

BOARD OF EXAMINERS ON SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

Minutes of the October 18, 2004 Board Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Cheryl Walters established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:22 p.m.

Members Present: Cheryl Walters, Chairperson; Nancy Steeves, Judith Flaker, Norleen Fleming (left at 2:30 p.m.), and Ruth Dodge

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Jessica Doody, Board Clerk; Kevin Cookson, OLR Staff Investigator, Penny Vaillancourt, Board Administrator; and Carolyn Silsby, Assistant Attorney General

II. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Action on August 16, 2004 minutes.

Motion to approve August 16, 2004 minutes as written was made by Cheryl Walters. The motion was seconded by Judith Flaker.

Vote: 4- in favor

III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Initial Complaint Presentation

SP-022 – 1:30 p.m.

The licensee was alleged to have displayed unprofessional conduct while working at a children's center.

Cheryl Walters made a motion to offer a consent agreement to include the following terms and conditions:

1. Admission of violation of Chapter 6, Principle of Ethics IV, and subsection B of Rule of Ethics;
2. Probation of 6 months to include counseling to be provided by a licensed mental health professional that specializes in professional ethics. The counseling will occur for 1 hour sessions, 2 times per month. The counselor will submit monthly reports to the board.

The motion was seconded by Nancy Steeves.

Vote: 3 – In favor 1 – Recused (Ruth Dodge)

B. Complaint Officer's Report

C. Action to be taken on License Applications: No applications to review this month.

D. Action taken on BESPAs activity number applications: The following CEUs were acted upon:

CEU Pre-Approval Requests

13 – approved

1 – denied

Motion to accept applications for pre-approval of continuing education as indicated above was made by Ruth Dodge. Motion was seconded by Judith Flaker.

Vote: 4 – In favor

E. Review of CEU Consent Agreements

Consent Agreements were executed by Cheryl Walters.

F. Correspondence

Audiology Online

G. Miscellaneous

IV. Other Business

Administrator's Report:

Penny Vaillancourt provided the board with a list of currently registered Aides. She reminded the board that the Aides will no longer be registered effective January 1, 2005. Ms. Vaillancourt will draft a notification for the Aides and the supervising SLP's which the board will review.

The board members also discussed a possible audit of supervision. They will audit 10% of registered assistants after January 1, 2005.

Penny Vaillancourt also told the board about the link on the OLR website for the new publication for board members called the OLR Observer.

ADJOURN

Nancy Steeves made a motion to adjourn at 3:43 p.m., seconded by Ruth Dodge. The next meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2004 at 1:00 p.m.

Vote: 4- in favor

All regular meetings are open to members of the public for observation, but not for participation. Public hearings for rule making are open for public comment. If you cannot attend this meeting, please contact Jessica Doody at 624-8674.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica S. Doody, Board Clerk