

North Dakota
State Board of Examiners
on
Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology

Meeting Minutes

The North Dakota State Board of Examiners on Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology regular board meeting Friday January 27th 2023.

Date: January 27th 2023

Time: 12:30pm

Location: APT, Inc

2900 East Broadway Ave. Suite #2
Bismarck, ND 58501

I. Call to Order 12:33pm

Dr. Robyn Zeltinger-President Presiding
Ein Holt: Licensing Secretary
Amber Fox: Treasurer
Danielle Landreville
Courtney Olson
Dr. Marin Almer
Dr. Krystal Mann
Dr. Matthew Miller
Brian Barrett: APT
Dave Schaibley: AAG

II. Meeting Minute Review

A. October 28th Meeting Minute Review

Robyn Zeltinger: Motion to approve meeting minutes from Oct 28th 2022
Amber Fox: 2nd the motion

Vote: All Aye

IV. Financials

A. Treasure Report

- 1. Analysis of Revenue and Expense**
- 2. Balance Sheet**
- 3. Profit and Loss**

Robyn Zeltinger: Motion to approve Treasurer Report
Matthew Miller; 2nd the motion

Vote: All Aye

V. Applications-Licensure Secretary Report

A. Applications approved under Chair authority include:

Cristy Davis, SLP #2266
Trista Bjerck, SLP 2268
Janine Kreider, SLP 2270
Lynn Ables, SLP 2272
Sherne-Marie McMillan, SLP 2274
Brandall, Bond, SLP 2276
Kalissa Klimek, SLPLA 2278
Matthew Gould, Aud 2280
Gabrielle Tachenko, Aud 2282
Melissa Lewis, SLP 2284
Janine Stiene-Cine, SLP 2286
Paula Peterson, SLP 2288
Jennifer Lovejoy, SLP 2290
Sara Downs, Aud 2292
Jamie Monzingo, Aud 2294
Miranda Copa, SLP 2296
Brooke Lyons, SLP 2298
Sarah Hanson, SLP 2300
Jessie Shypkowski, SLP 2302
Jessica Brooks, SLP 2304

Amber Fox: Motion to ratify the applications that were approved under chair authority
Courtney Olson: 2nd the Motion
Vote: All Aye

B. Applicant Review

1. Anthony Patel

Board requested that AAG, Dave Shaibley, to provide guidance.

Robyn Zeltinger: motion to have Brian send an email advising that ND law requires a doctorate.
degree.

Erin Holt: 2nd the motion

Vote: All Aye

VI. Old Business

A. Discussion on changing the ND Administrative Rules 19:47

*The board decided to review the Administrative Rule process in next meeting.
Board discussed the possibility of creating a subcommittee that would review and work on Administrative Rules.*

Per Amber Fox: Board members should email Amber if they have anything specific for the Administrative Rules changes. Amber will continue adding to the spreadsheet, so it is ready for discussion.

B. Big Picture and additional documentation in Website

1. SLPLA supervisory changes.

*Amber requested that SLPLA's can update their supervisory information on the website.
Also, adding a radio button to track the CCC's*

Amber will set-up a meeting with Big Picture

2. Tracking CCC's

The board discussed tracking CCCs and sought the guidance of Dave Schaibley.

Board agreed to have a "yes" or "no" question regarding CCC's. This will also have a disclaimer advising the applicant that licensure will not be effected by their answer.

Amber will meet with Melissa regarding this task.

C. Follow up on Federal law and prescription hearing aids.

AAA sent out a letter indicating that this law should not be interpreted as restricting the audiologist from prescribing hearing aids.

The board decided to not take any further action on this issue.

D. Budget review - WSI premium

Brian is obtaining premium information. He has been in contact with Christy wanted board information for preliminary underwriting

VII. New Business

A. 2023 CE Requests

1. Bailey Fletcher CE request

a). Rhythm Works Integrative Dance Instructor Certification

The board discussed and requested additional information regarding the specifics on how this course.

Robyn Zeltinger: Motion to have Brian email Ms. Fletcher requesting information on how this targets speech and language skills specific to the scope of practice of a SLP (e.g., expressive language, improve competency of SLP or Audiology)

Amber Fox: 2nd the motion

Vote: All Aye

2. Natasha Howard CE Request

b). Lindamood Phonological Symbol imagery

This was the first request of 2023, thinking there should be a discussion on approving all CE's or move to an audit system? The Board will address this in the Administrative Rules subcommittee.

Amber Fox: Motion to approve this conference for 2023 and add to an ongoing list of approved courses for future years.

Erin Holt: 2nd the motion

Vote: All Aye

B. Tessa Nelson Ethical Question:

1. The Board reviewed the question and agreed that the Board regulates individual licensees only. However, Ms. Nelson could file a complaint with the Board if she so chooses.

Robyn Zeltinger: Motion to send an email referring Ms. Nelson to the grievance section of the rules and advise these are the appropriate steps for what she believes to be an ethical violation.

Amber Fox: 2nd the motion.

Vote: All Aye

C. Cindy Sponheim-Academic Requirements for SLPLA

1. The Board reviewed Ms. Sponheim's question. Dave Shaibley will draft a letter in response to this question for Brian to email.

D. Legislative Update-Bills

Dave's Legislative presentation

1154: This bill already passed the house: When the Board disciplines somebody, and they won't sign a settlement agreement, it needs to go to court.

1221: Dictates how President of a board (and physician) use their title. Basically indicates how certain titles need to use (and display) badges, etc.

1344: Involves rulemaking discussions, making the AG have another lens to look at rules, see what rules you are proposing, allows rules committee to strike your rules if the committee finds them unnecessary.

1372: This bill would mandate that a Board license an individual if they are a resident in ND and they have a license to practice in another state. The Board must give them a license to practice in ND (unless they would increase harm in ND).

2184: The Governor could replace board members at any time. Any Foreign practitioner (with a license), Board would need to give them a license (even if they don't come to ND) unless you can show risk of harm to the residents.

2187 & 2205: Compacts: counselor and psychologist compact.

2249: The labor commissioner would need to provide Board administration. This bill could be amended to require data from State Boards comparing when an application is received to when a license is issued. It would also require Boards to submit such information.

2337: This bill requires OMB to provide boards with administrative support. Received a "do not pass" recommendation.

2296: This bill would impact on all boards when they go in front of administrative law judges (when you need to discipline someone and can't get it settled, it goes in front of an Administrative Law Judge -ALJ,). Dave explained that today, the Board is allowed two different paths: first, the ALJ makes the decision, and this is final. Second: The ALJ can recommend findings and advised the Board what they think a good conclusion should be. This bill gets rid of the second option.

E. Outreach replacement for Erin and Amber: June 30th 2023

Courtney needs to re-apply for Board membership before June.

*The Board reviewed representation from different demographics in the state.
Explored the option of having an SLP from a school system.*

VIII. Adjourn.



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Dr. Marin Almer-Recording Secretary

Date

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