

**VIRGINIA BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY  
MINUTES  
FORMAL HEARING  
MARCH 13, 2014**

- CALL TO ORDER:** A quorum of the Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology (Board) was called to order at 1:04 p.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Board Room 3, Henrico, Virginia.
- PRESIDING OFFICER:** A. Tucker Gleason, Ph.D., CCC-A
- MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lillian Beasley Beahm, Au.D., CCC-A  
George T. Hashisaki, M.D.  
Wanda L. Pritekel, MA, CCC-SLP  
Harold Sayles, Ph.D.  
Ronald Spencer, R.N.  
Laura Purcell Verdun, MA, CCC-SLP
- STAFF PRESENT:** Leslie Knachel, Executive Director  
Charis Mitchell, Esq., Assistant Attorney General  
Carol Stamey, Operations Manager  
Tamara Farmer, Administrative Assistant  
Gayle Miller, Enforcement
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Wanda Strother  
Tristan Filkoski  
David Carwin  
Joshua Carwin  
Mary Ann Cronk
- MATTER SCHEDULED:** **Melissa T. Carwin, SLP**  
**License Number 2202002620**  
**Case Number 153665**
- DISCUSSION:** Ms. Carwin appeared before the Board in accordance with a Notice of Formal Hearing and Statement of Particulars dated February 25, 2014. Ms. Carwin was not represented by counsel. Mykl Egan, Adjudication Specialist, represented the Commonwealth. Charis Mitchell was legal counsel for the Board. The proceedings were recorded by a certified court reporter, Andrea Pegram, Court Reporting, LLC.
- CLOSED SESSION:** Ms. Verdun moved that the Board recess Open Session and convene in Closed Session pursuant to §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of **Ms. Carwin, SLP**. Additionally, it was

moved that Charis Mitchell, Leslie Knachel, Carol Stamey and Tamara Farmer attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried.

**OPEN SESSION:**

Ms. Verdun moved that the Board certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried.

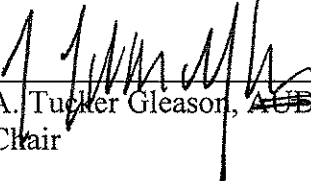
Ms. Verdun moved that the Board adopt the findings of fact and conclusions of law presented by Mr. Egan, amended by the Board and read by Ms. Mitchell. The motion was seconded and carried.


**DECISION:**

Ms. Verdun moved that the Board reinstate the license of Melissa T. Carwin, SLP. The motion was seconded and carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The formal hearing adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

  
A. Tucker Gleason, ~~ADD~~ PHD  
Chair

  
Leslie L. Knachel, MPH  
Executive Director