GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY
Board Meeting Minutes
Professional Licensing Boards
237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA
January 30, 2015 - 1:00pm

The Georgia State Board of Podiatry met on Friday, January 30, 2015. The following members were present:

Board Members Present
Dr. Leonard LaRussa-President
Dr. Rudolf Cisco-Cognizant
Dr. William B. Turner-Vice President (via teleconference)

Administrative Staff Present
Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Wanda Jaffe, Licensing Supervisor
Kathy Osier, Licensing Supervisor
Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist

Office of Attorney General
Janet Jackson, Assistant Attorney General

Visitors Present
None

OPEN SESSION

Dr. LaRussa established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:04pm.

Agenda: The Board accepts the agenda as presented.

Open Session Minutes: 10-03-2014 Teleconference
Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the October 03, 2014 open session teleconference minutes.

Licenses to Ratify September 27, 2014 – January 23, 2015
Dr. Turner motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the ratification list as presented.

Correspondence – Dr. Russell Ellicott – Request for Reconsideration of Board Rule 500-5-.01
Dr. Turner motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer the writer to O.C.G.A. § 50-13-9 and suggest that if he has a substantial hardship in this matter he may submit a rule waiver request for the Board to consider.

Correspondence – Dr. Wesley L. Daniel – Scope of Practice
Dr. Turner motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer the correspondence to the Attorney General's Office for memorandum of advice prior to formulating a response to the writer.

Discussion – Board Rule 500-2-.02 Reinstatement of Licensure
Dr. Turner motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer Board Rule 500-2-.02 Reinstatement of License to the Attorney General's Office for memorandum of authority and if no objections, vote to post.

Discussion – Board Rule 500-3-.01 Limited Temporary License
Dr. Turner motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer Board Rule 500-3-.01 Limited Temporary License to the Attorney General's Office for memorandum of authority and if no objections, vote to post.

Discussion – Board Rule 500-4-.01 Renewal of License
Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer Board Rule 500-4-.01 Renewal of License to the Attorney General's Office for memorandum of authority and if no objections, vote to post.

Discussion – Board Rule 500-4-.02 Inactive License
The Board recommends tabling the discussion of the rule until the next meeting and submit a request to the Secretary of State to amend rule 295-15-.01 to include Podiatry.

<u>Discussion – Board Rule 500-5-.01 Continuing Education Hours</u>
Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer Board Rule 500-5-.01 Continuing Education Hours to the Attorney General's Office for memorandum of authority and if no objections, vote to post.

<u>Discussion – Board Rule 500-5-.02 Continuing Education Reporting and Auditing</u>
Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer Board Rule 500-5-.02 Continuing Education Reporting and Auditing to the Attorney General's Office for memorandum of authority and if no objections, vote to post.

<u>Discussion – GA Composite Medical Board Rule 360-3-.07</u>
Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. LaRussa seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer Board Rule 360-3-.07 to the Attorney General's Office for memorandum of advice regarding DEA rules for prescribing of controlled substances in relation to telemedicine.
Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer Board Rule 360-3-07 to the Rules Committee to include language to address telemedicine.

<u>Discussion - Telemedicine</u>
The Board accepts the correspondence in reference to Telemedicine as information.

<u>Board President's Report – L. LaRussa</u>
The Board accepts the verbal report as presented

<u>Executive Director's Report – A. Price</u>
Executive Director's report presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications, renewals and complaints/compliance. Ms. Price presented the Board with an update on the North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners vs. Federal Trade Commission which is currently being heard before the Supreme Court, pre-filed bills in the Georgia General Assembly and reminded the Board Members of the annual filing requirements with the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission. The Board accepts the report as presented.

<u>Miscellaneous</u>
<u>Discussion - Proposed Amendment LC362610</u> The Board reviewed the proposed amendment to O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2 which will allow the Board to designate another entity to accept applications for examinations on the Board's behalf.

Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Turner seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, receive the Attorney General's, Cognizant, and Enforcement Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those Board members present: Dr. LaRussa, Dr. Turner, and Dr. Cisco

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Friday, January 30, 2015, Dr. LaRussa declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 <u>et seq</u>. No votes were taken during executive session.

OPEN SESSION

<u>Executive Minutes: 10-03-2014 Teleconference</u>
Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. LaRussa seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the October 03, 2014 executive session teleconference minutes.

<u>Applications for Board Review</u>
1. C.O. Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion grant an extension for the expiration of the application until February 28, 2015.
2. A.W. Dr. Cisco motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve for licensure.

<u>Attorney General's Report- J. Jackson</u>
Dr. Turner motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Attorney General's report as presented.

Cognizant's Report – Dr. Rudy Cisco

Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Turner seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept and proceed with the Cognizant's recommendations on the following cases:

1. POD140009 Close the case and recommend that the respondent maintain a manifest or some other form of documentation regarding the proper disposal of medications in the future.
2. POD140010 Release the respondent from the terms of the Private Consent Order
3. POD150004 Close with no action.

Miscellaneous

1. POD140016 W.H. Dr. LaRussa motioned, Dr. Cisco seconded and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to refer to the attorney general's office to notify the licensee that the fine must be paid in full within thirty (30) days and a failure to do so will result in a hearing for revocation of licensure.

Adjournment No further business was discussed and the meeting adjournment at 3:22pm.

Minutes recorded by: Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Wanda Jaffe, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: April 10, 2015

LEONARD LARUSSA
BOARD PRESIDENT

ADRIENNE PRICE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR