

**South Carolina Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
Board Meeting
Thursday, April 21, 2016 10:00 A.M.
Synergy Business Park, Kingtree Building
110 Centerview Drive, Room 108
Columbia, South Carolina 29210**

Board Members Present

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

Staff Present

Donnell Jennings, Advice Counsel
Veronica Reynolds, Administrator
Mack Williams, Board Assistant

Absent Member:

Walter L. Roark, III, Public Member

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 10:01 a.m., Room 108, Kingtree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Approval of Agenda

The April 21, 2016 agenda was presented for review and approval.

Motion: In open session, Dr. T. Wilson 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 January 21, 2016 minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

Approval/Disapproval of absent members

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

New Business

Office of Investigations and Enforcement (OIE) Report: Ms. Myers presented the statistical report to the Board, in the first quarter there were two (2) cases received, and one (1) case closed.

The Board accepted the statistical report as information.

Ms. Myers presented the IRC report to the Board. There are four (4) formal complaints.

Motion: In open session, Dr. T. Wilson made a motion to accept the IRC recommendation for the four (4) formal complaints. The motion was seconded and approved.

Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report: Ms. Johnson, Esq. presented the ODC report; there is one (1) case pending.

The Board accepted the ODC report as information.

Financial Report: Ms. Reynolds reviewed the finance report. The Board accepted the finance report as information.

Application Hearings

Initial Applications

Kathleen Hodgson: Ms. Hodgson made a personal appearance before the Board and was not represented by legal counsel. The purpose of the hearing was to determine if a license to practice Speech Language Pathology should be granted.

Motion: In open session, Dr. T. Wilson made a motion to go into executive session to receive legal advice from counsel. The motion was seconded and approved.

[Executive Session:] No votes were taken during executive session. 10:48a.m.-11:16a.m.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Long 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 grant a license with the following restrictions: No Electronic Evaluations, assessments or treatments and you will not be able to advertise or hold yourself out as a "social coach" in South Carolina. The motion was seconded and approved.

Motion: In open session, Dr. T. Wilson made a motion that the Advice Counsel, a member of the Board and Board Administrator draft an e-blast to all licensees regarding the ongoing work dealing with tele-practice in reference to 40-67-110(7) (b) of the Practice Act. The motion was seconded and approved.

Letitia Kalady: Ms. Kalady attended via tele-conference and was not represented by legal counsel. The purpose of the hearing was to determine if a license to practice Audiology should be granted.

Motion: In open session, Dr. T. Wilson made a motion to conditionally grant a license upon submittal of sixteen (16) continuing education hours from the period April 1, 2013 thru March 31, 2015. The motion was seconded and approved.

Susan O'Brien: Ms. O'Brien attended via tele-conference and was not represented by legal counsel. The purpose of the hearing was to determine if a license to practice Audiology should be granted.

Motion: In open session, Dr. Long made a motion to grant a license to practice Audiology. The motion was seconded and approved.

Intern Application

Tara Watters: Ms. Watters made a personal 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 Speech Language Pathology Intern should be granted.

Ms. Montgomery recused herself from the hearing involving Ms. Watters.

Motion: In open session, Dr. T. Wilson made a motion to grant a license to practice as a Speech Language Pathology Intern. The motion was seconded and approved.

Ms. Montgomery rejoined the meeting.

Continuing Education Request for Approval or Disapproval

Low Country AHEC: Acquired Brain Injury: A Clinical Picture and Rehabilitation Strategies

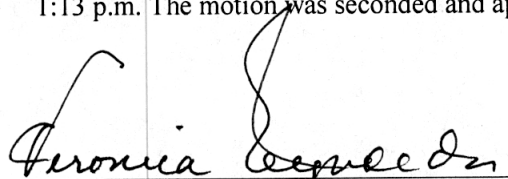
Motion: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the continuing education request from Low Country AHEC for a total of six (6) hours. The motion was seconded and approved.

Discussion Items

- a. **Tele-practice Committee Update:** The committee did not have anything to report at this time.
- b. **Jurisprudence Exam:** The Board discussed developing a jurisprudence exam.
- c. **Autism Diagnosis for SLP's-**The Board discussed diagnosing Autism. The discussion was postponed for a later date.
- d. **Senate Bill 589 Amending Practice Act to include Music Therapy-**The Board discussed senate bill 589. The current consensus of the Board is that it is not in support the legislation as it is currently written.
- e. **Consent Parameters-**The Board discussed developing consent parameters.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: There being no further business, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:13 p.m. The motion was seconded and approved.



Administrator

07/26/16

Date