to state that a licensee convicted of unlicensed practice would be imprisoned for 1 to 5 years plus up to \$5,000 fine. This would require a change to 43-30-14. This change will be drafted.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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Kay Royal, President  
Georgia State Board of Optometry

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Lisa Durden, Executive Director  
Professional Licensing Boards Division

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