



**Ohio Board of Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology
77 South High Street, 16th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215**

Board Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 7, 2017

The Regular Business Meeting was called to order at 8:51 a.m. by Chairperson, Tammy H. Brown, M.A., held at the Vern Riffe Center for Government, 77 South High St., 31st Floor – East A, Columbus, OH 43215.

Board Members – Roll Call:

Tammy H. Brown, M.A., CCC-A, Board Certified in Audiology, FAAA, Audiology Board Member and Chairperson

Angie N. King, Public Member

Helen L. Mayle, Public Member

Barbara L. Prakup, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Speech-Language Pathology Board Member

Carrie L. Spangler, Au.D., CCC-A, FAAA, Audiology Board Member and Vice Chairperson

Excused Absence:

Lisa A. Froehlich, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Speech-Language Pathology Board Member

Also Present:

Gregg B. Thornton, Executive Director

Connie J. Stansberry, Investigator

Brandy R. Thomas, Administrative Professional

Darlene D. Young, Executive Office Administrator

Cheryl R. Hawkinson, Senior Assistant Attorney General

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

There were no comments from the public or professional organizations.

AGENDA

The agenda for the March 7, 2016, regular board meeting was presented and reviewed.

Motion #1

Ms. King moved to accept the agenda as submitted. Dr. Prakup seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the December 13, 2016 board meeting were reviewed.

Motion #2

Ms. Mayle moved to accept the corrected minutes of the December 13, 2016 board meeting. Dr. Spangler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD BUSINESS

A. 2017 Strategic Planning

The Board held its annual strategic planning session. The Board reviewed professional issues impacting consumers and prioritized initiatives that will be under review during the 2017 calendar year.

The Board recessed at approximately 10:05 a.m. and returned to Public Session at approximately 10:08 a.m.

PROPOSED DISCIPLINARY ACTION HEARINGS PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE CHAPTER 119

Rikki Conley, Case No. 2017-06

At approximately 10:09 a.m., the Board conducted an administrative disciplinary hearing, pursuant to Goldman v. State Medical Board of Ohio, in the matter of Rikki Conley. The Board was represented by Senior Assistant Attorney General, Cheryl R. Hawkinson. Ms. Conley did not request a hearing and there were no other individuals present. Ms. Brown presided over the disciplinary hearing. The hearing concluded at approximately 10:30 a.m.

QUASI-JUDICIAL DELIBERATION, PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE CHAPTER 119

Rikki Conley, Case No. 2017-06

At approximately 10:31 a.m., the Board recessed for the purpose of having a quasi-judicial deliberation, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119, in the matter of Rikki Conley. The Board invited Mr. Thornton to remain in attendance.

Dr. Froehlich was not in attendance at the board meeting. Investigator Stansberry and Assistant Attorney General Hawkinson were recused and for the record did not participate in the deliberations or any vote on this matter.

The Board returned to Public Session at approximately 10:46 a.m.

Board Actions – Adjudication Order – Rikki Conley, SP. 12314

The Board made the following “Findings of Fact” in the matter of Rikki Conley:

Findings of Fact:

1. Ms. Conley is licensed as a speech-language pathologist in the State of Ohio, license number SP.12314.
2. On July 21, 2016, the Board received an initial application from Ms. Conley for licensure as a speech-language pathologist via other state waiver option.

3. Ms. Conley answered “No” on her licensure application to question number 13, “Have you ever been arrested, charged and/or convicted, pled guilty or no contest, or been granted intervention in lieu of conviction for any misdemeanor or other criminal offense in the State of Ohio or in any other state, commonwealth, territory, province, or country, (other than a minor traffic violations?”
4. The Board subsequently became aware that Ms. Conley had been convicted of (1) Theft by Deception on July 26, 2010; (2) Theft by Unlawful Taking/Shoplifting on March 15, 2011, and (3) Violation of Emergency Protective Order/Domestic Violence Order on April 5, 2012 which she failed to disclose on her application for licensure.
5. State’s Exhibits #1-9 were introduced and accepted as evidence in this matter.
6. The testimony and the Exhibits establish that Ms. Conley failed to disclose misdemeanor convictions on her licensure application.

Motion #3:

Ms. King moved to accept the findings of fact in the matter of Rikki Conley, Case No. 2017-06. Dr. Prakup seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board made the following “Conclusions of Law” in the matter of Rikki Conley:

Conclusions of Law:

1. With regard to Count 1 contained in the Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, Ms. Conley failed to disclose misdemeanor convictions on her initial licensure application for speech-language pathology, which constitutes a violation of Ohio Rev. Code 4753.10 (A) and (M) and Ohio Administrative Codes 4753-3-08 (A) and (M) and 4753-9-01 (B)(1)(a) and (c).

Motion #4:

Dr. Spangler moved to accept the conclusions of law in the matter of Rikki Conley, Case No. 2017-06. Ms. Mayle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board made the following “Order” in the matter of Rikki Conley:

Board Order:

1. The Board hereby revokes Ms. Conley’s license to practice speech-language pathology in the state of Ohio.

Motion #5:

Dr. Prakup moved to accept the Board’s order in the matter of Rikki Conley, Case No. 2017-06. Dr. Spangler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD BUSINESS - Continued**A. 2017 Strategic Planning**

The Board resumed its strategic planning session for calendar year 2017 to identify and prioritize professional issues impacting consumers.

BOARD ETHICS TRAINING

Pursuant to Governor Kasich’s Executive Order 2011-03K the board members and staff held an ethics training session, facilitated by Mr. Thornton and Assistant Attorney General Cheryl Hawkinson.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Tammy Brown thanked the board staff for their hard work in preparing for the new eLicense system expected in June.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Thornton submitted a written report of significant activities occurring since the last Board meeting. He provided updates regarding:

- Significant meetings, presentations, and events;
- Legislative and media contacts;
- Year-to-date revenue and expenditures for FY2017;
- Significant legislation;
- Status of the new eLicensing 3.0 system;
- Budgeting process for FY2018-2019;
- Licensure renewal campaign;
- School Medicaid reimbursement;
- Related Service Provider Workgroup;
- Ethics financial disclosure statements;
- FY 2016-2017 audit by the State Auditor's Office;
- Board's Annual Report;
- Board appointments;
- Continuing education audits;
- Board Policy Updates; and
- Spring eNewsletter

Motion #6

Ms. Brown moved to adopt board policy 08-03 – Response to Active Aggressor. Ms. King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

Assistant Attorney General Cheryl Hawkinson updated the Board on HB 290 which was passed into law in December 2016. The law requires all boards to adopt rules that allow licensees to satisfy up to one-third of their continuing education requirements by providing services under their scope of practice to uninsured or indigent individuals. She also updated the Board regarding the Ohio Uniform Interstate Deposition and Discovery Act.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion #7

Ms. Brown moved to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing issues with the Attorney General's Representative on matters of pending or imminent court action pursuant to R.C. §121.22.(G)(3), and which requires that such matters be kept confidential under R.C. §149.43.(A)(2). Dr. Spangler seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote as follows:

Ms. Brown: yes; Dr. Froehlich: absent; Ms. King: yes; Ms. Mayle: yes; Dr. Prakup: yes; Dr. Spangler: yes

The Board went into Executive Session at 2:26 p.m. and invited Board staff and Assistant Attorney General Hawkinson to remain in attendance.

The Board returned to Public Session at 2:35 p.m.

Case number 2016-49

Assistant Attorney General Hawkinson presented the Board with a proposed settlement that the Investigative Review Group considered by opposing counsel in Case No. 2016-49. The Board considered the Investigative Review Group's recommendation and instructed Assistant Attorney General Hawkinson to inform opposing counsel that the Board did not accept the proposed settlement offer and intends to hold the administrative hearing, at a later time, the Respondent requested.

INVESTIGATIONS

B. Board Actions

Previously Heard by the Board - 2

2016-26

This case involves Tarah Lewis, COND.2016157, a conditionally licensed speech-language pathologist, who under her second conditional license entered into a Consent Agreement May 11, 2016 for the following reasons:

- In 2014 she obtained employment and did not submit an original Supervised Professional Experience (SPE) Plan; she submitted a copy of her Plan 258 days late;
- Receipt of her SPE Report and Contacts Log (Report/Log) indicated completion of 36 fulltime weeks of experience; however, she actually completed 31;
- In August 2015 she obtained new employment and practiced 49 days under her conditional license, unsupervised and without an approved Plan. She provided service for 18 of the 49 days.

Per the Consent Agreement, her license to practice was suspended for 49 days, with 25 days stayed. She was required to continue completing the new fulltime SPE she started in October 2015, under the approved Plan and supervision. Her Plan approved end date was October 19, 2016. The Board received her Report/Log on November 22, 2016, which verified completion of 36 fulltime weeks; however, it listed that her experience ended November 4, 2016, sixteen days beyond the end date. She and her SPE supervisor did not communicate with the Board or request an extension. She was not under an approved Amended Plan during the sixteen days.

At the December 13, 2016 board meeting, the board agreed with the Investigative Review Group Committee's recommendation to offer her a new Consent Agreement due to this being her second offense while under the terms of a Consent. *She agreed to the following terms and conditions and signed the Consent for violation of Ohio Revised Code section 4753.10(I) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4753-3-07(E)(d)(e):*

- *Grant her speech-language pathology license upon entering into a new Consent;*

- *Reprimand her speech-language pathology license;*
- *Complete 10 hours of continuing education in record keeping. Proof of these 10 hours shall be submitted to the Board office 60 days from the date the Board approves the new Consent;*
- *Upon obtaining SP licensure, subsequently audit her continuing education hours for two licensure biennium cycles. The 10 hours of continuing education in record keeping shall not count towards her required continuing education hours for either licensure biennium that is audited.*

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group recommends the Board approve the signed Consent Agreement and close this case.

Motion #8

Ms. Brown moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in case number 2016-26. Ms. King seconded the motion. The motion passed uncontested.

2016-68

This case involves a conditionally licensed speech-language pathologist who practiced prior to obtaining licensure. She indicated she applied for Ohio licensure sometime after graduating from out of state in May of 2016. On June 5, 2016 she began employment and her Supervised Professional Experience under supervision. On June 29, 2016 the Board office received her SPE Plan; however, a conditional speech-language pathology application had not been received.

At the December 13, 2016 board meeting, the board agreed with the Investigative Review Group's recommendation to offer her a Consent Agreement. The Consent shall be considered a public record as that term is used in Section 149.43 of the Ohio Revised Code. *She agreed to the following terms and conditions and signed the Consent for violation of Ohio Revised Code 4753.02 and 4753.10(I) and Ohio Administrative Code 4753-3-07(B)(2), (3)(a)(b), (4)(a)(b)(iv)(vi):*

- *She shall continue to complete her SPE;*
- *Her experience shall be extended by thirty (30) calendar days of her Plan approved end date TBD. If additional experience is needed, a completed Amended Plan shall be submitted within 30 days of the new/extended end date;*
- *She shall submit a completed SPE Report and Contacts Log no more than 30 days from the date her experience ends;*
- *She shall complete 2 hours of continuing education in the area of ethics. Proof of these 2 hours shall be submitted to the Board office 60 days from the date the Board approves the Consent Agreement;*
- *Once she obtains full licensure, her continuing education hours will be audited for one cycle/her second licensure biennium.*

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group recommends the Board approve the signed Consent Agreement and close this case.

Motion #9

Ms. Brown moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in case number 2016-68. Ms. Mayle seconded the motion. The motion passed uncontested.

New Cases - 3**2017-14**

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who answered "Yes" on her 2017/18 Renewal application to the question, "Have you been arrested, charged, and/or convicted, pled guilty or no contest or been granted intervention in lieu of conviction for any misdemeanor or other criminal offense in the State of Ohio or in any other state, commonwealth, territory, province, or country (other than minor traffic violations)? On her previous two renewal applications she answered "No" to the same question; however, she was convicted of a Misdemeanor (M1) over 5 years ago. Her felony charge on March 3, 2011 was reduced to M1, "Found Guilty of Theft," for shoplifting at Walmart. In 2011 she was caught switching price tags of lower priced items to higher priced items. She has been licensed since 1995.

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group recommends issuing a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing for violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4753.10(A) and Ohio Administrative Code Section 4753-3-08(A) and 4753-9-01(B)(1)(a)(c).

Motion #10

Ms. Brown moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in case number 2017-14. Dr. Prakup seconded the motion. The motion passed uncontested.

2017-05

This case involves a speech-language pathologist employed in a school setting. She was providing private speech services for a child who attended the school associated with her place of employment. In the fall of 2016 at the parent's request, both she and parent attended a planning meeting. Her evaluation report, prepared as the private speech-language pathologist, was provided during the meeting. The school's speech-language pathologist did not attend the meeting and the child was not on the school speech-language pathologist's caseload. After the planning meeting, the licensee emailed the school's speech-language pathologist to discuss the child's academic language, social communication, strengths and challenges and referenced her evaluation report. The investigation determined that the licensee did not have written authorization from the parent to email and discuss the child but only verbal authorization from the parent.

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group recommends offering a Consent Agreement, for violation of Ohio Revised Code 4753.10(I), unprofessional conduct and Ohio Administrative Code sections 4753-9-01(A)(2)(e), participate in activities that constitute a conflict of interest, and 4753-9-01(A)(6), to protect the public confidence, public behavior shall reflect a high level of moral and ethical behaviors, and 4753-9-01(B)(6)(a)(iv), not enter into relationships, which pose or appear to pose a conflict of interest, and 4753-9-01(B)(2)(c), not disclose to unauthorized person any confidential information obtained from any person(s) served or supervised professionally without the written consent of person(s) served or his/her legal guardian unless required by law. The terms of the Consent are as follows:

- Reprimand;
- Complete eight continuing education hours as follows:
 - Four hours in Ethics related to topics of conflicts of interests and confidentiality

- Two hours related to ETR training, e.g., how to distribute/accept reports from outside agencies, an
- Two hours related to documentation and record keeping.

Motion #11

Ms. Brown moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in case number 2017-05. Dr. Spangler seconded the motion. The motion passed uncontested.

2017-05

After the Board voted to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in case number 2017-05, Ms. Hawkinson informed the Board that the licensee, Dr. Linda Wellman, SP.3373, agreed to the terms, signed and returned the consent agreement prior to the board meeting. Ms. Brown and Assistant Attorney General Hawkinson signed the consent agreement on behalf of the Board.

2017-41

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who renewed late and practiced after the 12/31/2016 renewal deadline for twenty-five (25) days of the forty-six (46) days her license was expired. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure June 1999.

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group Committee recommends the following:

Due to this being the Respondent's first offence, and for violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4753.02, offer a Consent Agreement based on the following terms and conditions:

- Reprimand;
- Suspend for 46 days, staying half, commencing on designated days off;
- Complete 5 hours of continuing education in the area of ethics and 5 hours in the area of documentation and record keeping;
- Submit proof of the 10 hours 60 days from the date the Board approves the Consent Agreement;
- Continuing education hours will be audited for the pervious practice biennium, 2015-2016, and the current biennium, 2017-2018.

Motion #12

Ms. Brown moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in case number 2017-41. Ms. King seconded the motion. The motion passed uncontested.

C. Investigative Report – Ms. Stansberry

OPENED	Cases since the last Board Meeting 12/13/2016	30
CLOSED	Cases since the last board meeting 12/13/2016	24
TOTAL Open Cases	After closing any cases today (includes referrals)	22
Consumer Complaints	Of total open cases	11
Referrals	Of total open cases	11

Of the 22 cases currently open, the Investigative Categories are listed below:

Application Requirements Not Met	0
Billing Fraud	2
Continuing Education Violation and/or Self Report	4
Conviction	0
False or Misleading Advertisement	2
Falsified/Misleading Application	2
Illegal, Incompetent, or Habitually Negligent Practice	0
Impaired Practice	1
Misrepresentation of Credentials	0
Other	1
Practicing Under Expired/Inactive License	1
Supervised Professional Experience Violations	1
Unlicensed Practice	1
Unprofessional/Unethical Conduct	7

Update of Cases Previously Heard by the Board

2017-06 Rikki Conley, SP.12324 – A Goldman Hearing was held today.

Since the last meeting – Other Enforcement Activities and/or Outcome of some of the closed cases:

- 19 Educational Letters:
 - 14D or Less Practice under Expired license (renewed after the 12/31/2016 deadline)
- 3 Educational letters – Supervised Professional Experience:
 - 1 Report and Contacts Log late by less than 60 days;
 - 2 Plans late by less than 60 days.

Referrals to Investigations since the last board meeting:

- 5

LICENSURE APPROVAL – Carrie Spangler

A. License Review

Speech-Language Pathology

Motion #13

Dr. Spangler moved to ratify the Speech-Language Pathology licenses granted by the Executive Director on December 15, 2016, December 20, 2016, January 3, 2017, January 17, 2017, February 1, 2017, February 15, 2017, February 20, 2017 and March 1, 2017. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

December 15, 2016

SP-12382-	Rachel F. Gragg
SP-12388-	Jenna Alyssa Thompson
SP-12389-	Tin Wai Siu
SP-12390-	Latoya Peoples
SP-12391-	Nancy Staff
SP-12392-	Michaela Anne Barrett
SP-12393-	Jerri Ann Onjukka
SP-12394-	Kalyn Nicole Heitkamp
SP-12395-	Alyssa Kay Dosen
SP-12396-	Nicole Irene Harmon
SP-12397-	Mary Catherine Cox
SP-12398-	Lyndie Lee Brown

December 20, 2016

SP-12399-	Alita Nadine Storey
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January 3, 2017

SP-12400-	Britlee Helen Brost
SP-12401-	Hailey Ann Blosser
SP-12402-	Victoria Anne Diedrichs
SP-12403-	Caitlin Erin Mahoney
SP-12404-	Piper Lori Harris
SP-12405-	Lindsay Louise Miller
SP-12406-	Cristina Getz

January 17, 2017

SP-12407-	Cameron Ione Ulam
SP-12408-	Paul Michael Sabo
SP-12409-	Emily Clarice Goskey
SP-12410-	Joelle Bloom Umstead
SP-12411-	Amber Rae Torelli
SP-12412-	Angela Elizabeth Reif
SP-12413-	Paraskevi Anastasia Nikolaou
SP-12414-	Sukhpreet Kaur Rakieten
SP-12415-	Esther Sochaczewsky
SP-12416-	Eric Alan Komenda
SP-12417-	Cynthia Lynn Hughes
SP-12418-	Mona Christine Drake
SP-12419-	Susan Lynn Baughman
SP-12420-	Brooke Powell Garnes
SP-12422-	Alexandra Betley Price

February 1, 2017

SP-12423-	Megan Lynn Foster
SP-12424-	Jill Marie Unverferth
SP-12425-	Emily Jean McMurtry
SP-12426-	Verne Thomas Qualls
SP-12427-	Heather Lynn Case
SP-12428-	Miranda Murray Scheiber
SP-12429-	Holly Melissa Williams
SP-12430-	Gracie Mae Strait-Gilg
SP-12431-	Nicole Lee Rich
SP-12432-	Diana J. Martin
SP-12433-	Leslie Ann Logan
SP-12434-	Crystal Michelle Loynes
SP-12435-	Carrie Shell Kerscher
SP-12436-	Tali Epstein
SP-12437-	Natasha Kristine Loveridge
SP-12438-	Meredith Francis Dunham
SP-12439-	Jill R. Sheridan

February 15, 2017

SP-12440-	Tiffany Jo Lucas
SP-12441-	Rebecca Lyn Mental
SP-12442-	Melissa Ann Cherne
SP-12443-	Courtney Ellen Wilke
SP-12444-	Nicole Marie Parent
SP-12445-	Rachel Elizabeth Neltner
SP-12446-	Elizabeth Uchtman
SP-12447-	Trysta Anne Lee
SP-12448-	Paige Alexandra Chiurco
SP-12449-	Lauren Elizabeth Spyker
SP-12450-	Kristina Aimee Bradley
SP-12451-	Shairene Alo
SP-12452-	James M Koopman
SP-12453-	Meagan Elizabeth Horn
SP-12454-	Samantha Mae Obermeyer
SP-12455-	Jennifer Marie Wittibschlager
SP-12456-	Leah Frances Kolesar

February 20, 2017

SP-12457-	Marissa Blyth McClung
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March 1, 2017

SP-12458-	Andrea Elizabeth Siefker
SP-12459-	Susan Elizabeth Rader
SP-12460-	Heather Elizabeth Tackett
SP-12461-	Arenetra Da-Shan Morris
SP-12462-	Michelle Rae Wallace
SP-12463-	Jacob Evan Fritz
SP-12464-	Marta Elena Cuervo
SP-12465-	Deanna Junell Johnson
SP-12566-	Ryan Thomas Izaj
SP-12567-	Kayla Elizabeth Holland
SP-12568-	Richelle Ann Muhlenkamp
SP-12569-	Kate Brianne Fabrizio

Audiology

Motion #14

Dr. Spangler moved to ratify the Audiology licenses granted by the Executive Director on January 3, 2017, January 17, 2017, February 1, 2017 and February 15, 2017. Dr. Prakup seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

January 3, 2017

A-02049-	Jenna Alyssa Szymialis
A-02050-	Molly Ann Kennedy

January 17, 2017

A-02051-	Erica Lynn Fleck
A-02052-	Katie Marie Mahoney
A-02053-	Jessica Ann Vadlamudi

February 1, 2017

A-02054-	Angela Marie Hull
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February 15, 2017

A-02055-	Ernest E. Walden
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Conditional Speech-Language Pathology
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Motion #15

Dr. Spangler moved to ratify the Conditional Speech-Language Pathology licenses granted by the Executive Director on December 15, 2016, December 19, 2016, January 3, 2017, January 17, 2017, February 1, 2017 and February 15, 2017. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

December 15, 2016

COND-2017184-SP Kirsten Van Kallen
COND-2017185-SP Heather Darlene Salvo

December 19, 2016

COND-2017186-SP Danielle Thereasa Rupprecht
COND-2017187-SP Melinda S. Joseph
COND-2017188-SP Rachel Ann Winn
COND-2017189-SP Brianna Nicole Bridgeman
COND-2017190-SP Anna Christine Britt
COND-2017191-SP Delaney Jane Nelson
COND-2017192-SP Morgan Lyn Sizler

January 3, 2017

COND-2017193-SP Stevi Rae Smith

January 17, 2017

COND-2017194-SP Carly A Cacic

February 1, 2017

COND-2017195-SP Kristyn Nicole Wasil
COND-2017196-SP Erinn Rae Gilmore
COND-2017197-SP Kelly Elizabeth Doig
COND-2017198-SP Carolyn L Hecmanczuk
COND-2017199-SP Bridget Marie Wright

February 15, 2017

COND-2017200-SP Mary Jane Yard
COND-2017201-SP Victoria Ann Mosuriak

Audiology Aides

Motion #16

Dr. Spangler moved to ratify the Audiology Aide licenses granted by the Executive Director on February 9, 2017 and March 6, 2017. Ms. Mayle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

February 9, 2017

AIDE.10049A

Lauren Rose Pike

March 6, 2017

AIDE.10050A

Christopher Leo Schweiger

AIDE.10051A

Ellen Mary Debboli

AIDE.10052A

Jeffrey A. Labere

AIDE.10053A

Sheila A. Lucas

AIDE. 0517A

Marek Leslie Stinemyer-Dietz

Speech-Language Pathology Aides

None

Licensure Applications

None

Special Applications

None

LICENSING SUMMARY

Speech-Language Pathologist	6896
Audiologist	954
Inactives AUD / SLP	41/247
Conditional SLP	341
SLP-Aide	4
AUD-Aide	74
Duals	38
TOTAL	8595

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed correspondence issued by Mr. Thornton since the last board meeting. The Board also reviewed correspondence requesting the Board's input on discontinuing the pupil service license requirement for audiologist to practice in the school setting. The Board directed Mr. Thornton to respond that the Ohio Department of Education's pupil service license ensures educational audiologists are knowledgeable of school-based laws and the procedures required when working with a school-based team to ensure the appropriate needs of children are met under FAPE.

MEMBER CONCERNS

Ms. King expressed concerns regarding whether there would be appropriate accountability and consumer safeguards with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration’s recent announcement that it intends to consider the accessibility and sale of over-the-counter hearing aids directly to consumers. She also expressed concern regarding licensed audiologists working in the school setting without a pupil service license, noting that the required public service license demonstrates that they have the appropriate education, knowledge, and skills as an educational audiologist. Additionally, she raised concerns that the proposed board consolidation would not allow this and other boards to have the time and knowledge to carefully address issues impacting consumer protection. All board members in attendance also joined Ms. King in expressing this concern regarding the proposed board consolidation.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Tammy H. Brown, Chairperson

Carrie L. Spangler, Vice Chairperson

Date

Date

Gregg B. Thornton, Executive Director

Date