

BOARD OF EXAMINERS ON

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

Minutes of August 20, 2001 Board Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Cheryl Walters established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:25 p.m.

Members Present: Cheryl Walters, Chairperson; Nancy Steeves Kathryn Girardin and Judith Flaker.

Members Absent: Richard Sawyer

Others Present: Elaine Thibodeau, Administrator and Jackie Thibodeau, Board Clerk.

BUSINESS

Action on July 16, 2001 minutes.

Nancy Steeves moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Judith Flaker. *Vote: Favor-4 and Opposed-0.*

Action taken on license applications

Nancy Steeves moved to act on the following applications as reviewed and recommended by the Board. Seconded by: Kathryn Girardin. *Vote: Favor-4 and Opposed-0.*

Audiologist Temporary Applicants:

Amanda Sandera Incomplete

SLP Temporary Applicants:

Catherine Ballif Approved

Rebecca Kendall Pended

Laureen Libby Approved

Mary-Anne Naples Approved

SLP Permanent Applicants

Mary Mekos Callow Pended

Deborah Kallen Pended

Allison Loyd Approved

Donna Mackenzie Approved

John Pettit Approved

Betty Schopmeyer Approved

Beverly St. Onge Approved

Kim Watson Incomplete

Audiologist Permanent Applicants

None

Speech-Language Pathology Aide registration applicants:

Claudia Sienko Pended

Speech-Language Pathology Assistant applicants:

Christopher Brown Pended

Abby Carter Denied

Jennifer Currier Denied

Kelli Howard Approved

Action taken on CPE approved activity number applications

Kathryn Girardn moved to act on the 80 CPE applications as reviewed and recommended by the Board as follows: 78 approved, 0 pended and 2 denied. Seconded by: Nancy Steeves. *Vote: Favor-4 and Opposed-0.*

Correspondence

The Board considered a request from a Susan Webbert inquiring about doing her Clinical Fellowship before receiving her Master's Degree, because the Fellowship itself would be her Thesis/Research Project. It would be carried-out in a school system, which would not require licensure. She wants to know if this would meet the board's rules. The Board would like her to contact ASHA; if it meets their requirements, then the board would accept it.

Review Drafts-Audit letter and supervisory form for SLP assistants

Nancy Steeves moved to approve as amended the audit letter. Seconded by: Judith Flaker. *Vote: Favor-4 and Opposed-0.*

The supervisory form for SLP assistants was tabled until next month.

Review letter extending CPE reporting period

Nancy Steeves moved to disapprove the draft letter [responding to a request from Pam Rasmussen to permit credits earned in October of 1999 to be used for the current reporting-period, because according to Ms. Rasmussen, these credits had been vitiated by a mid-term rule change.](#) In fact, the current rules and the old rules define the reporting period as a two-year period with a deadline of October 31. [The predecessor to the last reporting period had been extended to include October, but this had been intended to be a one-time exception.](#) Seconded by: Kathryn Girardin. *Vote: Favor-4 and Opposed-0.*

Kathryn Girardin moved to allow review of hours that were acquired in October 1999 for consideration within this renewal period, [and to remind Ms. Rasmussen that the reporting period had been unaffected by the March, 2001 rule change.](#) The hours will need to be submitted so that a review can be done to determine that the hours had not been used to satisfy the previous reporting period. Seconded by: Judith Flaker. *Vote: Favor-4 and Opposed-0.*

[It was further decided that once finalized, the letter would be sent only to Ms. Rasmussen, as it responded to a misunderstanding on her part.](#)

Nancy Steeves moved to delegate review and approval of completed reporting forms for continuing professional activities to the board clerk. Seconded by: Judith Flaker. *Vote: Favor-4 and Opposed-0.*

Kathryn Girardin will fill in as complaint officer in Richard Sawyer's absence

CHAIRPERSON'S LOG

None

ADMINISTRATORS' COMMENTARY

Elaine reported to them that LD #1595 / "An Act to Increase the Number of Licensed Speech-Language Pathologists to Serve Maine Schools" had died, distributed some brochures from FAME on the adaptive equipment loan program, and updated them on their budget.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2001 at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Thibodeau

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Board Clerk