

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
Board Meeting Minutes of January 3, 2024 * 8:30 a.m.
Conference Call/Webex

The Georgia State Board of Optometry met via teleconference/Webex on Wednesday, January 3, 2024 at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. The Board's Executive Director hosted the meeting remotely.

Board Members Present:

Robert "Bob" McCullough, O.D., President
Paul Ajamian, O.D., Vice-President
Jeffrey Hackleman, O.D.
Jeanne Perrine, O.D.
Ellen Fitzgerald, O.D.
B. Thassanee Gutter-Parker – Consumer Member

Attorney General's Office

Bryon Thernes, AAG

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist
Sarah Collet, Licensing Analyst
Deshauna Thornton, Licensing Analyst

Dr. Bob McCullough, President, established a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Agenda: Approved with no additional items

Petitions for Rule Waiver/Variance:

- L. Brown – Rule 430-2-.04
- N. Lastinger - Rule 430-2-.04
- K. Clary-Brooks - Rule 430-2-.04
- O. Adegbile - Rule 430-2-.04

Recommendation:

Grant
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Deny; No Substantial Hardship

Dr. McCullough motioned, Dr. Ajamian seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for L. Brown and allow the licensee to obtain the 2022-2023 required CE hours online as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Fitzgerald motioned, Dr. Perrine seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for N. Lastinger and allow the licensee to obtain the 2022-2023 required CE hours online as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Fitzgerald motioned, Dr. Hackleman seconded, and the Board voted to grant the petition for K. Clary-Brooks and the allow licensee to obtain the 2022-2023 required CE hours online as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Dr. Fitzgerald motioned, Dr. Hackleman seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition for O. Adegbile for failure to demonstrate a substantial hardship as required. None opposed, motion carried.

There being no further business for discussion, the Board meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

DR. ROBERT McCULLOUGH

President

Minutes reviewed and approved **February 14, 2023**

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Executive Director HCI