

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY EXAMINERS
Board WebEx Meeting Minutes
Friday, January 23, 2026 – 1:00 p.m.

The Georgia State Board of Podiatry Examiners met via WebEx on Friday, January 23, 2026. The following members were present:

Board Members Present

Dr. Gregory Kramer, DPM, Chairman
Dr. Joseph Giovinco, DPM, Vice Chair
Dr. Rupal Gupta, DPM, Board Member

Board Members Absent

No Members absent.

Visitors Present

Rita Rocker, GPMA
Teanne Rose, Propelus CE Broker

Administrative Staff Present

Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor
Sherry Strong, Complaint/Compliance Analyst
LaTavia Bearden, Licensing Analyst
Monessa Cuby, Licensing and Complaint Analyst
Ky Greene, Temporary Employee

Office of Attorney General

Craig Pake, Assistant Attorney General

Administrative Staff Absent

Michelle Hornaday, Board Support Specialist

Call to Order Dr. Kramer established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 1:13 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Agenda Dr. Giovinco motioned, Dr. Kramer seconded, seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

Open Session Minutes – October 17, 2025 Board WebEx Meeting Minutes

Dr. Giovinco motioned, Dr. Gupta seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the October 17, 2025 Open Session Board WebEx Meeting minutes as presented.

Licenses to Ratify: October 10, 2025 – January 15, 2026

Dr. Giovinco motioned, Dr. Gupta seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to ratify the licenses by application and by reinstatement that were issued in accordance with Board Rules and Policies between Board meetings.

CE Broker Presentation – 1:30 p.m.

Teanne Rose acclimated the Board Members with The CE Broker platform and then graduated to the use of CE Broker, walking through the steps of use, showcasing the sign up flow and account options, and how to report continuing education. She noted that Propelus CE Broker works with more than 350 unique professions and partners with more than 6500 education providers to encourage professional development and support CE compliance.

Discussion – Federation of Podiatric Medical Boards (FPMB)

1. Board Attorneys Community of Practice Session
2. FREE Community of Practice Session (attended by Board Member, Dr. Gupta)
3. CPME Call for Comment - Rewrite of the College Documents

The Board accepts the correspondence regarding FPMB as information.

Discussion – Council on Podiatric Medical Education (CPME) – October 2025 Report of the Council

The Board accepts the correspondence regarding CPME as information.

Executive Director’s Report – A. Price

The Executive Director’s Report presented the Board with statistical data relevant to the processing of applications, the number of licensees, and complaints/compliance matters. Other relevant topics included:

- Vacant Board Seat
- PLB Updates
- Georgia General Assembly

Dr. Kramer motioned, Dr. Giovinco seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Executive Director’s Report as presented.

Board President’s Report – G. Kramer, DPM

No report presented.

Dr. Kramer motioned, Dr. Gupta seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§ 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19 (h) and 50-14-2 (1) to receive and review information pertaining to applications, pending cases, investigative reports and enforcement matters and to receive the Assistant Attorney General’s report. Voting in favor of the motion were those Board members present: Dr. Kramer, Dr. Giovinco, and Dr. Gupta.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Friday, January 23, 2026, Dr. Kramer 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 taken during executive session.

OPEN SESSION

Executive Session Minutes – October 17, 2025 Executive Session WebEx Meeting Minutes

Dr. Kramer motioned, Dr. Gupta seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to approve the October 17, 2025 Executive Session Board WebEx Meeting Minutes as presented.

Attorney General’s Report – C. Pake

Dr. Kramer motioned, Dr. Gupta seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Attorney General’s report and advice as presented.

Cognizant Summary Report – J. Giovinco, DPM

Dr. Kramer motioned, Dr. Gupta seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the following recommendations made in Executive Session:

- POD260012** Close the case.
- POD250003** Close the case due to insufficient evidence to initiate further investigation.
- POD250013** Tabled pending review by Dr. Kramer. Dr. Giovinco recused himself.

Complaint Status Report

The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to accept the Complaint Status Report as presented.

Miscellaneous Executive Discussion - POD250016

Dr. Kramer motioned, Dr. Gupta seconded, and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion to table and send a mitigating circumstance letter via certified mail regarding delay in care, and to please provide documentation of any processes put in place to ensure that such incidents do not occur in the future.

Adjournment With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

Minutes recorded by: Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor
Minutes reviewed and edited by: Meagan Doss, Licensing Supervisor & Adrienne Price, Executive Director
Minutes approved on: April 24, 2026

GREGORY KRAMER, DPM
BOARD CHAIRPERSON

ADRIENNE PRICE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

STATE OF GEORGIA

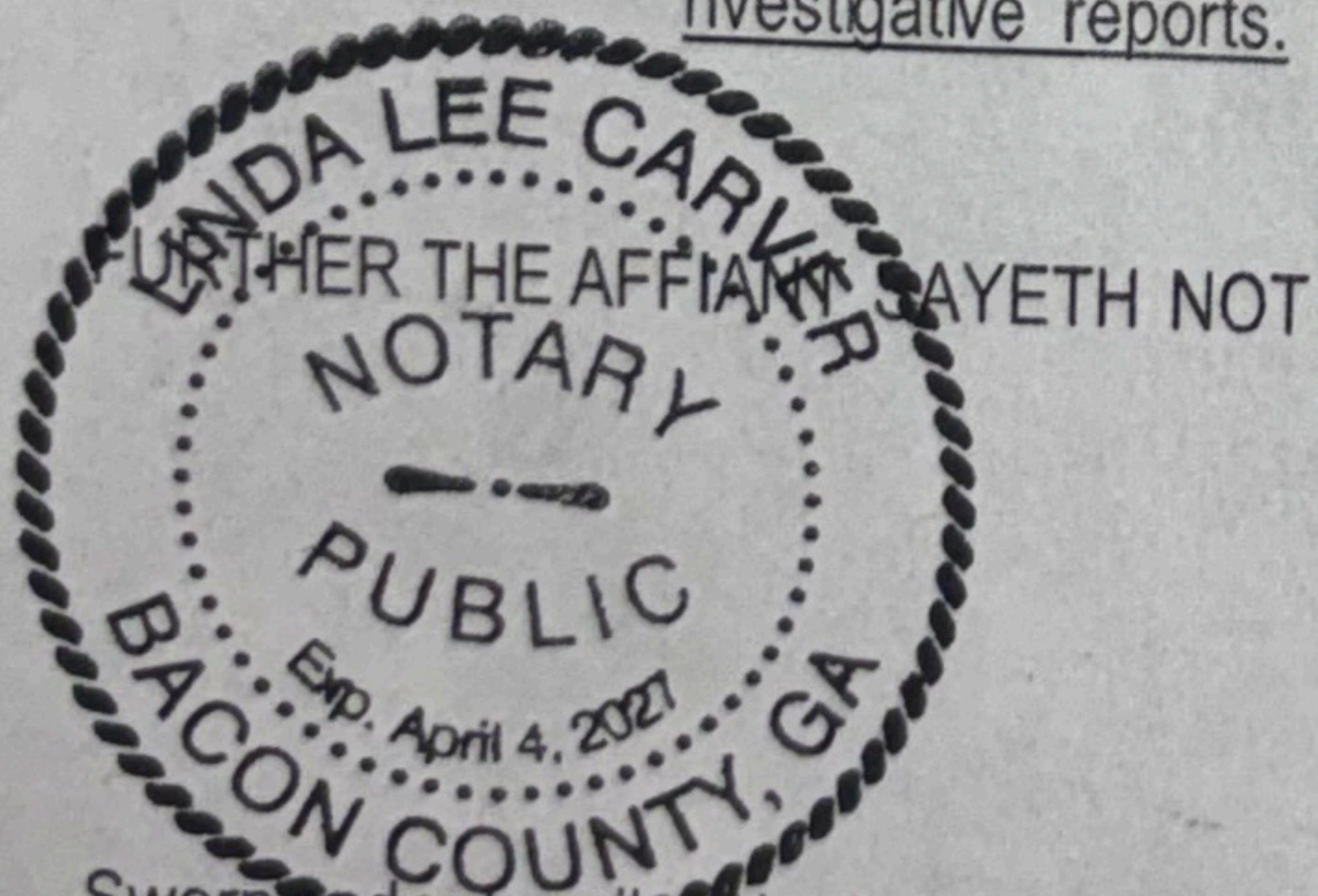
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**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING OF
PUBLIC MEETING**

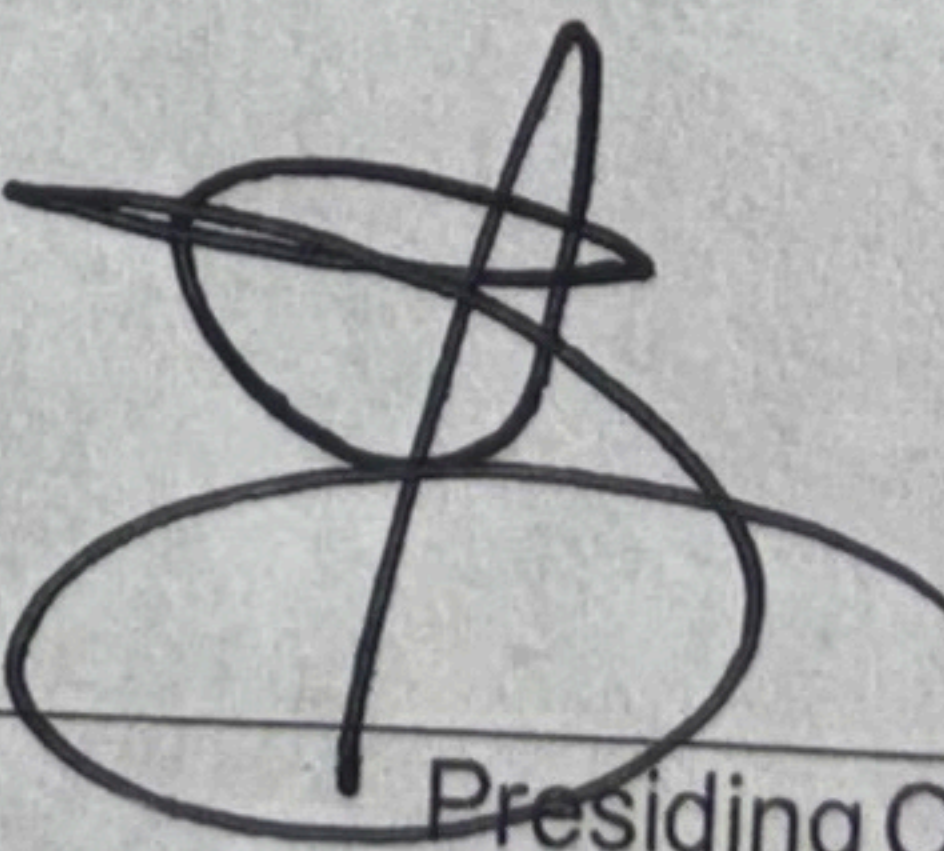
The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 *et seq.*, requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now Gregory J. Kaur, Jr. the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the Ga State Board of Podiatry Examiners Board.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all other aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On, January 25th 2026 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.
4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:
O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k) and 43-1-19(h)
5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:
To deliberate applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports.



Sworn and subscribed before me
This 26th day of JANUARY 2026



Presiding Officer

Linda Lee Carver
Notary Public