

KENTUCKY BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
MEETING MINUTES
December 10, 2024

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology was hosted by the Department of Professional Licensing on December 10, 2024, via Teams and in Mayo-Underwood Hearing Room 133CE at 1:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Angela Mikel, AUD
Margaret Adkins, AUD
Jennifer Lutes, SLP
Tamara Cranfill, SLP
Ciera Sherwood, SLP
Beth McNulty, M.D., Otolaryngologist

MEMBERS ABSENT

Deborah Harman

**DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL
LICENSING STAFF**

Gabriel Dent, Administrative Specialist Senior
Jamar Carter, Executive Staff Advisor
Kristen Lawson, Commissioner
Jenna Wells, Executive Staff Advisor

OTHERS

Clayton Patrick, Office of Legal Services
Amy Holland
Kara Newland
Matthew Barbara

Call to Order

Jennifer Lutes called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda - Minutes and Monthly Financial Report

The November 12, 2024, Board meeting minutes were presented for the Board's review. Jennifer Lutes motioned to approve the minutes. Angela Mikel seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The financial report for November 2024 was presented to the Board for review. There were no additional questions.

Licensure Status Report

Gabriel Dent presented the licensure status report to the Board for review. The Board had no additional questions.

DPL Report

No report.

Board Attorney's Report

Clayton Patrick, General Counsel for the Department of Professional Licensing, appeared on behalf of Board Counsel, Sara Janes.

Board counsel, Sara Janes, provided a written legal opinion regarding options the Board had to file a board complaint and/or issue a fine for a licensure applicant who practiced without a license under another licensee who was acting as an unofficial supervisor. The memorandum

was written in response to a Board inquiry and request for advisement from the November 12, 2024, meeting.

Gabriel Dent will present updates from Board Counsel, Sara Janes, on the status of 201 KAR 17:120E ASLP & 201 KAR 17:120 ASLP. The Board tabled discussion of those updates until new business.

Old Business

Gabriel Dent presented for Board review, potential Board and Committee meeting dates for 2025. After discussion, Jennifer Lutes motioned to accept the proposed meeting dates as presented. Tamara Cranfill seconded the motion and the motion carried. The Speech Language Pathology & Audiology Board will meet every other month on the second Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. The Board meeting dates in 2025 are January 14, March 11, May 13, July 8, September 9, and November 11. The Applications Committee will meet monthly on the second Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. The Complaints Committee will meet monthly on the second Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. The 2025 Applications and Complaints Committee meeting dates are January 14, February 11, March 11, April 8, May 13, June 10, July 8, August 12, September 9, October 14, November 11, and December 9. Committee recommendations made during the months the Board doesn't meet will be ratified at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting.

Jennifer Lutes reported an update on the status of the Board Investigative Services contract. The Investigative Services Scoring Committee met prior to the Board meeting at 10:00 a.m. The determination and finding of the scoring committee was that of the submitted proposals, Clinton Investigations, was the highest scoring vendor pursuant to the RFP scoring method. Clinton Investigations to be awarded the Investigative Services contract for the Kentucky Board of Speech Language Pathology & Audiology.

Gabriel Dent presented the licensure tracking sheet to the Board. There were no updates to report.

Gabriel Dent provided a reminder to the Board to check E-Services for audited renewals submitted for Board review.

The Board deferred discussion on the Mental Health Working Committee meeting dates until the January 14, 2025, Board meeting.

The Board deferred discussion on the status of the 201 KAR 17:090 amendment until the January 14, 2025, Board meeting.

New Business

The Board discussed member appointments to the SLPA Regulations Committee. Margaret Adkins and Angela Mikel volunteered for appointment to the committee. After discussion, the Board agreed to appoint both Margaret Adkins and Angela Mikel to the SLPA Regulations Committee.

Gabriel Dent presented updates from Board Counsel on the status of proposed administrative regulations 201 KAR 17:120E ASLP and 201 KAR 17:120 ASLP.

- Board Counsel filed the Board's proposed emergency administrative regulation, 201 KAR 17:120E ASLP and ordinary administrative regulation, 201 KAR 17:120 ASLP, with the Legislative Research Commission on November 26, 2024.
- Notices of the proposed administrative regulations were posted to the Board website.

- The public hearing date and public comment period end date for each proposed regulation was reported to the Board.
- The Administrative Regulation Review Subcommittee (ARRS) is scheduled for February 11, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., and March 25, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. Jennifer Lutes volunteered to accompany Board Counsel, Sara Janes, to the in-person ARRS meetings at the Capital Annex, on the above date. The Board agreed to Jennifer Lutes appointment.

Pending Complaints

The complaints committee reviewed the following complaints & provided the following recommendations.

- 2024-SLP-00004: Issue a written private admonishment and require the licensee to complete and verify completion of 10 CEU hours related to ethics, 2 of which must be in person, within 180 days. Board Counsel to draft the written private admonishment to be sent to the licensee. Follow up correspondence to be completed by the Administrative Specialist Senior.
- 2024-SLP-00005: Informal Settlement offer to pay a \$250 fine and complete 2 CEU hours related to supervision requirements and provide verification within 90 days. Board Counsel to draft the agreed order for licensure review. Follow up correspondence to be completed by the Administrative Specialist Senior.
- 2024-AUD-00002: Board initiated complaint against licensee A.H. for violation of section 1 of 201 KAR 17:041. Board Counsel to draft the Board complaint. Follow up correspondence to be completed by the Administrative Specialist Senior.

Jennifer Lutes made a motion to approve the complaint committee recommendation for 2024-SLP-00004, 2024-SLP-00005, and 2024-AUD-00002. Tamara Cranfill seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Applications Review

The Applications Committee reviewed the following applications prior to today's meeting and provided the resulting recommendations. Jennifer Lutes motioned to accept the committee's recommendations. Tamara Cranfill seconded the motion and the motion carried.

AUDIOLOGY- APPROVED:

AUDIOLOGY-APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS: *Matthew Barbara*

AUDIOLOGY- DEFERRED:

AUDIOLOGY-DENIED:

AUDIOLOGY-REINSTATEMENTS-APPROVED:

AUDIOLOGY INTERIM – APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- CHANGE IN SUPERVISION Approved: *Piper Figley,*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- CHANGE IN SUPERVISION-Deferred:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM-EXTENSION REQUEST-APPROVED: *Madison Nalley*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- EXTENSION REQUEST- DENIED:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM-EXTENSION REQUEST-DEFERRED:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- APPROVED:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- APPROVED WITH PROVSIONS:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- DEFERRED:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM-DENIED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT - APPROVED: *Alexis Freson,*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT-APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS:

Cally Sue Harlin

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT-EXTENSION REQUEST-

APPROVED: *Holly Drake*

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT PPE REPORT/EVALUATION-
APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT CHANGE IN SUPERVISION
APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT- APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT- APPROVED WITH PROVISION:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT – REINSTATEMENT – APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT CHANGE IN SUPERVISION- APPROVED:

Rebecca Young

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- APPROVED: *Carrienne Troncin, Sherry Michel, Jaymi
Carpenter, Caitlin Fattore, Gabrielle Emmons, Juliana Farrage, Olivia Grace Higgins, Savannah Van
Hoose, Carly Levine, Alexis Scott, Madison Fraley, Marina Coakley, Abigail Prather*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS: *Emily Good*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- DEFERRED:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY-DENIED

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- REINSTATEMENTS- APPROVED: *Fatima Warren*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- REINSTATEMENTS – APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS:

Sonja Nicholas

SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- REINSTATEMENTS- DEFFERED:

SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- REINSTATEMENTS- DENIED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY-RENEWAL-APPROVED:

REIMBURSEMENT: *Kelly Cleary*

REACTIVATION OF LICENSURE:

RATIFICATION OF LICENSURE: *Kira Wires (SLP Renewal)*

MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

OTHER:

RATIFICATION OF CONTINUING EDUCATION:

CONTINUING EDUCATION – APPROVED: *Warren County Board of Education – November Speech
PLC (11/4/2024), Associates in Pediatric Therapy – Addressing Muscle Weakness to Improve Functional
Outcomes for Feeding and Speech (11/6/2024), University of Kentucky Communication Sciences and
Disorders – CSD 720 Professional Issues Ethics Module (10/7/2024-11/4/2024)*

CONTINUING EDUCATION – PARTIALLY APPROVED: *Warren County Board of Education –
October Speech Meeting (10/15/2024), Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative – Have Yourself a Meaningful
Holiday Meaningful Speech Gestalt Language Processing (12/12/2024),*

Approval of Travel and Per Diem

A motion was made by Jennifer Lutes to approve travel, food, and per-diem for today's meeting as well as any additional dates to handle board duties. Angela Mikel seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Jennifer Lutes to adjourn the board meeting at 1:16 p.m. Tamara Cranfill seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Kentucky Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology board is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2025. The meeting is hosted by the Department of Professional Licensing.