



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

Board Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, October 27, 2015

The Regular Business Meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Chairperson, Amy Thorpe Wiley, M.Ed., CCC-SLP, held at Vern Riffe Center for Government, 77 South High St., 31st Floor- East B, Columbus, OH 43215.

Board Members – Roll Call:

Amy Thorpe Wiley, M.Ed., CCC-SLP, Speech-Language Pathology Board Member and Chairperson

Karen K. Mitchell, Au.D., Audiology Board Member and Vice Chairperson

Tammy H. Brown, M.A., CCC-A, ABA, FAAA, Audiology Board Member

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

Linda L. Wellman, Ph.D., CCC-SLP, Speech-Language Pathology Board Member

Angela N. King, Public Member

Helen L. Mayle, Public Member

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

Also Present:

Gregg B. Thornton, Executive Director

Brandy R. Thomas, Administrative Professional

Connie J. Stansberry, Investigator

Cheryl R. Hawkinson, Senior Assistant Attorney General

OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

James Wiley introduced himself and was welcomed by the Board as a member of the public. There were no comments from professional organizations.

AGENDA

The agenda for the October 27, 2015, regular board meeting was presented and reviewed.

Motion #1

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to accept the agenda as submitted. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the August 5, 2015 board meeting were reviewed.

Motion #2

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to accept the minutes of the August 5, 2015 board meeting. Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Ms. Thorpe Wiley thanked Mr. Thornton and Ms. Mayle for presenting an ethics presentation at the State Region 4 – Southern Ohio ESC, and meeting with administrators. She expressed appreciation to the public board members for their active involvement with professional issues. She thanked Mr. Thornton, Dr. Wellman, and Ms. Brown for their presentations at the Ohio School Speech Pathology Educational Audiology Coalition Annual Conference. She also thanked everyone who attended the National Council of State Boards of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Annual Conference. On a personal note, Ms. Thorpe Wiley acknowledged that this was her last meeting serving on the Board due to her term ending. She thanked everyone for their support during her tenure on the Board. She thanked the staff for their dedication and hard work, and acknowledged that she is leaving the Board in excellent hands. She thanked Mr. Thornton for his guidance.

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 FY2016;
- Number of license verification letters issued;
- Significant legislation;
- Status of the new eLicensing 3.0 system;
- State Auditor's final bi-annual audit;
- MBE/EDGE expenditures for FY2015;
- Fall eNewsletter

LICENSURE APPROVAL – Dr. Karen Mitchell

A. License Review

Speech-Language Pathology

Motion #3

Dr. Mitchell moved to ratify the Speech-Language Pathology licenses granted by the Executive Director on July 17, 2015, July 21, 2015, July 30, 2015, August 3, 2015, August 17, 2015, September

1, 2015, September 15, 2015, October 1, 2015, and October 15, 2015. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

July 17, 2015

SP-11860- Natalie Eileen Denton

July 21, 2015

SP-11861- Rhonda Lee Moore

July 30, 2015

SP-11864- Christina Jeanette Mneimne
SP-11865- Katie Ann Tommila

August 3, 2015

SP-4610-	Jeannette Cataland Simios	re-licensure
SP-11862-	Daniele Celia Norman	
SP-11863-	Michelle Kay Post	
SP-11866-	Corinne Kay Keller	
SP-11867-	Aubry Louise Beachler	
SP-11868-	Dara Jo Elizondo	
SP-11869-	Michelle Elizabeth Adessa	
SP-11870-	Grace Ann Bosze	
SP-11871-	Carrie Elisa Crisp	
SP-11872-	Carly Shaina Cantor	
SP-11873-	Chanel Ashley Richards	
SP-11874-	Monica Lynn Harmon	
SP-11876-	Raisa Santana	
SP-11877-	Anna Kathleen Heekin	
SP-11878-	Rena Faye Nims	
SP-11879-	Amanda Lynne Smith	

August 17, 2015

SP-6101-	Dorothy G. Wilson	re-licensure
SP-8190-	Kerry Draper	re-licensure
SP-11880-	Crystal Marie Williamson	
SP-11881-	Caitlin Elizabeth Forrest	
SP-11882-	Natasha Anderson Livits	
SP-11883-	Mirella Angelia Rhad	
SP-11884-	Doris Lynn Vincent	

September 1, 2015

SP-5522-	Dorothy Tragesser	re-licensure
SP-9056-	Allison A. Weber	re-licensure
SP-11885-	Stephanie Lynn McConnell	
SP-11886-	Deborah Clark	

SP-11887-	Mallory May Veltema
SP-11888-	Janice Elaine Anastasia
SP-11889-	Jessica Rose Noonan
SP-11890-	Shaina Ilyse Oif
SP-11891-	Angelica Aguilar
SP-11892-	Emily Marie Leffler

September 15, 2015

SP-1378-	M. Jennifer Grinstead	re-licensure
SP-11893-	Carol Hite Wolfe	
SP-11894-	Noopur Vaidya Rank	
SP-11895-	Cara Marie Hathaway	
SP-11896-	Kiran Ann Kotagal	
SP-11897-	Erin Elise McGrattan	

October 1, 2015

SP-11898-	Joseph Adam Collier
SP-11899-	Angela Marie Borsani Bowen
SP-11900-	Danielle Elizabeth Lucas
SP-11901-	Abigail Kathleen Garnett
SP-11902-	Erica Lynn Baker
SP-11903-	Sarah MacGregor Hamilton
SP-11904-	Karla Suzanne Seifert
SP-11905-	Kelly Groeber Valle
SP-11906-	Sarah Michelle Wasserman
SP-11907-	Amy Beth Federer
SP-11908-	Chelsea Bachman Rodgers
SP-11909-	Kristen Marie Darst
SP-11910-	Brandy Lee Little
SP-11911-	Tiffany Marie Nicholson
SP-11912-	Melissa Forney

October 15, 2015

SP-8460-	Cheryl Alene Ljubicic	re-licensure
SP-11913-	Jason Cyrus Khavaran	
SP-11914-	Kaitlin Brice Crowley	
SP-11915-	Holly Conner Lind	
SP-11916-	Jessica Michelle Pfister	
SP-11917-	Jenna Marie Randall	
SP-11918-	James George Vournous	
SP-11919-	Amber Sloan Plourde	
SP-11920-	Alexandra Alaine Holomuzki-Zgoni	
SP-11921-	Rebekah Kay Manzo	
SP-11922-	Kenzie Nicole Manns	
SP-11923-	Emily Frances Rayburn	
SP-11924-	Laura Nicole Niekamp	
SP-11925-	Ryan L Rummel	

Audiology

Motion #4

Dr. Mitchell moved to ratify the Audiology licenses granted by the Executive Director on July 17, 2015, August 3, 2015, August 10, 2015 August 17, 2015, September 1, 2015, September 15, 2015, October 1, 2015, and October 15, 2015. Ms. King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

July 17, 2015

A-01975- Kristen Marissa Santelmann

August 3, 2015

A-01976- Kelly Rae Young
A-01988- Suzanne M. Younker

August 10, 2015

A-01977- Casey Lorraine Molloy
A-01978- Sarah Maria Paese

August 17, 2015

A-01979- Trisha Renae Billger
A-01980- Kayla Cathleen Newkirk
A-01981- Emily E. Pajevic
A-01982- Sarah Kathryn Crow
A-01983- Allie Jo Heckman
A-01984- Kristen Anne Edwards
A-01985- Jill Alison Jenskovic
A-01986- Lauren Elizabeth Rollo
A-01987- Jessica Dawn Mook
A-01989- Cristina Faye Yorke

September 1, 2015

A-01990- Emily Anne Sansom

September 15, 2015

A-01991- Kristen Leigh D'Onofrio

October 1, 2015

A-01992- Ra'Mone A. Williams
A-01993- Kara L. Duffey

October 15, 2015

A-01994-

Mariah Pauline Crabtree

Conditional Speech-Language Pathology
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Motion #5

Dr. Mitchell moved to ratify the Conditional Speech-Language Pathology licenses granted by the Executive Director on August 3, 2015, August 7, 2015, August 10, 2015 August 17, 2015, August 19, 2015, August 21, 2015, August 24, 2015, September 1, 2015, September 8, 2015, September 15, 2015, September 17, 2015, October 1, 2015, October 15, 2015 and October 19, 2015. Ms. Mayle seconded the motion. Dr. Wellman abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

August 3, 2015

COND-2016021-SP	Melissa Renee Zapf
COND-2016022-SP	Kayla Marie Wilson
COND-2016023-SP	Carmella Marie Tisci
COND-2016024-SP	Esther Sochaczewsky
COND-2016025-SP	Katherine Gicei
COND-2016026-SP	Mary Jadawn Ross
COND-2016027-SP	Kristin Renee Richardson
COND-2016028-SP	Katherine Elizabeth Rhodus
COND-2016029-SP	Brooke Alison Lucas
COND-2016030-SP	Stephanie Ann Goetz
COND-2016031-SP	Meredith Francis Dunham
COND-2016032-SP	Maria Ann Contini
COND-2016033-SP	Emily Charles
COND-2016034-SP	Jodi Anne Budde
COND-2016035-SP	Megan K Hounshell
COND-2016036-SP	Christine Elizabeth Belmont
COND-2016037-SP	Michelle Thobe

August 7, 2015

COND-2016038-SP	Patricia Ann Titus
COND-2016039-SP	Hannah Elizabeth Schooler
COND-2016052-SP	Katherine Elizabeth Anderson
COND-2016053-SP	Autumn Michelle McLennan
COND-2016054-SP	Chelsey Marie Fries
COND-2016055-SP	Chelsea Miriam Yost

August 10, 2015

COND-2016018-SP	Candice Ellen Michel
COND-2016040-SP	Lauren Michelle Koepke
COND-2016041-SP	Megan Elizabeth McDonald
COND-2016042-SP	Christina Mae Barth

COND-2016043-SP	Kristen Denise Favro
COND-2016044-SP	Rachel Marie Sensabaugh
COND-2016045-SP	Melissa Michele Jaco
COND-2016046-SP	Rosa Lea Massaro
COND-2016047-SP	Abigail Margaret Adams
COND-2016048-SP	Kristen Leona Grevey
COND-2016049-SP	Ashley Marie Hodge
COND-2016050-SP	Amanda Katherine Deuley
COND-2016051-SP	Allison Dawn Lotter
COND-2016056-SP	Macy Kathleen Uchino
COND-2016057-SP	Loren Pennino Lefeld
COND-2016058-SP	Emily Catherine Winner
COND-2016059-SP	Emily Ruth Williamson Smith
COND-2016060-SP	Mary Kathryn Bruner
COND-2016061-SP	Kristen Rae Ackerman
COND-2016062-SP	Andrea Beth Fitzgerald
COND-2016063-SP	Sarah Lynn Rosevear
COND-2016064-SP	Suzanne Therese Watkins-Martinez
COND-2016065-SP	Jessica Paige Chalfin
COND-2016066-SP	Lauren Krug Reyes
COND-2016067-SP	Alyssa Kay Dosen
COND-2016068-SP	Brittany Marie Parker

August 17, 2015

COND-2016069-SP	MacKenzie Renee Snyder
COND-2016070-SP	Leah Frances Kolesar
COND-2016071-SP	Rebecca Lyn Mental
COND-2016072-SP	Caitlin Jo Waldo
COND-2016073-SP	Bridget Eileen O'Riordan
COND-2016074-SP	Brooke Irene Williamson
COND-2016075-SP	Sarah Elizabeth Loughner
COND-2016076-SP	Marissa Blyth McClung
COND-2016077-SP	Leigh Ann Stephens
COND-2016078-SP	Nicolette Ann Tangi
COND-2016079-SP	Maria Victoria Petrasko
COND-2016080-SP	Brock J Rubesa
COND-2016081-SP	Devan Marie Adley
COND-2016082-SP	Abigail Lee Cureton
COND-2016083-SP	Lauren Ashley Eck
COND-2016084-SP	Ellen Rae Mock
COND-2016085-SP	Brianna Rose Burke
COND-2016086-SP	Danielle Marie Slifko
COND-2016087-SP	Rebecca Marilyn Kuhn

COND-2016088-SP	Chelsea Lynn Hanawalt
COND-2016089-SP	Maggie Elizabeth Bowers
COND-2016090-SP	Kathleen Deirdre Kovalik Suter
COND-2016091-SP	Jennifer Alice Klemme
COND-2016092-SP	Rebekah Louise Ashbrook
COND-2016093-SP	Kate Elizabeth Dargan
COND-2016094-SP	Alisa Marie Kohler
COND-2016095-SP	Megan Elise McShea
COND-2016096-SP	Heather Marie Barhorst
COND-2016097-SP	Lauren Elizabeth Bailey
COND-2016098-SP	Nicole Marie Bird
COND-2016099-SP	Heather Feinstein
COND-2016100-SP	Ashley Marie Hobbins
COND-2016101-SP	Lauren Marie Newberry
COND-2016102-SP	Emily Jean McMurtry
COND-2016103-SP	Sara Gillette
COND-2016104-SP	Stephanie Rose Brown
COND-2016105-SP	Danielle Rae Morgan
COND-2016106-SP	Monica Lorraine Spatny
COND-2016107-SP	Nicole Mazur Sauer
COND-2016108-SP	Kelsey Elizabeth Richards
COND-2016109-SP	Ellie Suzanne Carpenter
COND-2016110-SP	Logan M Bauer
COND-2016111-SP	Katie Marie Myers
COND-2016112-SP	Evelyn Elezabeth Zacharia
COND-2016113-SP	Molly Ann Miller
COND-2016114-SP	Michelle Lynn Nickels
COND-2016115-SP	Leah Ellen Romito
COND-2016116-SP	Andrea Elizabeth Bell
COND-2016117-SP	Elyse Colette Mastriana
COND-2016118-SP	Emma Lee Roberts
COND-2016119-SP	Emily Michelle Hallowell
COND-2016120-SP	Katherine Marie Macke
COND-2016121-SP	Maria Elizabeth Eldemire
COND-2016122-SP	Alyson Elizabeth Remley
COND-2016123-SP	Katelyn Renee Melvin
COND-2016124-SP	Megan Marie Reed
COND-2016125-SP	Michelle Anne Topp
COND-2016126-SP	Catherine Kelley Henchy
COND-2016127-SP	Meredith Elaine McKay
COND-2016128-SP	Shairene Alo
COND-2016129-SP	Shayla Jo Scollick

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COND-2016130-SP Tanya Jeannetta Irene Abbott

August 21, 2015COND-2016131-SP Abigail L. Smith
COND-2016132-SP Shannon Clare Helfer**August 24, 2015**

COND-2016133-SP Alicia Buren

September 1, 2015COND-2016134-SP Caitlin Brittany Gavin
COND-2016135-SP Sarah Margaret Dean
COND-2016136-SP Chelsea Lynn Scott
COND-2016137-SP Sarah K Singer
COND-2016138-SP Michael John Kampmeyer
COND-2016139-SP Leanne Dorothy Kaltenbaugh
COND-2016140-SP Emily Ann Johnstal**September 8, 2015**COND-2016141-SP Sydney Brooke Baker
COND-2016142-SP Alexandra Marie Walker
COND-2016143-SP Cassandra Lee Sparks**September 15, 2015**COND-2016145-SP Jeanette Louise Dickson
COND-2016146-SP Avigayil Chava Zabłudowski
COND-2016147-SP Morgan Brittany Drennen
COND-2016148-SP Zada Joy Croskey
COND-2016149-SP Abbi Marie Binnix
COND-2016150-SP Jocelyn Ann Fenyar**September 17, 2015**

COND-2016144-SP Kristin Ann Kvaka

October 1, 2015COND-2016151-SP Amber Kay Clark
COND-2016152-SP Amelia Christianne Spangler
COND-2016153-SP Morgan Michele DeGarmo
COND-2016154-SP Rachel H Mashni**October 15, 2015**

COND-2016155-SP Evgeniya Gorokhovskaya
 COND-2016158-SP James M Koopman

October 19, 2015

COND-2016159-SP Shu-Sheng Liao

LICENSING SUMMARY

Speech-Language Pathologist	6876
Audiologist	979
Inactives AUD / SLP	38/216
Conditional SLP	393
SLP-Aide	10
AUD-Aide	66
Duals	37
TOTAL	8615

A. Applications for Review**Audiology Aides****Motion #6**

Dr. Mitchell moved to table the initial application for Audiology Aide, license number **Aide.102715-JOR** for clarification of supervision and training. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion #7

Dr. Mitchell moved to table the initial application for Audiology Aide, license number **Aide.102715-PAR** for clarification about direct supervision. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Speech-Language Pathology Aides**Motion #8**

Dr. Wellman moved to table the initial application for Speech-Language Pathology Aide, number 102715-HOC for clarification of training and supervision. Ms. King seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion #9

Dr. Wellman moved to table the initial application for Speech-Language Pathology Aide, number 102715-COU for clarification of training and supervision. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Licensure Applications

None

Special Applications

None

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

Assistant Attorney General Cheryl Hawkinson thanked the Board for inviting her to attend the National Council of State Boards of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Annual Conference.

INVESTIGATIONS

A. Executive Session

Motion #10

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing proposed disciplinary action against licensees, involving pending or imminent court action under R.C. §121.22.(G)(3), and which requires that such matters be kept confidential under R.C. §149.43.(A)(2). Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote as follows: Ms. Brown: yes; Dr. Froehlich: absent; Ms. King: yes; Ms. Mayle: yes; Dr. Mitchell: yes; Dr. Spangler: yes; Dr. Wellman: yes; Ms. Thorpe Wiley: yes.

The Board went into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m. and invited the Board staff to remain in attendance, along with Senior Assistant Attorney General Cheryl R. Hawkinson, Esq.

The Board returned to Public Session at 11:26 a.m.

B. Board Actions

New **2015-59**

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who was impaired/under the influence of alcohol while at work, during business hours. This incident occurred 2 days prior to what would have been her last day of employment, her retirement day. Her employer of 22 years sent her home this date informing her not to return to work her last two days. She did not provide therapy this date. Her daily job duties did not involve direct therapy; she was the Director of Speech Services. In this role she managed a department of 35 speech-language pathologists. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure December 1976. The Board's Investigator obtained her admission that she had been drinking alcohol the night before as well as she had a drink that morning at 4 a.m. to help her get back to sleep. She indicated it was an often occurrence to have a drink at 4 a.m. due to not being able to sleep past 7 a.m. without it. With her admission, she agreed to the following:

- to enter into a settlement agreement, in lieu of a hearing, reprimanding her speech-language pathology license;
- to complete an alcohol assessment.

Accordingly, due to violation of Ohio Revised Code section 4753.10(M), and Ohio Administrative Code 4753-9-01(B)(1)(b), representing herself as a speech-language pathologist while under the influence of alcohol, the Investigative Review Group Committee recommends offering a Consent Agreement with the following terms:

- Reprimand her speech-language pathology license;
- She must complete a substance abuse evaluation within thirty days upon the effective date of the Consent Agreement;
 - She must notify the Board of the name of the agency, or name of the person, conducting the substance abuse evaluation and receive prior approval from the Board;
- She must sign a release of information to authorize the agency and/or substance abuse counselor to provide any and all information to the Board upon request, including but not limited to, the substance abuse evaluation report and recommendation;
- She must comply with any and all terms and conditions as specified by the substance abuse evaluation and assessment;
- She must submit proof, to the Board, of completion with the terms, conditions, and recommendations of the substance abuse report and assessment;
- She must agree to submit documentation, upon request of the Board, demonstrating her compliance of the substance abuse report and assessment;
- She must complete a random toxicology screening for a minimum of 3 times within a 2 year period to the Board;
- Should the Respondent obtain employment practicing as an speech-language pathologist, she shall notify the board within seven business days.

Motion #11

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in case 2015-59. Dr. Wellman seconded the motion. Dr. Mitchell abstained. Dr. Froehlich was absent. The motion passed uncontested.

GROUPED CASES

The next 3 of 4 cases are grouped as:

- Failed/Non Compliance with 2014 Continuing Education Audit – First Offense

2016-33

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who failed her "2014 Random Continuing Education Audit." This was her first audit. She failed to substantiate 20 continuing education hours upon request of the Board by the deadlines designated in 5 notices and/or correspondences to her. She reported to CE Broker 11.5 of 20 continuing education hours completed during the 2013-2014 licensure biennium. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure May 2002.

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group Committee recommends issuing a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to reprimand, place on probation, suspend or revoke her speech-language pathology license for violation of Ohio Revised Code section 4753.10(I)(M), and

Ohio Administrative Code sections 4753-3-10(C)(2)(3), 4753-4-01(D)(4)(6)(7) and 475-9-01(B)(1)(c).

2016-34

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who failed her “2014 Late Renewal Continuing Education Audit.” This was her first audit. She failed to substantiate 20 continuing education hours upon request of the Board by the deadlines designated in the 5 notices and/or correspondences to her. She reported to CE Broker 14.5 of 20 continuing education hours completed during the 2013-1014 licensure biennium. Additionally, she renewed eight days after the 12/31/2014 renewal deadline. To date, a completed Employment Verification Form has not been received verifying if she practiced or not during the eight days her license was expired. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure February 2007.

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group Committee recommends issuing a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to reprimand, place on probation, suspend or revoke her speech-language pathology license for violation of Ohio Revised Code section 4753.10(I)(M), and Ohio Administrative Code sections 4753-3-10(C)(2)(3), 4753-4-01(D)(4)(6)(7) and 475-9-01(B)(1)(c).

2016-35

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who failed her “2014 Random Continuing Education Audit.” This was her first audit. She failed to substantiate 20 continuing education hours upon request of the Board by the deadlines designated in the 5 notices and/or correspondences to her. She reported to CE Broker 14 of 20 continuing education hours completed during the 2013-1014 licensure biennium. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure December 2007.

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group Committee recommends issuing a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to reprimand, place on probation, suspend or revoke her speech-language pathology license for violation of Ohio Revised Code section 4753.10(I)(M), and Ohio Administrative Code sections 4753-3-10(C)(2)(3), 4753-4-01(D)(4)(6)(7) and 475-9-01(B)(1)(c).

Motion #12

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to accept the Investigative Review Group’s recommendation in cases 2016-33, 2016-34 and 2016-35 with the addition that rule OAC 4753-3-09(B)(1)(c)(ii) be added to the NOH as well as it is a violation of the code of ethics to not comply with an audit after having answered “yes” on the 2015-2016 renewal application that 20 continuing education hours would be complete by the 12/31/2014 renewal deadline and then not substantiate proof of the hours when audited. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. Dr. Froehlich was absent. The motion passed uncontested.

2016-36

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who failed her “2014 Prior Board Action Continuing Education Audit.” This was her third failed audit in a row. She failed to substantiate 20 continuing education hours upon request of the Board by the deadlines designated in the 5 notices and/or correspondences made with her. She reported to CE Broker zero of 20 continuing education hours completed during the 2013-1014 licensure biennium. Additionally, she renewed sixteen days after the 12/31/2014 renewal deadline. To

date, a completed Employment Verification Form has not been received verifying if she practiced or not during the sixteen days her license was expired. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure January 1998.

Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group Committee recommends issuing a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing to reprimand, place on probation, suspend or revoke her speech-language pathology license for violation of Ohio Revised Code section 4753.10(I)(M), and Ohio Administrative Code sections 4753-3-10(C)(2)(3), 4753-4-01(D)(4)(6)(7) and 475-9-01(B)(1)(c).

Motion #13

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in cases 2016-36. Dr. Mitchell seconded the motion. Dr. Froehlich was absent. The motion passed uncontested.

2015-75

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who failed her "2014 Prior Board Action Continuing Education Audit." This was her second failed audit in a row, and for the same violation (zero hours completed during 2011-2012. The 20 hours completed in 2013 were applied towards her 2012 CE Audit). She failed to substantiate 20 continuing education hours upon request of the Board by the deadlines designated in 2 notices and/or correspondences made with her. She did not report any hours to CE Broker and admitted to not completing any hours during the 2013-2014 licensure biennium. She applied for Inactive licensure status which became effective 1/1/2015. She opted to submit an audit waiver request letter versus completing 20 hours in 2015 to have applied towards her 2014 Audit. Her waiver request was not granted by IRG because her circumstances did not meet OAC 4753-4-01(A)(8)(b) and (11). She did not present evidence that her failure to obtain the required continuing education hours during the 2013-2014 licensure biennium was due to a personal illness, military service or circumstances that were beyond her control. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure September 1983.

Accordingly IRG recommends that the Board offer her the option of voluntarily surrendering her license or offer a Consent Agreement with the following terms and conditions:

1. Her speech-language pathology shall be reprimanded.
2. She shall complete 20 CE hours. 10 of the 20 shall be specific to the clinical practice of speech-language pathology. The hours will be due 60 days from the effective date of the Consent Agreement.

Motion #14

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in cases 2015-75 with the addition of adding to:

- option number 1:
 - The 20 continuing education hours shall be due 60 days from the effective date of the Consent Agreement. The 20 hours shall not be applicable towards the current 2015-2016 licensure biennium;
 - The Respondent shall be audited for her continuing education hours for the 2015-2016 and 2017-2018 licensure bienniums;

- The Respondent shall complete an open book examination, provided by the board, related to the licensure requirements for speech-language pathology and audiology under Ohio Revised and Administrative Code Chapter 4753.
- If option number 2 is chosen by the Respondent, the Board shall assign a date that the written surrender must be received by. Ms. Mayle seconded the motion. Dr. Froehlich was absent. The motion passed uncontested.

2016-20

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who failed her “2014 Prior Board Action Continuing Education Audit.” This was her second failed audit in a row and for the same violation (zero specific to the clinical practice of speech-language pathology hours completed of the 20 hours). She opted to submit an audit waiver request letter versus completing 10 specific/clinical hours in 2015 to have applied towards her 2014 Audit. Her waiver request was not granted by IRG because her circumstances did not meet OAC 4753-4-01(A)(8)(b) and (11). She did not present evidence that her failure to obtain the required continuing education hours during the 2013-2014 licensure biennium was due to a personal illness, military service or circumstances that were beyond her control. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure June 1977.

Accordingly IRG recommends that the Board offer her the option of voluntarily surrendering her license or offer a Consent Agreement with the following terms and conditions:

1. The licensee’s speech-language pathology license shall be reprimanded.
2. She shall complete 10 CE hours specific to the clinical practice of speech-language pathology. The hours will be due 60 days from the effective date of the Consent Agreement.

Motion #15

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to accept the Investigative Review Group’s recommendation in cases 2016-20 with the addition of adding to:

- option number 1:
 - The 10 hours shall not be applicable towards the current 2015-2016 licensure biennium;
 - The Respondent shall be audited for her continuing education hours for the 2015-2016 and 2017-2018 licensure bienniums;
 - The Respondent shall complete an open book examination, provided by the board, related to the licensure requirements for speech-language pathology and audiology under Ohio Revised and Administrative Code Chapter 4753.
- If option number 2 is chosen by the Respondent, the Board shall assign a date that the written surrender must be received by. Ms. Mayle seconded the motion. Dr. Froehlich was absent. The motion passed uncontested.

Previously Heard by the Board

2016-04

This case involves a speech-language pathologist who renewed late for her first renewal. She practiced after the 12/31/2014 renewal deadline and for 128 days of the 189 days her license was expired. Billed services have been adjusted. She obtained speech-language pathology licensure January 2013. At the August 5, 2015 meeting, the board agreed with the Investigative Review Group Committee’s following recommendation in this case:

Due to this being the first offense for the Respondent, and for violation of Ohio Revised Code sections 4753.02, 4753.09, 4753.10(M), offer a Consent Agreement based on the following terms and conditions:

- *The Respondent will be suspended for the same number of days her license was expired, staying half, serving the 94 day suspension on designated days off (weekends, holidays, etc.) commencing after the board approves her Consent Agreement;*
- *The Respondent will complete 5 continuing education hours in the area of ethics and 5 hours in the area of documentation and record keeping;*
- *Proof of the 10 hours shall be reported to the Board within 60 days from the date the Board approves the Consent Agreement. These 10 hours will not be applicable towards the 20 continuing education hours required for the 2015-2016 licensure biennium for renewal;*
- *Continuing education hours will be audited for the next two practice biennium cycles, i.e., 2015-2016 and 2017-2018;*
- *The Respondent will complete an open book examination, provided by the Board, related to the licensure requirements for speech-language pathology and audiology under Ohio Revised and Administrative Code Chapter 4753.*

The Respondent agreed to the terms and signed her Consent Agreement. Accordingly, the Investigative Review Group recommends the Board accept the Respondent's signed Consent Agreement and close the case.

Motion #16

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to accept the Investigative Review Group's recommendation in cases 2016-04. Ms. Mayle seconded the motion. Dr. Froehlich was absent. The motion passed uncontested.

C. Investigative Report – Ms. Stansberry

OPENED	Cases since the last Board Meeting 8/5/2015	30
CLOSED	Cases since the last board meeting 8/5/2015	24
TOTAL Open Cases	After closing any cases today (includes referrals)	28
Consumer Complaints	Of total open cases	12
Referrals	Of total open cases	16

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

Billing Fraud	1
Continuing Education Violation	9
Conviction Application Review	0
Conviction	0
False or Misleading Advertisement	6
Falsified/Misleading Application	0
Illegal, Incompetent, or Habitually Negligent Practice	0
Impaired Practice	1
Misrepresentation of Credentials	0

Other	2
Practicing Under Expired/Inactive License	0
Supervised Professional Experience Violations	2
Unlicensed Practice	0
Unprofessional/Unethical Conduct	7

Outcome of some of the cases closed since the last meeting:

- 1 Surrendered License
- 2 Cease and Desist letters
- 1 Warning letter “14 Days or Less Practice under an Expired License”
- 11 Warning letters “CE Requirement Not Met”
- 3 Warning letters in lieu of Formal Discipline for late Plans/Report & Logs

2014 Continuing Education (CE) Audit

The following have been audited for their 2013-2014 licensure biennium CE clock hours:

	Audited	Pending Review	Reviewed-Pending Additional Info.	CE Not Reported	Passed	Failed
AUD- Includes: Random 10%, Part of 81 Late Renewals 1/1/15 through 2/6/15 and Part of 87 Prior Board Actions	48	0	0	0	44	4
SLP- Includes: Random 10%, Part of 81 Late Renewals 1/1/15 through 2/6/15 and Part of 87 Prior Board Actions	480	0	4	0	439	37
Late Renewals after 2/6/15 through to date	22	0	0	3 (First Renewals)	16	3
Board Members AUD	3	0	0	0	3	0
Board Members SLP	3	0	0	0	3	0
	556	0	4	3	505	44

To date, of the 556 audited, 549 have been reviewed to completeness (98% complete).

IRG Guidelines Updated

At their October 2, 2015 meeting, the IRG revised their existing Guidelines adding the following:

1. At the advice of the Boards’ legal counsel, licensees that enter into a Consent Agreement to serve suspension on designated days off (weekends, holidays, etc.) must complete their suspension within 6 months from the effective date of the agreement.
2. Conditional license holders that submit their Supervised Professional Experience Year (PEY) Report and Supervision Contacts Log (Report & Log) late by 60 days or more from their PEY end date (60 days late of the initial allowed 30 days), must now extend their PEY by the same number of days their Report & Log is late. Additionally, they shall complete 10 hours of education in training in documentation and record keeping. The hours are due along with their Report and Log, within 30 days of completing their experience.

- a. This addition/revision to the Guidelines mirrors the current guidelines regarding PEY "Plans" that are received late by 60 days or more.

Referrals to Investigations since the last board meeting:

- 1 open and pending
- 4 closed
- 3 Warning letters

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Rules Committee

There was no report for the Rules Committee.

B. Professional Competency Committee

Dr. Wellman reported that the Professional Competency Committee will meet immediately following the board meeting.

C. Policy and Procedure Committee

The Board reviewed a new policy for ePerformance.

Motion #17

Ms. Thorpe Wiley moved to approve the ePerformance work policy. Dr. Wellman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

BOARD BUSINESS

A. Facebook – Update

Administrative Professional Brandy Thomas updated the Board about its Facebook page since its launch in August. Ms. Thomas reported that over 1100 people have "Liked" the Board's page. The Board will post information and updates to its page on a regular basis.

B. HB184-Music Therapy Bill - Update

The Board received an update regarding the status of HB184, a proposed bill for licensure of music therapists. The Board is part of a workgroup that was formed after the bill was introduced earlier this year. The Board reviewed a letter that was prepared by the workgroup and sent to the bill's legislative sponsors listing several concerns and requesting a meeting with interested parties.

C. Service Delivery Operating Standards – Workload Process – Update

In late August the Board issued guidance to licensees practicing in the school setting on implementation of the workload determination process. The Board posted the guidance document on a new website with additional resources for school-based practitioners.

D. NCSB Conference – Update

Individuals who attended the annual conference sponsored by the National Council of State Boards of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology updated the Board on the various topics, training, and networking that occurred.

E. OSSPEAC Conference – Update

Dr. Wellman, Ms. Brown, and Mr. Thornton updated the Board on the presentations, feedback, and comments received during the annual conference sponsored by the Ohio School Speech Pathology Educational Audiology Coalition (OSSPEAC). OSSPEAC inserted the Board's workload determination guidance document in the conference registration bags.

F. Changes to OOD Reimbursement for Hearing Aids

The Board joined a workgroup which is reviewing the impact of recent changes to reimbursement rates implemented by Opportunities for Ohioans With Disabilities – Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation. The Board invited licensed audiologists to complete a survey to assess the impact the new rates for audiological services will have on consumers.

G. DOL Certification of Apprenticeship Standards for HIS

The Board discussed the U.S. Department of Labor's (DOL) certification of apprenticeship standards for hearing instrument specialists. The Board noted certain standards the DOL certified are within the scope of practice of audiology in Ohio. The Board directed the Executive Director to send a letter to the DOL expressing its concerns over the certification of standards that are within the scope of practice of audiology.

H. Board Appointments – Update

The Board presented Ms. Thorpe Wiley with a plaque in recognition of her outstanding leadership, dedication, and service on the board during her two terms.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board reviewed correspondence submitted by Donna Edwards, CCC-SLP, BCS-S and Gloria Valencia Au.D., CCC-A, and directed the Executive Director to respond to their inquiries. The Board also reviewed general correspondence.

MEMBER CONCERNS

Ms. Brown expressed concern over a report by the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) that recommends significant changes to the way consumers can access hearing care in the United States. One of the recommendations encourages the use of over-the-counter and online hearing aids and hearing tests for persons with mild-to-moderate hearing loss. The Board agreed that it should monitor this issue.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Ms. Amy Thorpe Wiley, Chairperson

Dr. Karen K. Mitchell, Vice Chairperson

Date

Date

Gregg B. Thornton, Executive Director

Date