# South Carolina Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board Meeting Thursday, January 20, 2022 10:00 A.M. Via Video/Teleconference

#### **Board Members Present**

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

# **Staff Present**

Donnell Jennings, Legal Counsel Mack Williams, Administrator

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 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held by video/teleconference.

### Approval of Agenda

The agenda was presented for review and approval.

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

# **Approval or Disapproval of Absent Members**

All Members Present

### Approval of the minutes

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion to approve the October 21, 2021 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

#### **Administrative Reports**

<u>Office of Investigations Report:</u> Ms. Amanda Branham, Office of Investigations Chief presented the OIE statistical report and training report. The Board accepted the reports as information.

Ms. Branham presented the IRC report to the Board. There were no cases submitted.

<u>Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report</u>: Mr. Jennings Advice Council, presented the ODC statistical report to the Board. The Board accepted the report as information.

<u>Finance Report</u>: Mr. Williams presented the finance report to the Board. The Board accepted the report as information.

## **Application Hearings**

Olivia Goodman: Ms. Goodman made a personal appearance before the board by WebEx video conferencing and was represented by J. Stringer Esq. The purpose of the hearing was to determine if a license to practice as a speech pathology assistant 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 application. The motion was seconded and approved.

[Executive Session] No votes were taken in executive session

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery 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 Ms. Goodman as a speech language pathology assistant based on the documentation from Shaw University indicating the 100 clock hours were completed within the bachelor's degree program. The motion was seconded and approved.

Allison Stuck: Ms. Stuck made a personal appearance before the board by WebEx video conferencing 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.

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

[Executive Session] No votes were taken in executive session [11:26am-11:47am]

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

In open session, the Board asked the applicant additional questions.

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

[Executive Session] No votes were taken in executive session [11:56am-12:09pm]

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

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Bunge made a motion to approve the application for the speech language pathology license. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Ellie Schanbacher:</u> Ms. Schanbacher made a personal appearance before the board by WebEx video conferencing 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.

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

[Executive Session] No votes were taken in executive session [12:39pm-1:01pm]

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

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion to grant the speech language pathology assistant license. The motion was seconded and approved.

#### **Discussion Items**

Legislative Update: Mr. Jennings updated the Board on the Proposed Regulations.

#### 2022 Board Election of Officers:

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion to nominate Dr. Wilson as Chair and Ms. Montgomery as Vice Chair. The motion was seconded and approved.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: In open session, Dr. Wigand mot Approved. (The meeting adjourned at 1:13	ioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded and 3pm)
	4-21.22
Administrator	Date