

BOARD OF HEARING AID DEALERS AND FITTERS

Minutes of August 15, 2000 Board Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gilbert Poliquin established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Members Present: Sallie Chisholm; George M. Davis, Jr., Public Member; Linda Snow, Complaint Officer; Robert Bruder, Public Member Gilbert Poliquin, Chairperson; Wanda Creed

Members Absent: Dawn Dufkin Britt

Others Present: Jackie Thibodeau, Board Clerk

APPROVAL OF JUNE 20, 2000 MINUTES

George Davis moved to approve June 20, 2000 minutes. Seconded by Sallie Chisholm
Vote: Favor-6 Opposed-0.

APPLICATION REVIEW

Robert Bruder moved to approve a business application for John Knowles and a trainee permit for Kellie Koker. Seconded by Sallie Chisholm
Vote: Favor-6 Opposed-0.

REQUESTS FOR CEU COURSE APPROVAL

The Board approved 10.5 hours for Robin Galleher and 5 hours for Kathryn Girardin. The Board denied ceus submitted by Kathryn Girardin for the course The Impact of Hearing Loss on Development and Function sponsored by ADOP because it lacks direct relevancy to the fitting of a hearing instrument.

PROGRESS ON SEMINAR SPEAKERS

Gil verbally presented the outline for the seminar in November. He is still working on confirming the afternoon sessions. He will be providing a written outline as soon as everything is confirmed. Gil will adapt last year's seminar notice and registration form and present it the board at the September meeting.

BUSINESS LICENSES MAILING RESULTS-

Six businesses have still not responded after two mailings. The board reviewed the remaining six and determined that follow up by phone with one business would complete this task.

REVIEW ORAL EXAM

The Board briefly reviewed the oral exam and decided it was sufficient. There were minor revisions that will be completed. The Board has asked the public members to role-play during the exam so that the other board members can observe the interaction of the potential licensee. The Board will also provide a script with specific questions that will be asked of the potential licensees. This will test the potential licensee's knowledge of the rules and statutes.

MISCELLANEOUS

Gil mentioned that he attended the board conference in September and did attain some tips on how to run a smooth meeting. He is willing to make changes and has asked that this be added to the agenda for next month.

Gil received a list of 12 questions from a licensee and reviewed them with the Board. In researching these questions, which was mostly asking for interpretation of the rules and statutes, he has found some inconsistencies. The Board will need some guidance on how to handle any complaints that may be received because of these inconsistencies. Gil has also asked that this be added to the agenda for next month.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:15a.m.
The next scheduled meeting is September 19, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Thibodeau
Board Clerk