

# **APPROVED**

## **BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY THURSDAY, August 14, 2003 MEETING MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Michael Ridenhour, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Board of Audiology and Speech Pathology to order at 10:07 a.m. on Thursday, August 14, 2003 in Board Room #2, at 6603 West Broad Street, 5th Floor, Richmond, Virginia.

### **Present:**

Michael Ridenhour, Au.D.  
Charles M. Johnson, III, MD  
Angela Moss, SLP  
Katrina Eid, Ph.D., SLP

### **Absent:**

Susan Chadwick, Audiologist  
Holly Meadow, Citizen Member  
Robin R. Holly Duke, Citizen Member

### **Staff Present:**

Elizabeth Young, Executive Director, Board  
Robert Nebiker, Director, Department of Health Professions  
Gail Jaspén, Chief Deputy Director, Department of Health Professions  
Roscoe Roberts, Assistant Attorney General  
Charles Giles, Budget Analyst  
Aesha D. Hopson, Administrative Assistant

### **Guests Present:**

Bet Neil, Lobbyist, SHAV

#### **A. Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved.

#### **B. Public Comment**

Bet Neil, Lobbyist for the Speech Language Hearing Association of Virginia discussed HB 2032 of the 2003 Virginia General Assembly regarding mandate coverage of hearing aids for children. HB 2032 was referred to the Joint Commission on Health Care. Ms. Neil asked the Board to attend the next meeting on September 15, 2003 to provide technical responses to Commission member questions. It was decided that Dr. Ridenhour and Ms. Young would attend on behalf of the Board. The Board took no position on the bill.

### **C. Approval of Minutes**

With a properly seconded motion by Mrs. Moss, the Board approved the minutes of May 15, 2003.

### **D. New Business**

#### **Fee Increase Proposal**

Mr. Charles Giles, Budget Manager, presented the Fee Increase Proposal to the Board. With a properly seconded motion by Ms. Moss, the Board voted to approve Option III. of the fee projections.

Also, with a properly seconded motion by Dr. Johnson, the Board amended the proposed regulations of 18 VAC 30-20-300 to have a minimum of 8 hours for Type 1 units for the continuing competency requirements.

With a properly seconded motion by Dr. Johnson, the Board adopted the proposed fee increase regulations.

### **Confidential Consent Agreements**

Ms. Jaspen, Chief Deputy Director, provided a general report on HB 1441 and confidential consent agreements. With a properly seconded motion by Ms. Moss, the Board agreed that a Special Conference Committee will draft a guidance document on confidential consent agreements and submit it for approval to the Board at its November meeting.

### **Request for Interpretation**

The Board reviewed a request for interpretation from Edith Casey: "What Constitutes a Speech/Language Therapy Session?" With a advice from counsel, the Board stated that it does not address questions of billing and reimbursement for its licensees.

### **Board of Hearing Aid Specialist**

The Board reviewed the minutes of April 28, 2003 of the Board of Hearing Aid Specialists Board held on Monday, April 28, 2003, at the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulations. The Board asked staff to mail each a copy of the final regulations.

### **NCSB News**

The Board reviewed information from the National Council of State Boards of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology. The Board voted not to attend the Conference this year due to its deficit.

### **Professional News**

The Board reviewed general information from ASHA.

### **Proposed DHP Legislation**

Mr. Nebiker, Director of DHP provided a brief summary of the two legislative proposal for the Department.

### **E. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Legislative/Regulatory Committee**

Ms. Young stated that the final regulation are pending in the Governor's office.

#### **Continuing Competency Committee**

Dr. Johnson provided the recommendations of the Continuing Competency Committee: 3% of licensees to be audited at the time of renewal, and approval of the current assessment form. With a properly seconded motion by Dr. Eid, the board voted to approve the recommendations of the Committee.

#### **Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Young presented licensee statistics, information on the budget, case statistics, and the Calendar for next year.

Ms. Young also presented to the Board a blank newsletter for the Board members to edit as they like. She also spoke on My License.

### **Adjournment**

With a properly seconded motion by Ms. Moss, the Board adjourned the meeting at 12:24 p.m.

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Michael Ridenhour, Chair

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Elizabeth Young, Executive Director

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