



Ohio Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
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Columbus, Ohio 43215
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MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 A.M. by Chairperson, Patrick Mangino Au.D. in the Magnolia Room of the Easton Hilton.

Members present: Patrick N. Mangino, Au. D., Audiology Board Member, and Chairperson
Davida Parsons, M.A., Speech-Language Pathology Board Member
Board Member and Vice Chair
Carol P. Leslie, Ph.D., Speech-Language Pathology Board Member
Valenta Ward-Gravely, Au.D., Audiology Board Member
Susan O'Brien, Public Board Member
Ann Shotwell, Public Board Member
Patricia Zurlinden, M.A., Speech-Language Pathology Board Member

Also Present: Michael J. Setty, Executive Director
Doug Hart, Licensing Administrator
Vickie DiCesare, Investigator
Deborah Howard, Administrative Assistant
Dominic Chieffo, Assistant Attorney General

PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS' COMMENTS

Alan Segal, Au.D. asked the Board if disciplinary actions were reported to state professional organizations.

Disciplinary actions are reported to individuals or organizations on request. We report disciplinary actions to the National Practitioner Data Bank as mandated by law.

AGENDA

The agenda was presented and reviewed. Amendments were made.

Motion#1 Ms. Shotwell moved to accept the agenda as amended. Dr. Leslie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the January 25, 2005 meeting were reviewed.

Motion#2 Dr. Leslie moved to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2005 meeting. Ms. Zurlinden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

CHAIRPERSON'S COMMENTS

Dr. Mangino reminded the Board members that they would have to submit their continuing education documentation for the audit to the Board Investigator.

Goldman Hearing: Caryn Morse Documents attached to Minutes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. The Budget is on target for completing this fiscal year with a positive balance. All expense categories are within budget.
2. The Executive Director testified before the House Primary and Secondary Education Subcommittee on February 23. The Executive Budget recommendation was to allow \$408,000 for FY 2006, which will be acceptable.
3. The Executive Director will be testifying before the Senate Finance Committee on April 20.
4. Ms. Parsons, Dr. Leslie and Mr. Setty will be giving a Board update at the OSLHA Conference tomorrow at 1:30 P.M.
5. The Winter Newsletter was sent to over 4,000 licensees on our e-mail list on February 15.
6. The Executive Director gave presentations on licensure to graduate students at Ohio State, Ohio University, and Miami University in the past six weeks. He will be giving presentations to the graduate students at Cleveland State and Ohio State in April.
7. The Executive Director attended the Ohio Academy of Audiology Conference on February 24-25.
8. The Executive Director was reimbursed \$189 for mileage in January and February.

ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S REPORT

Mr. Chieffo reported that he had informed Carrothers attorney that the position she was considering at Case Western involved the practice of Speech Pathology and that she could not hold such a position during her suspension.

The attorney representing Connor failed to submit his brief in the case by the February 14, 2005 deadline in Mahoning Court of common Pleas. Mr. Chieffo moved for dismissal of the case on March 2, 2005

INVESTIGATIONS

Motion#3 Ms. Shotwell moved to enter Executive Session for the discussion of investigations. Dr. Leslie seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Mangino yes; Dr Leslie: yes; Ms. O'Brien: yes; Ms. Parsons: yes; Ms. Shotwell: yes; Dr. Ward-Gravely: yes; Ms. Zurlinden: yes.

The Board went into executive session at 9:50 A.M. with the Board staff in attendance.

Motion#4 Ms. Shotwell moved to reenter Public Session. Dr. Ward-Gravely seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr. Mangino: yes; Dr Leslie: yes; Ms. O'Brien: yes; Ms. Parsons: yes; Ms. Shotwell: yes; Dr. Ward-Gravely: yes; Ms. Zurlinden: yes.

The Board returned to Public Session at 10:23 A.M.

In case A05-09 the Board voted to send a 119 Notice of Opportunity at the December 5, 2004 Board Meeting proposing to deny the application of Jan Stuber. Ms. Stuber has submitted a written request to withdraw her application. She has submitted a new application with additional documentation. The Review Group recommended accepting her request to withdraw her first application and withdraw the 119 Notice of Opportunity.

Motion#5 Dr. Leslie moved to withdraw the 119 Notice of Opportunity in Case A05-09 since the applicant withdrew the initial application. Ms. Parsons seconded the motion, which passed uncontested.

Case C05-11 was a complaint of alleged unprofessional conduct. No actionable violation was found and the Review Group recommended closing the case.

Motion#6 Dr. Leslie moved to close case C05-11. Ms. O'Brien seconded the motion, which passed uncontested.

Case C04-30 involves a speech-language pathologist who failed to maintain adequate records of speech pathology services she provided to students while employed for a public school. A Consent agreement was signed. The Review Group recommended accepting the consent agreement and closing the case.

Motion#7 Dr. Leslie moved to accept the consent agreement in Case C04-30 and close the case. Ms. O'Brien seconded the motion which passed uncontested.

Case C05-07 involved unlicensed practice by a speech-language pathologist from January 1, 2003 to December 5, 2004 in a school setting. She failed also to notify the Board of her address change. A consent agreement was signed. The Review Committee recommended to accept the consent agreement and close the case.

Motion#8 Dr. Leslie moved to accept the consent agreement in Case C05-07 and close the case. Ms. O'Brien seconded the motion which passed uncontested.

Case A05-14 involved unlicensed practice by a speech-language pathologist on a part-time basis, from January 1, 2003 through December 13, 2004. A consent agreement was signed. The Review Group recommended to accept the consent agreement and close the case.

Motion#9 Dr. Leslie moved to accept the consent agreement in Case A05-14 and close the case. Ms. O'Brien seconded the motion which passed uncontested. Ms. Parsons abstained.

Case A05-12 involved unlicensed practice by an audiologist in a business setting, on a part time basis from January 1, 2003 to September 9, 2003 and from January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004 A consent agreement was signed. The Review Group recommended accepting the consent agreement and closing the case.

Motion#10 Dr. Leslie moved to accept the consent agreement in Case A05-12 and close the case. Ms. O'Brien seconded the motion which passed uncontested. Ms. Parsons abstained.

Late Renewals

Warning letters were sent to thirty-one licensees that renewed between January 1 and January 31 2005. About thirty have renewed late since January 31. Late renewals were required to pay an additional \$150 late fee.

Motion#11 Dr. Ward-Gravely moved to issue warning letters to individuals that have not renewed as of March 10, 2005 unless the licensees have a history of late renewals, which will be referred to the Review Committee. Ms. Parsons seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Business Filings

Ms. DiCesare reported that over 1700 letters were sent to schools and businesses for the Business filing. To date, nine cases of unlicensed practice were discovered; seven were in school settings and two were in business settings. Two of the cases involved individuals who were practicing without ever having been licensed.

Continuing Education Audit

Ms. DiCesare reported that she will begin the continuing education audit next week.

Motion#12 Dr. Ward-Gravely moved to enter Executive Session for the discussion of legal matters. Dr. Leslie seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote as follows:

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Dr. Mangino: yes; Dr Leslie: yes; Ms. O'Brien: yes; Ms. Parsons: yes; Ms. Shotwell: yes; Dr. Ward-Gravely: yes Ms. Zurlinden: yes.

The Board went into executive session at 11:15.

Motion#13 Ms. Shotwell moved to reenter Public Session. Dr. Ward-Gravely seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote as follows: Dr.Mangino: yes; Dr Leslie: yes; Ms. O'Brien: yes; Ms. Parsons: yes; Ms. Shotwell: yes; Dr. Ward-Gravely: yes; Ms. Zurlinden: yes.

The Board returned to Public Session at 11:45 A.M.

LICENSURE

Motion#14 Ms. Parsons moved to ratify the Speech-Language Pathology licenses granted by the Executive Director on February 1, 15, and March 1, 2005
Dr. Leslie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approved February 1, 2005

Barbara Ambuske	SP 8172
Shelly Vaughn	SP 8175
Ryan E. Peters	SP 8176
Charita Gadson	SP 8177
Sarah M. Clawson	SP 8178
Ann McConn Lynard	SP 6880 Re-Licensure
Lora L. Stagl	SP 8179

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Rachael Weis	SP 6207 Re-Licensure
Sara E. Platts	SP 8180
Clifton Derome	SP 8181
Erika Untch	SP 8182
Sophia Hadjian	SP 8183
Clare T. Coleman	SP 8184
Ameesh Shah	SP 8185

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Sheila Constantino	SP 5289 Re-Licensure
Julie P. Siebenaler	SP 4460 Re-Licensure
Beth Altenburger	SP 8186
Andrea Heilman	SP 8187
Jenna Miller	SP 8188

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Darcy S. Ahrens	SP 8189
Kerry Krall	SP 8190
Laura L. Nosse	SP 8191
Molly Tebben	SP 8192
Keri Smith	SP 8193
Jennifer Heckler	SP 8194

Motion#15 Ms. Parsons moved to ratify the Conditional Speech-Language Pathology licenses granted by the Executive Director on February 1, and March 1, 2005. Dr. Leslie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approved February 1, 2005

Sandra Winter CSP 2004035 2nd Conditional

Approved March 1, 2005

Kimberly Burg CSP 2005110

Motion# 16 Ms. Parsons moved to ratify the Audiology licenses granted by the Executive Director on February 1, 15, and March 1, 2005. Dr. Leslie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approved February 1, 2005

Sandra M. Kreidler A01414 Re-Licensure

Approved February 15, 2005

Thomas Evans	A 01517
Judy Lazor	A 01518

Approved March 1, 2005

Denise A. Roberts	A 01344 Re-Licensure
Lori Summe	A 01519

Motion#17 Ms. Parsons moved to ratify the Conditional Audiology license granted by the Executive Director on February 1, 2005. Dr Leslie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approved February 1, 2005

Kimberly Palumbo CA 2004013 2nd Conditional

Aide Licensure

Motion#18 Dr. Mangino moved to approve the audiology aide licenses for Michael B Radatz (0519 A) and Howard E. Scott (0506 A). Dr. Leslie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Licensure Issue

Yvonne P Scott was licensed in 1978 and has been retired for several years. She has maintained her license. Ms. Scott has been residing in a retirement facility and due to and illness has been unable to meet continuing education requirements for this renewal. Ms. Scott will not be able to practice speech pathology again. She is writing a book on speech-language pathology. She is requesting acceptance of her research as meeting the continuing education requirements for license renewal.

Motion#19 Ms Parsons moved to accept the research as meeting the educational requirements for Yvonne P Scott license renewal with the understanding that she will no longer be practicing speech-language pathology. Dr. Ward-Gravely seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The application for conditional speech-language pathology licensure of Jan Stuber was reviewed by the Board. Ms. Stuber did not provide evidence that she met educational requirements for conditional licensure. She did not provide evidence that she had the minimum student clinical experience from her master's program in education. She noted that she was approved for ASHA membership. She stated that she was having difficulty obtaining records of clinical experience from Ohio State. The Board requested further documentation of her clinical experience for consideration of her conditional license.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Governor Taft re: Consolidation of Licensing Boards.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Governor's letter on the proposed consolidation of the Licensing Boards.

2. Anne Strait re: Raabe Appeal information.

Oral arguments were made before the Franklin County Court of Appeals in the Raabe case. A decision is expected in several months.

3. Judi Griss re: Speech services for preschool aged children

The laws and rules governing speech pathology services do not address mandated services in the school setting.

4. Janice Maund re: state mandated hearing screenings and contracted speech services in schools.

Hearing screenings under the direction and supervision of a registered nurse are governed by the Nursing Board. Nurses will often supervise volunteers

who conduct the screenings. The Ohio Department of Health is aware of this situation and has not opposed the practice.

Contracted employees in the Cleveland school district are providing speech therapy services to students. District employees are completing the paperwork associated with these services. This situation will be investigated by the Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Rules Committee

The Rules committee met on January 25 and drafted changes that will be presented at the May 6 meeting. Public Hearings on the proposed changes will be conducted at the June 27 meeting.

BOARD BUSINESS

Proposal to consolidate Licensing Boards

The Board discussed at length the proposed consolidation of licensing boards in HB 66. The Board has significant concerns over the impact of such a move, given the experience of other states with consolidated licensing boards. Our Board has a good reputation for consumer protection and high standards and consolidation would significantly compromise this status. Our budget is entirely supported by the fees paid by our licensees and in no way contributes to the current budget deficit of the state.

Motion#20 Dr. Leslie moved to oppose the proposed consolidation of licensing boards as presented in HB 66 for the following reasons: the consolidation fails to insure consumer protection; the consolidation fails to demonstrate any cost savings; and the consolidation would destroy the current effectiveness that this board has established in supporting the consumers and licensees. Ms. Zurlinden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Strategic Planning Report

The final Strategic Planning Report was reviewed by the Board. Mr. Setty will provide periodic updates on its progress.

Au.D. Update

Mr. Setty reported that the committee chaired by Dr. Kukula was meeting with representatives of state professional organizations regarding the proposed changes in our statute to mandate the Au.D. for licensure after 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

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Motion#21 Ms. Shotwell moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:10 P.M. Ms. Zurlinden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Patrick N. Mangino, Chairperson Date

Dauida Parsons, Vice Chair Date

