South Carolina Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board Meeting

Thursday, April 20, 2017 10:00 A.M. Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building 110 Centerview Drive, Room 105 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Board Members Present

Gwendolyn Wilson, Ed.D. CCC-A, Chairperson Tanya T. Wilson, Ed.D. CCC-SLP Kelly A. Long, Au.D., FAAA, CCC-A Beth F. Montgomery, CCC-SLP Elizabeth Bunge, Public Member

Staff Present

Adam Russell, Advice Counsel Veronica Reynolds, Administrator Mack Williams, Board Assistant

Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at 110 Centerview Drive Columbia, SC 29210 Board of Examiners in Speech Language Pathology and Audiology office, lobby of the Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act. A quorum was present at all times.

Call to Order

Dr. Wilson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m., Room 105, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Approval of Agenda

The April 20, 2017 agenda was presented for review and approval.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval of Minutes

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to approve the January 19, 2017 minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval/Disapproval of absent members

All members present.

New Business

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Ms. Reynolds presented the OIE report to the Board. There are two pending investigations.

The Board accepted the statistical report as information.

Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report: Ms. Johnson, Esq. presented the ODC report; there are two (2) cases pending and one awaiting the final order.

<u>Financial Report:</u> Ms. Reynolds reviewed the finance report. The Board accepted the finance report as information.

Application Hearings

Initial Application

Somer Acierno: Ms. Acierno made an appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel. The purpose of the hearing was to determine if a license to practice as a Speech Language Pathologist should be granted.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel regarding the case. The motion was seconded and approved.

Executive Session:] No votes were taken during executive session. 10:33 a.m.-11:31 a.m.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Dr. T. Wilson made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the application for initial license with the condition of completing two hours of continuing education in an ASHA approved ethics course within thirty days of today's meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

Continuing Education Request for Approval or Disapproval

Aquatic Sensory & Motor Integration for the Pediatric Therapist

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion not approve the course on "Aquatic Sensory & Motor Integration for the Pediatric Therapist". The motion was seconded and approved.

Acquired Brain Injury: A Clinical Picture and Rehabilitation Strategies

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the course on "Acquired Brain Injury: A Clinical Picture and Rehabilitation Strategies" for six hours contingent on the course evaluation being submitted. The motion was seconded and approved.

NCAHR 2017 Conference: Advancing Your Hearing Rehab Skills

The course is ASHA approved.

Committee Update on Disciplinary Guidelines: Ms. Montgomery updated the Board on the disciplinary guidelines.

Discussion Items

Audit Date: The Board discussed the continuing education Audit.

Travel Policy: Ms. Reynolds reviewed the travel policy with the Board.

Continued Business

Set date for committee meeting to discuss Telepractice: The Board set a date to discuss Telepractice.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting at adjourned at 1:17 p.m.