

**BOARD OF EXAMINERS ON**  
**SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY**  
*Minutes of the October 22, 2007 Board Meeting*

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Cheryl Walters established that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 1:13 p.m.

**Members Present:** Cheryl Walters, Judith Flaker, Norleen Fleming, Nancy Steeves.

**Members Absent:** Ruth Dodge

**Others Present:** Carrie Carney, Assistant Attorney General, Penny Vaillancourt, Board Administrator, Merica Tripp, P&RA and Jennifer Mooney, Board Clerk.

**II. OLD BUSINESS:**

**A. Action on September 17, 2007 minutes.**

A motion to approve the September 17, 2007 minutes was made by Cheryl Walters. The motion was seconded by Norleen Fleming.

**Vote: 3 in favor (1 recusal – Nancy Steeves)**

**III. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. Complaint Presentations**

**2006-SPE-2764**

The licensee submitted continuing education hours as outlined in a consent agreement signed between the parties in 2006. However, not all of the hours submitted met the board's continuing education requirements.

After a review and discussion of the issues involved, a motion was made by Norleen Fleming and seconded by Judith Flaker to offer the licensee an amended consent agreement to include reporting the completion of 2.5 professional or clinical hours. The motion also included that if the consent agreement was not signed, then the matter would be scheduled for an adjudicatory hearing.

**Vote: 3 in favor (one recusal – Nancy Steeves)**

2007-SPE-3374

A complaint was filed against a licensee for failing to meet the continuing education requirements as a result of the board's continuing education audit. Specifically, after a review of the hours submitted, the board determined that an additional five (5) hours of either clinically or professionally relevant were required.

After a full review and discussion, a motion was made by Cheryl Walters and seconded by Norleen Fleming to offer the licensee a consent agreement with the following terms: admission to failing to meet the continuing education requirements, receive a formal warning, and complete five (5) hours of clinically or professionally relevant continuing education activities within 90 days of signing the consent agreement.

**Vote: 4 in favor**

2007-SPE-3375

A complaint was filed against a licensee for failing to meet the continuing education requirements as a result of the board's continuing education audit. Specifically, after a review of the hours submitted, the board determined that an additional four (4) hours of either clinically or professionally relevant were required.

After a full review and discussion, a motion was made by Judith Flaker and seconded by Cheryl Walters to offer the licensee a consent agreement with the following terms: admission to failing to meet the continuing education requirements and failing to respond to the board's request for more information, receive a formal warning, a \$100.00 fine, and submit substantiated proof of completing the additional four (4) hours of clinically or professionally relevant continuing education activities.

**Vote: 4 in favor**

**B. CEU Extension Request**

**Patricia Taylor**

The board reviewed correspondence from Patricia Taylor. Ms. Taylor was requesting the board to give her a deferment to complete her continuing education requirements for the licensure cycle of March 1, 2006 through February 29, 2008 due to an undue hardship.

After a full review and discussion, a motion was made by Nancy Steeves and seconded by Judith Flaker to grant Ms. Taylor a deferment of completing her continuing education hours until her renewal of 2/28/2010. Correspondence notifying Ms. Taylor of the board's decision will be sent by board staff.

**Vote: 4 in favor**

**C. Change in Clinical Fellowship Plan**

**Bethany Chernosky**

The board reviewed a revised CFY plan submitted by Ms. Chernosky. Specifically, Ms. Chernosky was reporting a change in supervisor.

After a full review and discussion, a motion was made by Norleen Fleming and seconded by Cheryl Walters to approve the change in supervision and send the licensee correspondence reminding them of the necessity to submit the CFY completion reports for both supervisors.

**Vote: 4 in favor**

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

Nancy Steeves made a motion to approve the board's decisions on the BESPA requests as submitted. Judith Flaker seconded the motion

**Vote: 4 in favor**

**E. Other Business**

**Administrator's Report:**

Ms. Vaillancourt provided a financial and licensee update to the board. In addition, Ms. Vaillancourt introduced Merica Tripp, Planning and Research Associate I, to the board.

**ADJOURN**

Norleen Fleming made a motion to adjourn at 3:10 p.m. The motion was seconded by Nancy Steeves.

**Vote: 4 in favor**

The next meeting will be announced.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Mooney, Board Clerk