

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF HEARING AID DEALERS & DISPENSERS
Conf. Call/ZOOM Board Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2023 * 8:30 AM

The Georgia State Board of Hearing Aid Dealers and Dispensers met via teleconference/ZOOM on Tuesday, March 14, 2023. The Board's Executive Director hosted the meeting from the Professional Licensing Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

Board Members Present:

Ralph T. Jackson, Jr., Chair
Jason Murphy, Vice-Chair
William L. ("Bill") Herndon, Consumer Member
Kadyn Ochs-Williams, Audiologist
Dr. Donald N. Cote, M.D; ABO Board Certified
Gwendolyn Cantrell, HA Dispenser
(HA Dispenser – Vacant Seat)

Board Members Absent:

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor
Kathy Jones, Licensing Analyst

Attorney General's Office:

Alison Spencer, AAG

Mr. Jackson, Chair, established that a quorum was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Agenda: Approved with late agenda items:

- Board Rule Discussion - 276-9-.01 Apprentice Permit – Schedule Rule Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes:

- December 13, 2022 C.C. Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

Mr. Herndon moved, Mr. Murphy seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 13, 2022 C.C./Zoom Meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Application Ratify List: Issued Date: 12/14/2022 - 3/13/2023

License No.	Licensee
HAA000210	Brianna Virginia Wisehart
HAA000211	Zachary Austin Samples
HAA000212	Siavash Ghanean
HAA000213	Douglas M Block
HAA000214	Sharon Renee Martin
HAA000215	Mallie Karon Brown
HAA000216	Clark Edward Holloman
HAA000217	Joshua Dane Perry
HAA000218	Christian Allen Rivera
HAA000219	Richard Andrew Stumpf
HAA000220	Cristy Curles Holloman
HAA000221	Annabelle Grace Noegel

HADE035425	Audiology Services Company USA, LLC d/b/a
HADE035426	Belton Hearing Aid Center
HADS001095	Corine Mendoza Davis
HADS001096	Christina Stephenie Crouch
HADS001097	Madelaine Hunter Graham
HADS001098	Douglas M Block
HADS001099	Leslie Marie Johnston
HADS001100	Talema Evelyn Brown-Cannon
HADS001101	Kari L Piestrak
HAP000410	Beth Suzanne Wilkinson
HAP000411	Samuel Robert Tracas
HAP000412	Stephani Jo Peterson
HAP000413	Wendy Irene Banks
HAP000414	Dianna Janea Wasson
HAP000415	Myra Kathryn Wilson
HAP000416	Susan Erika Vasquez
HAP000417	Lisa Michele Brooks
HAP000418	Walani Delene Vancleave Driver
HAP000419	Kellen Ray Oldham
TOTAL:	31

Mr. Herndon moved, Ms. Ochs-Williams seconded, and the Board voted to approve the application ratify list of licenses issued between meetings as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Ochs-Williams moved, Ms. Cantrell seconded, and the Board voted to enter Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), for the purpose of reviewing of applications, the previous meetings Executive session minutes, receive the Assistant Attorney General and Cognizant (Complaints) Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Jackson, Murphy, Ochs-Williams, Cote, Herndon and Cantrell.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, Mr. Jackson declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were obtained during Executive Session

Applications: *No applications presented*

Cognizant (Complaints) Report: *No report presented – tabled until June 13, 2023 Board meeting*

Assistant Attorney General Report:

Alison Spencer, 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. Ochs-Williams moved, Dr. Cote seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Assistant Attorney General’s Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Session Minutes:

- December 13, 2022 Conf. Call Board Meeting

Recommendation:

Approve as presented

Dr. Cote moved, Ms. Cantrell seconded, and the Board voted to approve the December 13, 2022 Executive Session Conf. Call/Zoom Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Rules Discussion: *Tabled for further review*

After discussion, the Board decided to table any rules discussion for today's meeting for a scheduled rules committee meeting. A rules committee meeting of the Board has been scheduled for April 4, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

Please Note: Prior to today's scheduled Board meeting, Mr. Vaughn Bray sent notice to the Boards Executive Director, B. Zimmerman, that he will be resigning from the Board, effective immediately. The Board would like to acknowledge all of Mr. Bray's outstanding support of licensees and the public. Mr. Bray has served on this Board for over 21 years.

Mr. Murphy motioned, Ms. Ochs-Williams seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 a.m. None opposed, motion carried.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director, HC-1

RALPH JACKSON

Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director, HC-1

Minutes approved: **June 13, 2023**