

BOARD OF EXAMINERS ON

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

Minutes of February 11, 2002 Board Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Cheryl Walters established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Members Present: Cheryl Walters, Chairperson, Norleen Fleming, Ruth Dodge, Judy Flaker and Nancy Steeves

Members Absent: Richard Sawyer, Kathryn Girardin

Others Present: Carolyn Silsby, AAG; Elaine Thibodeau, Administrator; and Doris Breton, Board Clerk

BUSINESS:

A. Action to be taken on License Applications:

B. Action taken on CPE approved activity number applications:

Motion was made by Norleen Fleming to approve applications as reviewed. 2nd by Judy Flaker. Vote-5 in favor

C. Action to be taken on CPE reporting forms:

Motion was made by Nancy Steeves to approve reporting forms as reviewed. 2nd by Norleen Fleming. Vote-5 in favor

D. Action taken on CPE Audit Requests: n/a

E. Action taken of CPE Extension Requests: n/a

F. Maine Academy of Audiology presentation

The board heard a presentation by Cindy Hyman, past President of the Maine Audiology Association, on the association's behalf, advocating the board's blanket acceptance of courses approved by ASHA or AAA and the use of numbers assigned by those two associations as its own numbers. She emphasized that the board creates work for itself by using the current system. Most board members seemed receptive to her input, but the concern remains that not all such courses are necessarily "clinically and professionally relevant." This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

G. Action on January minutes.

Norleen Fleming moved to approve the minutes. 2nd by Ruth Dodge. Vote: In Favor -5 and Opposed-0.

H. Correspondence:

Cheryl will respond to any correspondence pending.

I. Miscellaneous:

It was suggested that BESPAs-approved courses be listed on our website. The list is currently 187 pages long, so the only practical way to accomplish this would be via a link. However, the data is in the Access relational Database, which most licensees might not have. (The cost of the Microsoft Windows XP Program's Professional Version is considerable more expensive than the Home Version, which does not include Access and Power Point.) Elaine will be asking Dianne Sawyer if there is some practical way to provide this information.

The board is conditionally approving applications, pending receipt of missing items, and Doris is finalizing them, upon completion of the file.

Discussion of application review before scheduled meeting/or when Board does not meet was tabled until the March 18 meeting.

CHAIRPERSON'S LOG:

Empty.

ADMINISTRATORS' COMMENTARY: There was no Administrators Commentary as Elaine was engaged in another project. However, after the meeting she did speak with new members Ruth Dodge and Norleen Fleming about the role of a board member.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 18, 2002 at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris L. Breton

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Board Clerk