

South Carolina Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
Board Meeting
Thursday, July 18, 2019 10:00 A.M.
Synergy Business Park, Kingtree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 105
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Board Members Present

Gwendolyn Wilson, Ed.D. CCC-A, Chairperson
Beth F. Montgomery, CCC-SLP, Vice Chair
Jason Wigand, Au.D., CCC-A
Sara D. Emory, CCC-SLP
Elizabeth Bunge, Public Member

Staff Present

Mack Williams, Administrator
Stacey L. Hewson, Advice Counsel
Julia Lawson, 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 Kingtree 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 10:02 a.m., Room 105 Kingtree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Approval of Agenda

The July 18, 2019 agenda was presented for review and approval.

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

Approval of Minutes

Motion: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the September 28, 2018 and April 18, 2019 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval/Disapproval of absent members

All members present.

New Business

OIE Report- Mr. Hinson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, presented the OIE Report. The Board accepted the OIE report as information.

IRC Report- Mr. Hinson, Office of Investigations and Enforcement, presented the IRC Report. Case 2019-53 is recommended for formal complaint and case 2019-54 recommended for dismissal.

Motion- In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations for case 2019-54. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion- In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to accept the IRC recommendations for case 2019-53. The motion was seconded and approved.

Financial Report: Mr. Williams reviewed the finance report. The Board accepted the finance report as information.

Disciplinary Hearing

Consent Agreement

Case 2018-3: The Respondent did not make a personal appearance before the board and was not represented by legal counsel. Ms. Baldwin, Office of Disciplinary Council, presented the Consent Agreement for case number 2018-3 to the Board.

Ms. Emory recused herself for the hearing.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to accept the Consent Agreement for case 2018-3. The motion was seconded and approved.

Ms. Emory rejoined the proceedings.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Montgomery 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.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved

Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report: Ms. Baldwin recommended cases 2019-3 and 2019-12 for dismissal.

Motion- In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to accept the ODC recommendations for case 2019-3 and 2019-12. The motion was seconded and approved.

Ms. Baldwin, Office of Disciplinary Council, presented the ODC report to the Board. The Board accepted the report as information.

Application Hearings

Reinstatement Application

Amy Williams: Ms. Williams 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 reinstated.

Motion: 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. 10:21 a.m.-11:33 a.m.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the application for reinstatement. The motion was seconded and approved.

Initial Application

Ashley Johnson: Ms. Johnson 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 Pathology Assistant should be granted.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Emory 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. 11:56 a.m. to 12:06 p.m.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to deny the application for the Speech Pathology Assistant license for failure to meet the requirements in the regulation. The motion was seconded and approved.

Chevin Whitby: Ms. Whitby 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 Assistant should be granted.

Motion: In open session, Mr. Wigand 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. 1:25 p.m. to 1:46 p.m.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion to come out of executive session. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Bunge motioned to approve the application for the Speech Pathology Assistant license based on the Indiana law requiring a clinical practicum and a letter from the university which is substantially equivalent to the regulation. The motion was seconded and approved.

SC Speech Hearing Association: Crystal Murphree-Holden V Chair for Higher Education SCSHA

Ms. Murphy addressed the Board with regards to changes in section 40-67-300 and how the changes would affect new graduates obtaining an intern license.

The Board received the testimony as information.

Continuing Education Request for Approval or Disapproval

Laryngectomy Symposium

Motion: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the CE request titled "Laryngectomy Symposium" for 4.5 hours. The motion was seconded and approved.

Discussion Items

Audit Schedule: Mr. Williams discussed the audits of the quarterly reports with the Board.

Learning Demonstration: The Board had a discussion relating to an inquiry regarding a learning demonstration.

Review SLPA Form: The Board reviewed the quarterly report form and recommended changes.

Supervision Requirements: The Board discussed the supervision requirements for speech pathology interns and speech pathology assistants.

NCSB Conference: The Board discussed the 2019 NCSB Conference.

Motion: In open session, Ms. Bunge motioned to approve two members and the administrator to attend the 2019 NCSB Conference. The motion was seconded and approved.

Legislative Update: Mr. Williams updated the Board on the recently passed legislation.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: In open session, Ms. Montgomery motioned to adjourn. The motion seconded and approved.

(The meeting adjourned at 4:02 p.m.)

Mack Wilde

Administrator

10-18-19

Date