

# **UNAPPROVED**

## **BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 2005 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Dr. Michael Ridenhour, Chair, called the quarterly meeting of the Board of Audiology and Speech Pathology to order at 1:10 p.m., on Wednesday, July 13, 2005, in Board Room #3, at 6603 West Broad Street, 5th Floor, Richmond, Virginia.

### **Present:**

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

### **Members Absent:**

Robin R. Holley Duke, Citizen Member  
Susan Chadwick, Au.D.  
Andrew M. Klein, M.D.

### **Staff Present:**

Elizabeth Young, Executive Director  
Elaine Yeatts, Senior Policy Analyst  
Annie B. Artis, Operations Manager

### **Guests Present:**

Bonnie Atwood, David Bailey and Associates, Inc.

### **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Ms. Moss to accept the agenda with amendments. The motion was properly seconded by Mr. Wolfe. The vote carried unanimously.

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**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**Acceptance of Minutes**

Ms. Moss made a motion to accept the minutes with the amendments. The motion was properly seconded by Mr. Wolfe. The vote carried unanimously.

**New Business**

**Introduction of New Board Member**

Ms. Jones-McNamara introduced herself to the Board and briefly shared her background. The Board and staff introduced themselves to Ms. Jones-McNamara.

**Board of Hearing Aid Specialist**

Ms. Young stated that the May minutes of the Board of Hearing Aid Specialists were not available on the website. The Board asked Ms. Young to attend the next meeting of Hearing Aid Specialists, scheduled for July 18, 2005.

**Professional News**

**American Academy of Audiology (AAA)**

Ms. Young provided the Board with a copy of the letter dated June 6, 2005 from Richard E. Gans, Ph.D., President of the American Academy of Audiology, which was written to Newsweek in New York. Dr. Gans commended Newsweek on its cover story, "How to Keep Your Hearing".

**American Speech-Language Hearing Association (ASHA)**

Ms. Jones-McNamara stated that ASHA was moving their headquarters to another location in Maryland. She stated ASHA is currently working on caseload reduction and the organization is in good shape financially.

**National Council of State Boards of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology**

Ms. Jones-McNamara made a motion to send Dr. Ridenhour to the upcoming conference of the National Council. The motion was properly seconded by Ms. Moss. The vote carried unanimously. Ms. Moss amended the motion to send Dr. Ridenhour and Ms. Jones-McNamara to the National Council of State Boards of Examiners in the event that there were funds available. The motion was properly seconded by Mr. Wolfe. The vote carried unanimously.

**2006 Draft Legislation**

Ms. Yeatts gave an overview of the 2006 draft legislation.

**§54.1-2604 Qualification for licensure as an audiologist or speech-language pathologist.**

Ms. Yeatts recommended the following:

- A. Change the word “shall” to “may.**
- B. To be licensed as an audiologist, an applicant shall meet the requirements of subsection A and also provide evidence of successful completion of a supervised clinical experience that meets the criteria established by the Board in its regulations. The clinical experience must be completed after a master’s degree in audiology or after the required coursework and supervised clinical practicum as a part of a doctoral program within an educational institution approved by the Board.**
- C. The Board may issue a provisional license to an applicant for licensure in audiology who has met all requirements other than the clinical experience specified in subsection B for the purpose of obtaining such experience. A person practicing with a provisional license shall practice only under supervision in accordance with regulations established by the Board.**

Ms. Moss made a motion to accept the draft legislation as proposed with amendments. The motion was properly seconded by Ms. Jones-McNamara. The vote carried unanimously.

**Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Young has docketed two disciplinary cases against licensees who failed to respond to the continuing education audit. She stated that over the next couple of months, there will be approximately fifteen additional disciplinary cases. Ms. Young stated that two licensees chose to renew their licenses under inactive status and four licensees audited had expired licenses. Ms. Young stated that information was being re-mailed because the addresses were incorrect because licensees had not updated their address information.

Ms. Young explained the process of offering a Confidential Consent Agreement (CCA).

**Calendar**

Ms. Young reminded the board that the August board meeting had been cancelled.

**Budget**

Ms. Young stated that there was a cash balance in the budget.

**Committees**

Ms. Young presented the board members with a committee list for 2005-2006. She made a change to the Regulatory/Legislative Committee and Ms. Jones-McNamara will be chair.

Ms. Young introduced Ms. Gail Jaspen, Deputy-Executive Director.

**Adjournment**

With no further business, Ms. Moss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was properly seconded by Ms. Jones-McNamara. The vote carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

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Michael Ridenhour, Au.D., Chair

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Elizabeth Young, Executive Director

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