

BOARD OF EXAMINERS ON SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

Minutes of the January 24, 2005 Board Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

Nancy Steeves established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Members Present: Nancy Steeves, Norleen Fleming, Ruth Dodge, and Judith Flaker.

Members Absent: Cheryl Walters, Chairperson.

Others Present: Colleen Eugley, Board Clerk; Penny Vaillancourt, Board Administrator; and Carolyn Silsby, Assistant Attorney General.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Action on November 15, 2004 minutes.

Motion to approve November 15, 2004 minutes as written was made by Nancy Steeves. The motion was seconded by Norleen Fleming.

Vote: 3 in favor

III. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Complaint Items

SP – 022 Consent Agreement

Report by Kate Silsby, AAG.

Kate has had conversations with Richard Nero's attorney (Mr. Shankman). Kate Silsby provided his attorney with pictures and complaint information. Kevin Cookson to provide pictures of the room. Kate wants to set it for a complaint hearing – possibly for the April 11 board meeting date – and see what happens, if anything, in the interim.

Kate Silsby will send out notice of hearing.

Another pending complaint:

Response from licensee's attorney – Ruth Dodge and Kate Silsby to meet and evaluate it for future board discussion

B. License Application Review

SLP Assistant

Lynn Truman - Approved

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

CEU Pre-Approval Requests

7 – approved
1 – denied (lack of information)

D. Correspondence

No correspondence this month.

E. Miscellaneous

The Board discussed proposed rulemaking changes.

Nancy Steeves informed the Board she cannot attend the February meeting.

IV. Other Business

Administrator's Report:

In this legislative session, a bill has been submitted by Rep. Sherman to extend the speech aide status in the board's statute. The department will track the legislation and the board will be kept informed once the bill is available. The department may request assistance from the board in developing testimony for the public hearing before the BRED committee. The issue identified is the difficulty in obtaining adult practicum hours to meet the SLP Assistant.

An explanation to the proposed rulemaking memo was given. The memo serves as an outline to the topics discussed and mentioned by board members to date. The board will review and discuss the items and amend/delete as necessary as part of the preliminary review that will then be forwarded to Anne Head and department staff for consideration.

Anne Head has been appointed Acting Commissioner. The department anticipates an announcement of a Commissioner nominee in the near future.

ADJOURN

Judy Flaker made a motion to adjourn at 3:17 p.m. The motion was seconded by Nancy Steeves.

Vote: 4 in favor

The next meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2005, at 1:00 p.m.

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 Colleen Eugley at 624-8626.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Eugley, Board Clerk