

**South Carolina Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology  
Board Meeting  
Thursday, January 18, 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  
Tanya T. Wilson, Ed.D. CCC-SLP, Vice Chair  
Kelly A. Long, Au.D, FAAA, CCC-A  
Beth F. Montgomery, CCC-SLP  
Elizabeth Bunge, Public Member

**Staff Present**

Stacey L. Hewson, Advice Counsel  
Mack Williams, Administrator  
Joanna Melo, Board Assistant

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**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 October 19, 2017 agenda was presented for review and approval.

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

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:** In open session, Dr. Long made a motion to approve the October 19, 2017 minutes. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Approval/Disapproval of absent members**

All members present.

## **New Business**

**IRC Report-** Mr. Jennings, Office of Disciplinary Counsel, presented the IRC Report. Case # 2017-11 was recommended for formal complaint.

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve case# 2017-4 for formal complaint. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Office of Disciplinary Counsel (ODC) Report:** Mr. Jennings, Office of Disciplinary Council, presented the ODC report; there are four (4) open cases, one (1) pending a Consent Agreement or Memorandum of Agreement. The Board accepted the ODC report as information.

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

**CE Broker Update:** Mr. Williams updated the Board on CE Broker. The board accepted the CE Broker update as information.

**Ethics Commission:** Mr. Williams reminded the Board to file with the Ethics Commission prior to the deadline of March 30, 2018.

## **Application Hearings**

### **Initial Application**

**Margaret L. Coker:** Ms. Coker made an appearance before the Board and was represented by Alexander Imgrund, ESQ. 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, Dr. T. Wilson 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. 10:53 a.m. to 12:22 p.m.

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

Board members had additional questions for Ms. Coker

**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. 12:47 p.m. to 1:16 p.m.

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

**Motion:** In open session, Dr. T. Wilson made a motion to disapprove the application for initial license. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Kristen Miller:** Ms. Miller 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 Intern should be granted.

**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. 1:29 p.m. to 1:35 p.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, Dr. Long made a motion to approve the application for initial license. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Joan B. Blackwelder:** Ms. Blackwelder 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.

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Montgomery motioned to accept the application of reinstatement of Ms. Blackwelder. The motion was seconded and approved.

#### **Continuing Education Request for Approval or Disapproval**

##### **CE's Converge Summit 2018**

**Motion:** In open session, Ms. Montgomery made a motion to approve the CE request for Converge Autism Summit in 2018 for eight (8) hours. The motion was seconded and approved.

**IRC Members:** The Board discussed a new IRC Member.

#### **Discussion Items**

**Update CEU Audit:** Mr. Williams updated the Board on the CE Audit.

**Tele-Practice Update:** Ms. Hewson updated the Board on Tele-practice Policy.

**Disciplinary Guideline Committee Update:** The Board discussed the disciplinary guidelines.


**Chapter 67 Proposed Legislation:** The Board reviewed Chapter 67 Proposed Legislation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

(The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.)

  
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