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 April 11th 2025.

I. Call to order

Dr. Robyn Zeltinger: Board President
Courtne Olson: Licensing Secretary
Dr. Marin Almer: Recording Secretary and CE Coordinator
Dr. Matt Miller
Dr. Krystal Mann: Audiology Licensing Secretary
Kayla Fisher
Matt Menge: AAG
Brian Barrett: APT, Inc.

II. Meeting Minute Review

- January 24th 2025 Regular Meeting
  - Courtney Olson made the motion to approve the 1/24/25 minutes.
  - Kayla Fisher: Seconded the motion.
  - Roll Call Vote: All Aye

- February 19th 2025 Special Meeting
  - Robyn Zeltinger made the motion to approve the 2/19/2025 meeting minutes
  - Marin Almer seconded the motion
  - Roll Call Vote: All Aye

III. Financials

- Analysis of Revenue and Expense
- Balance Sheet
- Profit and loss

- Brian reviewed the Financial Reports above with the Board.
- Krystal Mann made the motion to approve the Financial Report
- Courtney Olson seconded the motion
- Roll Call Vote: All Aye

IV. Applications approved under chair authority

- Leisa Harman, SLP 2806
- Carole Bingeman, SLP 2808
- Stacey Mecham, SLP 2810
- Erin Cremin, SLP 2812
- Kelly Banister, SLP 2814
- Susan Hochhalter, SLP 2816
- Kimberly Segrest, SLP 2818
- Katherine Selstedt, SLPLA 2820
- Kelsey Weyenber, SLPLA 2822
- Paola Rodriguez, SLP 2824

    - Courtney Olson made the motion to ratify the licenses approved under chair authority.
    - Robyn Zeltinger seconded the motion.
    - Roll call vote: All Aye

V. Re-Licensure and Reciprocity application review

- Jasmine Vinnard
    - The Board reviewed Ms. Vinnard's re-licensure application.
    - Courtney Olson made the motion to approve the relicensure application for Jasmine Vinnard using the CE units that she submitted for 2025 with the stipulation that, when she renews her license for 2026, she needs to provide an additional 10 CE hours.
    - Matt Miller seconded the motion
    - Roll Call Vote: All Aye

- Berlyn Salwey
    - The Board reviewed Ms. Salwey's re-licensure application and invited her to discuss the situation.
    - The Board discussed re-licensure, additional CE on ethics and bill, agreed that the application cannot be back-dated.
    - Courtney Olson made the motion to approve Ms. Salwey's re-licensure application with an additional 2 hours of CE's required for her 2026 renewal focused on ethics and billing ethics (or billing) and that a letter be sent indicating that the Board is requesting a response from Berlyn and her employer when they have notified insurance about billing without a license.
    - Robyn Zeltinger seconded the motion.

    - Attorney Matt Menge advised that, since the license is being issued upon the condition of 2 additional hours of continuing education, implementing a Conditional Licensure Agreement would be appropriate.
    - Courtney Olson amended her previous motion for the Board to issue Ms. Salwey a “conditional license” with the requirement that she complete 2 hours of CEs focusing on Billing and Ethics prior to her next renewal cycle and this is not a disciplinary action and will not be reported.
        - Robyn Zeltinger Seconded the motion.
        - Roll Call Vote: All Aye
    - Robyn Zeltinger made the motion to have Matt Menge send a letter to Ms. Salwey and her employer about notifying insurance companies and billing by Ms. Salwey.
        - Courtney Olson seconded the motion.
        - Roll Call Vote: All Aye

- Michell Mehlhoff
    - The Board reviewed Ms. Mehlhoff’s application.
    - Courtney Olson made the motion to approve Michell Mehlhoff’s re-licensure application.
    - Kayla Fisher seconded the motion
    - Roll Call Vote: All Aye

- Robert Cale
    - The Board discussed Mr. Cale’s application and agreed that they need official transcripts-both graduate and undergraduate-directly from the educational institute.

VI. Old Business

- KH-inaccurate billing allegation
    - The Board discussed this issue with Matt Menge. Matt advised that the Board may need to possibly issue a subpoena.
    - This topic will be discussed again in the next meeting.

VII. New Business

- Request to add a link to the Hearing Aid Specialist Board on the website
    - The Hearing Aid Specialist Board does not yet have a website.
    - Courtney Olson made the motion that, once the Hearing Aid Specialist Board’s website is developed, the Board will place a link on the NDSBE Aud & SLP website.
    - Krystal Mann seconded the motion.
    - Roll Call Vote: All Aye

- Budget for 2025-2026
  - The Board reviewed a “draft” of 25/26 Budget
  - Robyn Zeltinger made the motion to approve the proposed budget for 25/26.
  - Krystal Mann seconded the motion
  - Roll Call Vote: All Aye
- Question
  - Diagnosing ankyloglossia – Does this fall under the SLP umbrella for diagnosis?
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- Legislative
  - SB2203
    - Bill combining NDSBE Aud & SLP with the Hearing Aid Specialist Board.
    - Received a “Do Not Pass” recommendation
    - Failed 4-42
  - HB1049
    - Century Code change brought by NDSBE Aud & SLP
    - House eliminated subpoena language
    - Senate added Subpoena language
    - Passed full Senate 45-0
    - Waiting to see if House will concur with Amanedment
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  - HB1220
    - Bill creating accelerated degree for high-demand occupations
    - Passed in the House 73-15
    - Received a “Do Not Pass” recommendation from Senate
    - Bill needs to be voted on by full Senate
  - HB1270
    - Bill requires Board’s to submit a report to the Governor
    - Withdrawn
  - SB2395
    - Mandates Board’s issue of a license in 10 days
    - Mandates testing (if applicable) every 30 days
    - Passed and sent to the Governor for signature.
  - SB2308
    - Creates a “Board review Task Force”
    - Passed Senate

    - Bill was amended and passed in the House
    - Returned to Senate

- Audiology compact email from AJ
  https://aslpcompact.com/compact-map/

VIII. Adjourn.

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Dr. Marin Almer-Recording Secretary **Date**

Where noted, the discussion of some of the above topics may be held in executive session rather than during the portion of the meeting that is open to the public. If this is a regular meeting, additional topics may be discussed. If this is a special or emergency meeting, the governing body's discussion will be limited to the topics and executive sessions listed above. If so, include: (may require Executive Session per NDCC 44-04-19.1(2) due to possible need for attorney consultation)