South Carolina Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board Meeting Thursday, January 18, 2024 10:00 A.M. 110 Centerview Drive, Midlands Room, Columbia, SC 29210

Board Members Present

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

Absent Member

Elizabeth Bunge, Public Member

Staff Present

Mack Williams, Board Administrator Marcie Greene, Advice Counsel Jonathan Owens, Program Coordinator

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 10:01 a.m.

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

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve Ms. Bunge's absence. The motion was seconded and approved.

Meeting Minutes

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the October 19, 2023 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

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Administrative Reports

Office of Investigations Report: Mr. Bond, Office of Investigations presented the OIE statistical report and training report. The Board accepted the reports as information.

Mr. Bond presented the IRC report to the Board. Mr. Bond presented one (1) Formal Complaint, Case# 2023-5, to the Board for approval.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion to accept the IRC recommendation of approval for Case # 2023-5. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report</u>: Ms. McMenamin presented the ODC report. 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.

Ethics Commission: Mr. Williams reminded the Board to file with the Ethics Commission prior to the deadline. The Board accepted the report as information.

Disciplinary Hearings:

Stipulation of Facts:

2021-2: The respondent made a personal appearance before the Board and was represented by Ms. Tracey Perlman, Esq. Ms. Baldwin presented the stipulation of facts to the Board.

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

(11:57 am - 12:27 pm) – No votes were taken during 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, Dr. Wigand made a motion to dismiss Case # 2021-2 for failure to find a violation. The motion was seconded and approved.

2024 Election of Board Officers:

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

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

NCSB-Request Travel Approval: Ms. Montgomery discussed the NCSB annual meeting with the Board.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion for the Ms. Montgomery's NCSB travel expenses be reimbursed by the Board. The motion was seconded and approved.

Discussion Items:

Speech Assistants- Quarterly Performance Review: Ms. Greene discussed the changes of the regulations with the Board. The Board deferred the Quarterly Review for Speech Assistants, for the April Board meeting. Ms. Emory will review and update the Speech Assistant Quarterly Review Form.

<u>Supervisor Clinical Experience Registrants:</u> Mr. Williams updated the Board with the SCER process. The Board discussed the extension process and possible changes.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Emory made a motion to grant Mr. Williams the authority to approve the extension. The motion was seconded and approved.

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery approved Ms. Emory to be the point of contact in situations staff have questions related to the SCER extension.

ASLP Compact Update: Dr. Wigand and Ms. Emory updated the Board on the ASLP Compact.

ADJOURNMENT

<u>Motion</u>: In open session, Ms. Montgomery motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded and approved. (The meeting adjourned at 1:17 pm)

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Administrator	Date