

## TENNESSEE BOARD OF COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AND SCIENCES

**DATE:** May 12, 2009

**TIME:** 9:00 A.M., CST

**LOCATION:** Health Related Boards  
Ground Floor, Poplar Room  
227 French Landing  
Nashville, TN 37243

### BOARD MEMBERS

**PRESENT:** Dr. Melinda Richards, Speech Pathologist, Chair  
Dr. William Dickinson, Audiologist  
Dr. Jerome Thompson, M.D.  
Ms. Paulette Dobbins, Speech Pathologist  
Ms. Lynne Harmon, Speech Pathologist  
Mr. Shorty Freeland, Citizen Member

### STAFF MEMBERS

**PRESENT:** Stacy Tarr, Board Administrator  
Elizabeth Miller, Director  
Lucy Bond, Attorney  
Al Partee, General Counsel  
Ashley Carter, Deputy General Counsel  
Ben Mezer, Attorney  
Barbara Maxwell, Administrative Director

Dr. Richards, chair, called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. A quorum was present.

Al Partee, General Counsel, introduced two new OGC staff members to the Board, Ashley Carter, Deputy General Counsel and Ben Mezer, Attorney.

### **Rulemaking Hearing**

Ms. Bond conducted a rulemaking hearing for rule 1370-01.01 definitions; 1370-01-.04, qualifications for licensure, 1370-01-.05 procedures for licensure, 1370-01-.10 clinical fellowship and supervision and, 1370-01-.15 disciplinary actions, civil penalties, assessment of costs and subpoenas.

Dr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Harmon, to approve the rules. A roll call vote was conducted and all members voted in the affirmative.

## **Minutes**

Ms. Harmon made a motion, seconded by Dr. Thompson, to approve the February 10, 2009 minutes as amended. The motion carried.

## **Minutes**

The Board reviewed the December 11, 2008 HIS Council Meeting minutes.

## **Conflict of Interest**

Ms. Bond asked the Board members to recuse themselves if they have a potential conflict of interest in any matter coming before the Board.

Ms. Bond said all discussions regarding Board business must be done on the record.

## **Office of General Council Report**

Ms. Bond said the Board has one (1) case in OGC.

Ms. Bond said the amendments to rules 1370-.01-.01, -.03, -.10, -.14 and -.19 were sent to the Attorney General for review and approval on February 24, 2009.

The Board adopted the policies pertaining to continuing education violations and lapsed licenses.

## **Investigative Report**

The Board has two (2) open complaints against speech pathologists and one (1) against an audiologist in Investigations.

Michael Swaoloke asked the Board members to recommend practitioners to serve as consultants. The Board suggested Dr. Mary Dale Fitzgerald and Dr. Wanda Webb.

## **Disciplinary Report**

There is one (1) speech pathologist currently being monitored.

## **Financial Report**

The Board has a surplus of \$9,986.78 as of June 30, 2008. Ms. Tarr said the Board members should receive a new financial report by July 2009.

## **Administrative Report**

There are 326 licensed audiologists, 1659 licensed speech pathologists and 55 registered speech language pathology assistants.

Of the forty-two (42) audiologists audited from January 1, 2008 through October 2008, thirty-one (31) were compliant and seven (7) were non-compliant.

Of the sixty-six (66) speech pathologists audited from January 1, 2008 through November 2008, forty-eight (48) were compliant and fourteen (14) were non-compliant.

### **New Licenses**

Ms. Dobbins made a motion, seconded by Dr. Thompson, to approve the following new licenses for speech language pathologists:

Morrison, Alexandria	3741
Kenney, Jessie	3771
Lopez, Gema	4027
Willis, Adrenne	3549
Jefferson III, Caswell	4021
Emanuele, Melissa	3998
Tribble, Renee	4029
Knoblauch, Cara	3977
Stewart, Michelle	4018
Williams, Bradley	4031
Tong, Jennifer	4020
Render, Mandy	3835
Harvey, Jennine	3618
Thielemier, Rebecca	4016
Martin, Karen	4032
Smith, Annie	3897
Greer, Latasha	3745
Williams, Kelly Jo	4036
Plasman, Anne	4034
Gonzalez, Sonia	4033
Lovell, Ashley	3810
Pope, Kelly	3877
Jeffreys, Kathryn	3884
Williams, Christian	3854
Copeland, Katherine	4030
McCarthy, Sara	4049
Dudley, Keenya	3985
Howell, Santje	3885
Fowler, Ashley	4043
Corcione, Michelle	4048
Lund, Emily	3863
Pearson, Emily	3800
Hicks, Molly	3856
Brandon, Doris	4058
Ray, Anna	3864
Roberts, Megan	4056
Fraley, Elizabeth	3853
Young, Nena	3903

Rogers, Valerie	3797
Pearson, Amy	3800

The motion carried.

Dr. Dickinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Matlock, to approve the following new licenses for audiologists:

Kennady, Mary	1544
Derat, Leslie	1545
Williams, Christine	1520

The motion carried.

Ms. Harmon made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dobbins, to approve the following new licenses for speech language pathology assistants:

Lyons, Allyson	329
Cole, Keri	327
McCollum, Grayson	326
Quarcoo, Andrea	328
Finken, Dacia	324
Kacker, Divya	325

The motion carried.

### **File Review**

Dr. Matlock made a motion, seconded by Ms. Harmon, to approve the application of **Jeanne Norris**, speech language pathologist, who had discipline in another state for continuing education violation. The motion carried.

Ms. Dobbins made a motion, seconded by Dr. Dickinson, to approve the application of **Carolyn McWatters**, audiology clinical fellowship year. The motion carried.

### **Continuing Education Agreed Citations**

Mr. Freeman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Thompson, to approve the following agreed citations for speech language pathologists:

#### Speech Language Pathologists

<u>Name</u>	<u>License Number</u>
Brandon, Terry	703
Dycus, Luanna	2864
Hankins, Barbara	1710
Hutchinson, Stacie	2498
Loden, Heather	2377

Schwartz, Katherine	2282
Young, Casey	546

The motion carried.

Dr. Dickinson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Dobbins, to approve the following agreed citations for audiologists:

Audiologists

<u>Name</u>	<u>License Number</u>
Borren, Krisha	1058
Leyhue, Stephanie	1052
Babb, Pamela	87
Cox, Benton	120
Evans, Tony	1350

The motion carried.

Ms. Harmon made a motion, seconded by Dr. Thompson, to approve the following agreed citation for a speech language pathology assistant:

Speech Language Pathology Assistant

<u>Name</u>	<u>Registration Number</u>
Green, Deborah	234

The motion carried.

**Agreed Citation for Lapsed License**

Dr. Thompson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Harmon, to approve the following agreed citation for audiology:

Audiologist

<u>Name</u>	<u>License Number</u>
Everitt, David	1387

The motion carried.

### **Other Board Business**

The Board formed a task force consisting of Dr. Matlock, Ms. Harmon and Mr. Freeland to review existing rules and suggest any changes they feel necessary.

With no other Board business to conduct, Ms. Harmon made a motion, seconded by Dr. Dickinson, to adjourn at 10:35 a.m.

**Ratified by the Board of Communication Disorders and Sciences at the August 11, 2009 board meeting.**