

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMUNICATIONS DISORDERS AND SCIENCES

- Date:** November 7, 2006
- Time:** 10:05 a.m.
- Location:** EMS Conference Room, 3rd Floor
227 French Landing
Heritage Place Metro Center
Nashville, TN 37243
- Members Present:** Dr. Melinda Richards, Speech Pathologist, Chair
Dr. Brian Burkey, Physician
Dr. Mary Fino-Szumski, Audiologist
Dr. William W. Dickinson, Audiologist
Dr. Herbert J. Gould, Audiologist
- Members Absent:** Ms. Nakeda Rochelle Kirby, Consumer
Dr. Sandra Newsom, Speech Pathologist
- Staff Present:** Ms. Bonnie Ferrell, Board Administrator
Ms. Juanita Presley, Advisory Attorney
Mr. Jerry Kosten, Rules Coordinator
Ms. Marva Swann, Unit Director
Ms. Brandi Bozarth, Litigating Attorney
- Visitors Present:** Mr. John Williams, Lobbyist
Ms. Courtney Cross, Court Reporter

A quorum being present, the Board meeting was called to order by Dr. Melinda Richards
10:15 a.m.

Office of General Counsel

Ms. Juanita Presley, the Board's advisory attorney reminded the Board members of their responsibilities under the conflict of interest policy. Ms. Presley reviewed the travel requirements with the Board. Ms. Presley also explained the Little Hatch Act reminding Board members of certain restrictions on their participation in political activities.

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Rules

Mr. Jerry Kostin reviewed the following rule amendments for Hearing Instrument Specialists. The Council for Licensing Hearing Instrument Specialists had voted to accept said amendments as written at their October 12, 2006 meeting:

Deleting signature requirement on photographs

Refund of examination fees

Change wording from copies of bills of sale for audiometers to bills of sale for hearing instruments

Delete informal settlements

Stays and reconsiderations of disciplinary matters

After reviewing the rule amendments, Dr. Brian Burkey made a motion to accept them as written. The motion was seconded by Dr. Mary Fino-Szumski. Dr. Richards then conducted a roll call vote with all board members voting yes.

Contested Case

Ms. Brandi Bozarth informed the Board that Ms. Tami Michelle Jobe had accepted an Agreed Order. She presented the Board with a copy of the Agreed Order. Ms. Jobe had been convicted of health care fraud on March 6, 2006 for submitting claims for services to the Division of Mental Retardation Services she did not provide. The Board revoked Ms. Jobe's license pursuant to Tennessee Rule 1370-1-.13 and assessed her the cost of this action pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-17-117.

Policy Statement

Ms. Marva Swann explained the policy statement regarding Patient Safety: Culture of Learning, Justice and Accountability to the Board. Dr. Fino- Szumski made a motion to accept the policy as written. The motion was seconded by Dr. Burkey and the motion carried.

O.G.C. Report

Ms. Presley reviewed the O.G.C. Report with the Board. There was a long and detailed discussion regarding endoscope. She stated that it was a medical procedure and therefore Speech Pathologists could not do this procedure in private practice. She stated that if they were working in a hospital or doctor's office they could be considered his assistant and could perform an endoscope as long as the doctor was there should there be a problem.

Mr. John Williams is of a different opinion. He thinks it is a matter of analyzing the language in our rules and laws. He suggested that there be a list of procedures so Speech Pathologists would know what was a medical procedure and what was a non-medical procedure.

Ms. Presley agreed that there was nothing in our rules or laws listing what was a medical procedure and what was a non-medical procedure.

Dr. Richards requested Ms. Bonnie Ferrell to discuss this with Mr. Kosten and have this subject put on the Sunshine Notice for the February 27, 2007 Board meeting.

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the August 8, 2006 Board meeting. Dr. Gould made a motion to accept the minutes with two (2) minor changes in the wording. Dr. Burkey seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the Hearing Instrument Specialists, October 12, 2006 Council meeting. There was no action taken; they were for their information only. Dr. Richards requested Ms. Ferrell to keep them informed on any information she has on the simulator the Council is thinking of using for their examinations.

Administrator's Report

Ms. Ferrell reviewed the Administrator's Report with the Board, informing them that it was taking longer to license applicants due to waiting on the Criminal Background Check. She said she was holding applications open longer than the sixty (60) days if all that was missing was the Criminal Background Check.

Dr. Richards requested Ms. Ferrell to add a quarterly data status regarding licensees that went into failed to renew.

Investigative Report/Disciplinary Report

Ms. Swann reviewed the investigative report with the Board explaining that as of the end of September there was only one (1) open complaint in investigations. She went on to inform them that according to the disciplinary report there was no new disciplinary action taken since May 2, 2006.

Financial Report

The Board was informed that there was no new financial report at this time. Ms. Ferrell stated that she had just addressed envelopes for the new financial report to be mailed to them. They should receive it within a week to ten days. Dr. Burkey stated that he was still in favor of doing something with the Boards carryover money. This will be brought up again after we receive the latest financial statement.

Ratification of Licensure

Dr. Burkey made a motion to approve the following applicants for licensure. Dr. Dickinson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS

1. Adams, Kendall Ashley - 3522
2. Agostini, Angela J. – 3327
3. Alcon, Andrea Dana - 3538
4. Allen, LaShonda M. - 3511
5. Critlenden, Crista Lynne - 3540
6. Cuellar, Megan E. - 3375
7. Gibson, Katherine Louise - 3317
8. Gustafson, Bethany A. – 3403
9. Harrell, Carrie Donehew - 3318
10. Harrell, David Blake - 3269
11. Harris, Stephanie Ginger – 3507
12. Hatcher, Lorissa A. – 3288
13. Hayman, Brooke D. - 3328
14. Hensley, Denise Carol - 2695
15. Hill, Tiffani Brooke - 3516
16. Holder, Erin Alaine – 3553
17. Holloman, Chirstopher J. - 3316
18. Holloran, Cynthia M. - 3321
19. Irwin, Christain – 3168
20. Jacks, Courtney Suzann – 3356
21. Jacobs, Rebecca A. - 3389
22. Jett, Rochel J. – 3315
23. Johnson, Miranda Donye – 3505
24. Jolly, Katie P. – 3359
25. Kerley, Kathryn E. - 3338
26. Kulaski, ANNA – 3515

27. Linder, Kaylan Nacoe – 3392
28. Marko, Susan Elizabeth - 3519
29. Marshall, Marilyn H. – 3543
30. Mentor, Kennetha Sheeti'la - 3567
31. Nelson, Jonee'T – 3334
32. Nicholson, Kimberly Anne – 3523
32. Polidor, Tiffany Andrew - 3343
33. Rich, Jennifer Lee - 3350
34. Ruef, Olivia L. – 3362
35. Schafehen, Elizabeth Megan – 3514
36. Sellers, Kendra Poehling - 3537
37. Shofner, Angela G. - 3395
38. Snyder, Shannon W. – 3354
40. Traver, Jenelle C. - 3381
41. Triche, Lisa Marie Wood – 3409
42. Ward, Suzanne – 3520
43. White, Stephanie Tereece – 1470 -
44. Wohlwend, Kerma Diane - 3546

AUDIOLOGISTS

1. Bass, Amber C. - 1435
2. Beason, Holly A. – 1427
3. Burks, Chirstopher Andrew – 1468
4. Kingsbury, Jenny L. – 1467
5. Loomis, Brianne N. - 1471
6. Morgan, Nancy Fay – 1465

SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS by RECIPROCITY

1. Allen, Mary Ruth – 3575 -VA – KY
2. Charles, Rose Marie – 3570 - TX
3. Crain, Scarlet Kay – 3539 – VA
4. DeLapp, Teresa Janine – 3563 – LA
5. Eacret, Amanda J. – 3562 – IL
6. Helton, Denise Martin – 3578 – KY - IN
7. Lewis, Nora Jane – 3573 - NC
8. Miller, Patricia L. – 3554 – KY
9. Nuccio, Karen Marie – 3496 – MA
10. Phillips, Susan D. – 3564 - AR
11. Singleton, Patricia O' Lane – 3518 – NC
12. Skubisz, Kelly Clingempeel – 1469 – VA

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13. Small, Stacy Ann – 3552 - NC
14. Stallings, Deborah – 3529 – ME, NC, FL
15. Tanner, Julie Anne – 3544 – WI, FL
16. Winfrey Kathryn Regina – 3513 - TX

SPEECH PATHOLOGIST by REINSTATEMENT

1. Almond, Kimberly Burkard - 2206
2. Boutwell, Delia Catherine - 2570
3. Campbell, Judith – 541
4. Hobbs, Deanna Kaye - 1213
5. Martin, Dawn Dixon – 2420
6. Lairamore, Linda Jennings – 1937
7. Layton, Meredith Robertson – 1596
8. Martin, Dawn D. – 2420
9. McNabb, Kathy O. - 414
10. Shaw, Tiffany Lynn – 3143

Correspondence

Ms. Ferrell reviewed a letter from Ms. Jennifer Overstreet requesting an extra extension of her Clinical Fellowship Registration. Ms. Ferrell explained that Ms. Overstreet had already

had her Clinical Fellowship Registration for two (2) years and three (3) months. Our rules do not allow her to have another extension. The Board said she could apply for a Speech Language Pathology Assistant, which would allow her to continue to work until she becomes ASHA Certified. At that time she could apply for full licensure as a Speech Pathologist.

Ms. Ferrell reviewed a request from Ms. Mary Robbins requesting to be registered as a Clinical Fellow for four (4) years. She is a doctoral student and is only allowed to work five (5) hours a week. She enclosed a copy of the Modification that ASHA has for Doctoral Students allowing them to have four (4) years to complete their clinical fellowship.

The Board requested Ms. Ferrell to have Mr. Kosten look at ASHA's modification and have our rules changed to comply with theirs. They requested this be sunshined for the February 27, 2007 Board meeting. As for Ms. Robbins, she could apply for a one (1) year clinical fellowship, then reapply for another one year fellowship and finally apply for a three (3) month extension. This would allow her to work as a clinical fellow for two (2) years and three (3) months. Hopefully, our rules allowing doctoral students to work for four (4) years as a clinical fellow will be in effect by that time.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Dr. Burkey made a motion to adjourn. Dr. Dickinson seconded the motion. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Dr. Melinda Richards, Board Chair

Date