

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS BOARD OF EXAMINERS
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES
MARCH 7, 2006**

The meeting of the New Jersey State Orthotics and Prosthetics Board of Examiners was held on March 7, 2006 at the State Office Building at 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, NJ. The meeting was convened in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act with previous notification having been sent to the Secretary of State and the following publications: The Record in Bergen County, The Star Ledger, Camden Courier Post, Trenton Times, Aisling Swift Press of Atlantic City and Asbury Park Press, to advise of the scheduling of this meeting. The meeting was called to order by Dana Baptista, C.P., (Chair) at 10:25 A.M

OPENING STATEMENT - Reading of "The Sunshine Law"

PRESENT - Board Members: Dana Baptista, C.P., (Chair) Louis J. Haberman, C.P.O., (Vice-Chair) Mildred Carlascio, C.O., Brooke T. Artesi, L.O., CPED and Robert C. Manfredi, Jr., C.P.O.

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy Director, Anthony Miragliotta Ethics Officer, Robert Campanelli Regulatory Analyst, Charles Manning Deputy Attorney General, Chief of Professional Board Section, Sandra Dick, Deputy Attorney General Swang Oo, Deputy Attorney General Paula S. Alvarez Managing Executive Director Susan Gartland Executive Director Laura L. Anderson and Recording Secretary Maria A. Ormeno-Bertorelli

ABSENT - Board members: Heikki Uustal, M.D.

MINUTES - THE BOARD, UPON MOTION MADE BY BROOKE T. ARTESI AND SECONDED BY MILDRED E. CARLASCIO, VOTED TO ACCEPT THE JANUARY 24, 2006 PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES AS PRESENTED.

The vote was unanimous

I. RULES AND REGULATIONS

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Adopted New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:44H.6.3

Adopted Amendment: N.J.A.C. 13:44h-10.1.

The Board reviewed the continuing education rule and amendment adoption published in the February 6, 2006 issue of the New Jersey Register and discussed the implementation of same.

THE BOARD UPON MOTION MADE BY LOUIS J. HABERMAN AND SECONDED BY MILDRED E. CARLASCIO VOTED TO ACCEPT THE NEW RULE AND AMENDMENT ADOPTION. THE BOARD ALSO DETERMINED THAT ALL LICENSEES IN NEW JERSEY TO BE NOTIFIED THAT CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT HAS BEEN SET FOR YEAR 2009. THEREFORE PROGRAMS ATTENDED TO COMPLY WITH THIS REGULATIONS TO BE COMPLETED BETWEEN RENEWAL PERIOD 2007-2009. REQUIREMENTS OF CONTINUING EDUCATION TO BE ALSO STATED IN THE RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR PERIOD 2007-2009.

THE BOARD ALSO REQUEST THAT A MAILING BE SENT TO ALL LICENSEES, O & P EDGE MAGAZINE, NEWSPAPERS, AMERICAN BOARD FOR CERTIFICATION IN ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS AND OUR DISTRIBUTION LIST REGARDING THE CONTINUING EDUCATION NEW RULE AND AMENDMENT.

B. 1,900 HRS. CLINICAL INTERNSHIP

1. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:44H-3.4; 13:44H-3.1, Regulatory Analyst Charles Manning assisted the Board regarding interpretation of above regulation and made suggestions as to the implementation of this requirement.

THE BOARD UPON MOTION MADE BY MILDRED E. CARLASCIO AND SECONDED BY ROBERT C. MANFREDI JR., VOTED THAT FURTHER DISCUSSION IS NEEDED, THE BOARD ASKED MR. MANNING TO RETURN TO THE NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION AND TO POSSIBLE PREPARE A DRAFT FOR A REGULATION.

II. BOARD MEMBERS ORIENTATION

Anthony Miragliotta, Deputy Director; Robert Campanelli, Ethics Officer, Sandra Dick, Deputy Attorney General, Chief of Professional Board Section and Swang Oo, Deputy Attorney General, made a presentation/orientation to all the Board member regarding

their performance and duties as a Board member in accordance with the laws and administrative rules of the State of New Jersey. Each one of the speakers presented the Board with a complete orientation , information scope and purpose within their areas of expertise to assist the members to serve effectively as a member of a licensing board of the State of New Jersey.

III APPLICATIONS REVIEW

1. The Board upon motion made by Brooke T. Artessi and seconded by Mildred E. Carlascio voted to approve the following applicants for licensure:

ORTHOTICS & PROSTHETICS

Geoffrey Hill

ORTHOTICS

James Falcone

Daryl Fornuff

The Board, upon motion made by Louis J. Haberman and seconded by Robert Manfredi Jr, voted to approve the following applicants for licensure, however, since these licenses are being issued to Certified Pedortist in order to avoid misrepresentation to the consumer, asked that the printing of these specific licenses provide the appropriate limitations of its type. "limited to the ankle and below only".

Licenses to be issued to the following Certified Pedortists

ORTHOTICS & PROSTHETICS (Limited to the ankle and below only)

Igor Fooks

Charles Stout

IV. NEW BUSINESS

CORRESPONDENCE

DeWall Enterprises, Inc

Terry DeWall.

The Board reviewed and considered a letter from Terry DeWall, owner of DeWall Enterprises, Inc. forwarded to the Board by the Division of Consumer Affairs Director's office, requesting a waiver of orthotics and prosthetics

licensure for his invention the "DeWall Posture Protector".

THE BOARD UPON MOTION MADE BY MILDRED E. CARLASCIO AND SECONDED BY ROBERT C. MANFREDI, JR., VOTED THAT A LETTER TO BE SENT TO MR. DeWALL ADVISING HIM THAT HIS REQUEST MAY NOT BE GRANTED SINCE LICENSURE IN NEW JERSEY IS A STATUTORY REQUIREMENT.

At 2:45 P.M. the Board upon motion made by Mildred E. Carlascio and seconded by Louis J. Haberman, voted to move into Executive Session to consider and to review consumer complaints, investigative reports and other information received pursuant to the Board's regulations. The results of these deliberations will be made known when and if the Board determines to initiate disciplinary or other enforcement action. If the Board determines to issue any sanction, that disciplinary action will be taken in public session immediately after the session.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura L. Anderson
Executive Director