

BOARD OF HEARING AID DEALERS AND FITTERS

Minutes of September 18, 2007 Board Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

Gilbert Poliquin, Chair, established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

Members Present: Gilbert Poliquin, Robert Bruder, Sallie Chisholm, and Dawn Dufkin-Britt.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Amy Mills, AAG; Penny Vaillancourt, Board Administrator; Kevin Cookson, OLR Investigator and Jennifer Mooney, Board Clerk.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Robert Bruder made a motion to accept the minutes of March 20, 2007. Sallie Chisholm seconded the motion.

Vote: 4 in favor

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. COMPLAINT RE-PRESENTATIONS

2006-HAD-2988

At an earlier meeting the board had tabled this complaint pending further investigation and additional information.

After review and discussion of the materials presented, a motion was made by Sallie Chisholm, and seconded by Robert Bruder to dismiss this complaint.

Vote: 4 in favor

B. COMPLAINT PRESENTATION

2007-HAD-3381

A complaint was filed against a business license for failure to renew their business license and as a result was practicing without a license.

After a full review and discussion a motion was made by Robert Bruder, and seconded by Sallie Chisholm to offer the licensee a consent agreement to include the following: admission to violating the board's rules and the licensee must pay a fine of \$975.00.

Vote: 4 in favor

2007-HAD-3577

A complaint was filed against a licensee for providing the consumer with misleading information regarding the quote they had received for the hearing aid. In addition, the consumer alleged that the licensee did not perform the required hearing tests.

After a full review and discussion a motion was made by Sallie Chisholm, and seconded by Dawn Dufkin-Britt to dismiss this complaint.

Vote: 4 in favor

C. COMPLAINT ITEM

2006-HAD-2907

The board reviewed a revised purchase and sales agreement as submitted by the licensee.

After a full review and discussion a motion was made by Sallie Chisholm, seconded by Robert Bruder to not accept the revised purchase and sales agreement as submitted. Specifically, the purchase and sales agreement must contain actively licensed hearing aid dealer/fitters and the website is incorrectly printed. Upon submission of the revised agreement the complaint committee will review it.

Vote: 4 in favor

D. REVIEW OF 2007 CEU AUDITS

The board reviewed continuing education documents as a result of an audit that was performed.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Penny Vaillancourt provided the board with a financial report and the current number of licensees as well as an update regarding the proposed merger of the two boards.

V. ADJOURN:

Motion was made by Robert Bruder seconded by Sallie Chisholm to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Vote: 4 in favor

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2007. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Mooney, Board Clerk