



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

Board Meeting Minutes of Thursday, March 30, 2017

The Regular Business Meeting was called to order at 9:33 a.m. by Chairperson, Tammy H. Brown, M.A., held at the Hyatt Regency Columbus, 350 North High Street, 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

Cheryl R. Hawkinson, Senior Assistant Attorney General (arrival at approximately 11:00 a.m.)

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Dauida Weaver, M.A., CCC-SLP, immediate past president of the Ohio Speech-Language Hearing Association (OSLHA) welcomed the Board to their annual convention. She thanked the Board for holding its meeting on-site at their convention venue. Donna Edwards, M.A., CCC-SLP, president of OSLHA, also welcomed the Board to their annual convention.

AGENDA

The agenda for the March 30, 2017, regular board meeting was presented and reviewed.

Motion #1

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

MINUTES

The minutes of the March 7, 2017 board meeting were reviewed.

Motion #2

Ms. Mayle moved to accept the minutes of the March 7, 2017 board meeting. Ms. King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Tammy Brown thanked the board members for being engaged and passionate in supporting the professions and consumers. She also thanked the staff for their continued support and team work during the transition to the new eLicense system.

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;
- Related Service Provider Workgroup;
- Ethics financial disclosure statements;
- FY 2016-2017 audit by the State Auditor's Office;
- Continuing education audits; and
- Spring eNewsletter

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

There was no Assistant Attorney General's report.

The Board recessed at 10:30 a.m. and returned to open session at 10:44 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion #3

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). Ms. King seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote as follows: Ms. Brown: yes; Dr. Froehlich: excused absence; Ms. King: yes; Ms. Mayle: yes; Dr. Prakup: yes; Dr. Spangler: yes

The Board went into Executive Session at 10:44 a.m. and invited Mr. Thornton to remain in attendance.

The Board returned to Public Session at 10:51 a.m.

INVESTIGATIONS

B. Board Actions

Previously Heard by the Board - 1

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.

At the March 7, 2017 board meeting, the Board agreed with the Investigative Review Group Committee's recommendation to offer her a Consent Agreement for violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4753.02. *She agreed to the following terms and conditions and signed the Consent:*

- *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.*

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

Motion #4

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

New Cases – 1

2017-48

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who answered "Yes" on her 2017-2018 renewal application to the conviction 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 state, commonwealth, territory, province, or country, (other than minor traffic violations)?" In June 2016 she was convicted of a misdemeanor in the first degree for a drug related offense. During verification of the information provided by her, a material discrepancy was noted during the investigation regarding the offense. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure in May of 1992. Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group Committee recommends issuing a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing.

Motion #5

Ms. Brown moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in case number 2017-48. Dr. Prakup seconded the motion. Dr. Froehlich was absent. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Investigative Report – Ms. Stansberry

OPENED	Cases since the last Board Meeting 3/7/2017	3
CLOSED	Cases since the last board meeting 3/7/2017	3
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	5
Conviction	1
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	0
Supervised Professional Experience Violations	0
Unlicensed Practice	1
Unprofessional/Unethical Conduct	7

Update of Cases Previously Heard by the Board

2017-14 The March 7, 2017 Board voted to issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing. The Respondent requested a hearing; it is scheduled for May 17, 2017.

2017-06 Rikki Conley, SP.12314. A Goldman Hearing was held at the March 7, 2017 board meeting. Ms. Conley did not appeal the Adjudication Order issued March 14, 2017.

Referrals to Investigations since the last board meeting:

- 1

LICENSURE APPROVAL – Carrie Spangler**A. License Review**

Motion #6

Dr. Spangler moved to ratify the Speech-Language Pathology licenses granted by the Executive Director on March 7, 2017 and March 15, 2017. Ms. Mayle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

March 7, 2017

SP-12470- Tarah N. Lewis

March 15, 2017

SP-3698- Linda H. McCauley
 SP-12462- Morgan Brittany Jett
 SP-12466- Morgan Rachel Edelman
 SP-12467- Rena Marie Hinebaugh
 SP-12468- Mattie Olivia Hulett
 SP-12469- Jazmin Vianey Yadav
 SP-12471- Lynelle Marie Dues
 SP-12472- Amanda Michelle Fry
 SP-12473- Rachel Elizabeth Skolny
 SP-12474- Emma Fischer Mackey
 SP-12475- Hilary Robin Parlette
 SP-12476- Lauren Marie Newberry
 SP-12477- Isaac Christopher Sernoffsky
 SP-12478- Hinde Hall Haa
 SP-12479- Julie Sokol
 SP-12480- Tia Elizabeth Vinci
 SP-12481- Noel Elizabeth Mott-Smith
 SP-12482- Alexa Justine Kohlrieser
 SP-12483- Breanna Jade Jones

Audiology

None

Conditional Speech-Language Pathology
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Motion #7

Dr. Spangler moved to ratify the Conditional Speech-Language Pathology licenses granted by the Executive Director on March 15, 2017. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

March 15, 2017

A-02057-

Haylee B. Lamb

Audiology Aides

Motion #8

Dr. Spangler moved to approve the initial licensure application for Audiology Aide, number **033017-WEIR**, contingent on submission of a revised Aide Plan removing “recheck pure tone thresholds” and adding “screening” to tympanometry. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Speech-Language Pathology Aides

None

Licensure Applications

None

Special Applications

None

LICENSING SUMMARY

Speech-Language Pathologist	6957
Audiologist	965
Inactives AUD / SLP	40/246
Conditional SLP	351
SLP-Aide	4
AUD-Aide	76
Duals	38
TOTAL	8677

BOARD BUSINESS

A. 2017 Strategic Plan – Review Final Draft

The Board reviewed the final draft to the 2017 strategic plan and made additional revisions.

Motion #9

Ms. King moved to accept the 2017 strategic plan as amended. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Licensure Renewal Report

The Board reviewed the licensure renewal report for the 2015-2016 biennium, which ended on December 31, 2016.

C. Customer Satisfaction Survey

The Board reviewed the customer satisfaction survey for 2016. The Board received an exceptional overall rating and commended the staff for their dedication.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no board correspondence.

MEMBER CONCERNS

Ms. Mayle wanted to make the Board aware of federal legislation, HB 610 regarding the school voucher system.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

Tammy H. Brown, Chairperson

Carrie L. Spangler, Vice Chairperson

Date

Date

Gregg B. Thornton, Executive Director

Date