

APPROVED

AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2005 LEGISLATIVE/REGULATORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Dr. Susan Chadwick, Chair, called the quarterly meeting of the Board of Audiology and Speech Pathology to order at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, June 6, 2005, in Board Room #1, at 6603 West Broad Street, 5th Floor, Richmond, Virginia.

Present:

Susan Chadwick, Au.D.
Michael Ridenhour, Au.D.
Angela W. Moss, M.A., CCC-SLP
Alfred J. Wolfe, Citizen Member

Members Absent:

Andrew Mark Klein, M.D.

Staff Present:

Elizabeth Young, Executive Director
Jack Edward Kotvas, Assistant Attorney General
Annie B. Artis, Operations Manager

Guests Present:

Bonney Atwood, David Bailey and Associates, Inc.
Brenda Ryals, James Madison University
Claire Jacobson, James Madison University
Lori Boeding, Cavalier Reporting

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Acceptance of Minutes

The Committee reviewed the Board's the minutes of its May 19, 2005 meeting.

Statutes of other States

Ms. Yeatts stated that all states require a Masters degree, a practicum, passage of the national exam, post clinical practice of nine months and a postgraduate fellowship. She further stated that other states refer to provisional licenses as interim, temporary, and/or limited licenses. Ms. Young stated that major issue was whether or not the board wished to issue a provisional license to those persons who had not completed the Doctorate of Audiology degree and who had not completed their practicum. Ms. Chadwick stated that students learn more when they are working than they learn while in school. Ms. Young stated that a provisional license would allow students to practice audiology and operate as an audiologist; however, the Board would still have some oversight of their license. There was discussion as to whether the persons who were issued provisional licenses would have direct supervision. Dr. Ryals recommended that these persons would need supervision; however, not direct line of sight, but the supervisor would be available on site if needed. There are 48 programs across the country that requires practicum hours. Ms. Yeatts stated that the Board needs to develop the criteria for provisional license in audiology.

Legislative Proposal

Dr. Ridenhour made a motion to approve the proposal drafting of a legislative proposal for the 2006 General Assembly granting a provisional license to audiology applicants in the state of Virginia. The motion was properly seconded by Ms. Moss. The vote carried unanimously. Dr. Ridenhour made a motion to amend the previous motion to incorporate that the Board has the true authority to amend the previous motion. The motion was properly seconded by Ms. Moss. The vote carried unanimously.

Dr. Ridenhour made a motion to recommend that the full Board adopt a Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) to address the problem of applicants being out of

practice for four years or more. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Chadwick. The vote carried unanimously. Ms. Moss made a motion to amend the previous motion to recommend that the Board adopt a NOIRA to address the problem of applicants being out of practice for four years or more and to also discuss the issue of licensure by endorsement. The motion was properly seconded by Mr. Wolfe. The vote carried unanimously.

Meeting Schedule

A public hearing on the Board's 2006 Legislative Proposal is scheduled for July 13, 2005 at 1:00 p.m., and the board meeting will be held immediately following the hearing. The August 18, 2005 board meeting was cancelled.

Adjournment

With no further business, Dr. Chadwick adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Susan Chadwick, Au.D., Chair

Elizabeth Young, Executive Director

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