

KENTUCKY BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
MEETING MINUTES
March 12, 2024

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology was hosted by the Department of Professional Licensing on March 12, 2024, in Mayo-Underwood Hearing Room 133CE at 1:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Lutes, SLP
Margaret Adkins, Audiologist
Angela Mikel, Audiologist
Tamara Cranfill, SLP
Ciera Mills, SLP
Beth McNulty, Otolaryngologist

DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL LICENSING STAFF

Kristen Lawson, Commissioner
Jamar Carter, Executive Staff Advisor
Gabriel Dent, Boards & Commissions Support Specialist
Jenna Wells, Administrative Specialist III

MEMBERS ABSENT

Deborah Harman, Citizen-At-Large

OTHERS

Stacy Gerrard

Call to Order

Chairman Lutes called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

Consent Agenda – Minutes and Monthly Financial Report

Minutes from February 13, 2024, Board meeting were presented for the Board’s review. Jennifer Lutes motioned to approve the minutes. Ciera Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried.

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

DPL Report

No report

Licensure Status Report

The Boards & Commissions Support Specialist presented the licensure status report to the Board.

Pending Complaints

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

- 2023-SLP-06: Dismissal with private admonishment. Letter of dismissal to be drafted by Board Counsel.
- 2024-SLP-01: Tabled until next meeting.

A motion to approve was made by the Complaints Committee. Ciera Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Board Attorney’s Report

No report

Old Business

The Board reviewed the ABA-C Certification inquiry from the January 9, 2024, Board Meeting. Margaret Adkins is going to reach out to the inquirer to ask for additional information. Additional discussion of the ABA-C Certification was tabled until the April 9, 2024, Board meeting.

The Board discussed the Regulation Amendment Committee for 201 KAR 17:090. There were no updates to report.

Board & Commissions Support Specialist presented licensure tracking sheet updates to the Board.

New Business

Chairman Lutes motioned for the Board to keep an Investigative Service contract. Ciera Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried. The Board's current Investigative Services contract expires on June 30, 2024, and that contract is not up for renewal. The Board will go through the RFP process to bid out for an investigator.

The Boards & Commissions Support Specialist provided the Board with an update received from ASHA regarding CCC misinformation that has recently circulated. ASHA advised there have been no changes to the status of the CCC Certification and that ASHA should still be the first point of contact for all CCC questions.

The Board reviewed a licensee email request to have their renewal late fee waived. The Board denied the request. Follow up correspondence to be sent by the Boards & Commissions Support Specialist.

The Board reviewed an email question on Audiogram guidelines. Follow up correspondence to be sent by the Boards & Commissions Support Specialist.

Jennifer Lutes moves and Margaret Adkins seconds entering closed session at 1:28 p.m. pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j) for deliberations of quasi-judicial bodies regarding complaints at which information protected by KRS 61.810(1)(k) may be discussed.

Jennifer Lutes moves and Margaret Adkins seconds returning to open session and the motion carried.

Jennifer Lutes announces the time returning from closed session at 1:34 p.m.

The Board reviewed an email inquiry on licensure requirements for dispensing Lenire, a Class II medical device. The Board is unable to provide legal or advisory opinions but did note they were not aware of any prohibition from utilizing Class II medical devices within the regulations and applicable statutes. Follow up correspondence to be sent by Board Counsel.

Margaret Adkins moves and Tamara Cranfill seconds entering closed session at 1:37 p.m., pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j) for deliberations of quasi-judicial bodies regarding complaints at which information protected by KRS 61.810(1)(k) may be discussed.

Tamara Cranfill moves and Angela Mikel seconds returning to open session and the motion carried.

Jennifer Lutes announces the time returning from closed session at 1:39 p.m.

The Board reviewed an email inquiry tabled from the February 13, 2024, Board meeting, about retroactively registering/approving an interim SLP supervisor so that hours worked by the licensee can be verified by ASHA. The Board advised they can approve a supervision change if the licensee/supervisor agree the supervision took place, but that it is up to ASHA to decide whether to approve the PPE hours completed under that supervision. Follow up correspondence to by the Boards & Commissions Support Specialist.

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. Ciera Mills seconded the motion and the motion carried.

AUDIOLOGY- APPROVED:

AUDIOLOGY-APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS:

AUDIOLOGY- DEFERRED:

AUDIOLOGY-DENIED:

AUDIOLOGY-REINSTATEMENTS-APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- CHANGE IN SUPERVISION Approved:

Madison Nalley, Rachel Meredith,

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

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM-EXTENSION REQUEST-APPROVED: *Hayley Harris*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- EXTENSION REQUEST- DENIED:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM-EXTENSION REQUEST DEFERRED-

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- APPROVED: *Sarah Ray,*

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM-APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM- DEFERRED:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM-DENIED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT- APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT-APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS -

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT PPE REPORT/EVALUATION -

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY INTERIM ASSISTANT CHANGE IN SUPERVISION -

APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT- APPROVED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT - REINSTATEMENT - APPROVED: *Tracey Bailey,*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT CHANGE IN SUPERVISION- APPROVED:

Sharon Stiltner,

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- APPROVED: *Noelle Jirah Llerena Steiden, Mia Fioranelli,*

Kaitlin Johnson, Elizabeth Cumberledge, Allison Bleovins, Shelbi Woods, Alyssa Osborn, Jennifer Christopher, Kelly Poe, Anita Ortiz, Mariah McKee

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- DEFERRED:

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY-DENIED

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- REINSTATEMENTS- APPROVED: *Sarah Hendrickson, Susan Owens, Rickibeth Johnson, Makenzie McEnroe, Amy Childress, Tucker Bethay, Mary Hefner, Carolyn Branham, Amanda Frederick, Sarah Browning, Allison Roe,*

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- REINSTATEMENTS – APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS: *Nicole Ponting,*

SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- REINSTATEMENTS- DEFFERED: *Elizabeth Atcher, Kaela Wiggington,*

SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY- REINSTATEMENTS- DENIED:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY-RENEWAL-APPROVED:

REIMBURSEMENT: *Noelle Jirah Llerena Steiden,*

REACTIVATION OF LICENSURE:

MISCELLANEOUS: *Janice Smith, Jennifer Lee Johnson,*

RATIFICATION OF LICENSURE: *Emily Adcock (SLPA), Tamara Jaber (Interim SLPA), Shelby Turner (Interim SLPA), Amber Fortner (Interim SLP), Cassie Shea (Interim SLP Extension Request), Molly McLaughlin (SLP Reinstatement), Christina Usleaman (Change in PPE/Supervision), Kara Cole (SLP Reinstatement), Rebecca Kirtland (SLP Reinstatement), Maury Greer (SLP Reinstatement), Jill Corwin (SLP Reinstatement), Leigh Beth Shafer (SLP Reinstatement), Rebecca Oliver (SLP Reinstatement), Lindsay Stang (SLP Reinstatement)*

RATIFICATION OF CONTINUING EDUCATION:

CONTINUING EDUCATION: *Warren County Board of Education – SLP PLC Why Collect Data Using Probes?, GRREC & Warren County Public Schools – SLP Evaluation Process & Eligibility Coaching Session*

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. Ciera Mills seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Adjournment

Jennifer Lutes made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 1:46 p.m. Margaret Adkins seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The next regular meeting of the Kentucky Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology board is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, 2024. hosted by the Department of Professional Licensing.