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 July 8, 2026.

Date: July 8, 2026
Time: 12:00pm CST
Location: Virtual Only

I. Call to order

- Present
    - Courtney Olson- President Presiding
    - Kayla Fischer
    - Robyn Zeltinger
    - Daniele Landreville
    - Hannah Campbell
    - Marin Almer
    - Krystal Mann
    - Ashley Roll, AAG
    - Brian Barrett, Board Management

II. Meeting Minute Review

- April 17, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
- Krystal Mann made the motion to approve the 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 above documents with the Board

- Board Budget for 26’ – 27’
    - The Board reviewed and created the 26’-27’ budget
    - Robyn Zeltinger made the motion to approve the 26’-27’ budget
    - Hannah Campbell seconded the motion
    - Roll Call Vote: All Aye

IV. Applications approved under chair authority

- Courtney Olson made the motion to ratify the licenses approved by the licensing secretaries.
- Kayla Fischer seconded the motion.
- Roll Call Vote: All Aye

- **Audiologists**

Dart	Samantha	3066	AUD
King	Josee	3078	AUD
Wehe	Karlee	3084	AUD
Gay	Chelci	3086	AUD
Dingmann	Merran	3094	AUD
Kim	Binna	3160	AUD
Rauschendorfer	Brittney	3162	AUD
Sepulvado	Samantha	3178	AUD
Rose	Jackson	3180	AUD

- **Speech-Language Pathologist Licensed Assistants**

Erickson	Melissa	3050	SLPLA
Slaathaug	Caela	3056	SLPLA
Leeseberg	Darcie	3058	SLPLA
Christianson	Lisa	3076	SLPLA
Aberle	Danielle	3096	SLPLA
Bethke	Brooklyn	3138	SLPLA
Breyer	Kensi	3146	SLPLA
Gabriel	Claire	3148	SLPLA
Gendreau	Breck	3156	SLPLA
Hapka	Lydia	3158	SLPLA
Stepanek	Linda	3166	SLPLA
Lutze	Tiffany	3170	SLPLA

Vega	Michelle	3172	SLPLA
Hedlund	Hailey	3176	SLPLA
Reinke	Jennifer	3188	SLPLA
Grosgebauer	Kristin	3190	SLPLA
Fischer	Melinda	3192	SLPLA
Bodvig	Tiffany	3194	SLPLA
Hendrickson	Sarah	3196	SLPLA

- **Speech-Language Pathologists**

Terry	Lauren	3052	SLP
finken	mary	3054	SLP
Morris	Anna	3060	SLP
Theis	Callie	3062	SLP
Hodgdon	Aurora	3064	SLP
Pruskowski	Justine	3068	SLP
Ross	Leah	3070	SLP
campbell	sara	3072	SLP
Lamb	Adria	3074	SLP
Fleck	Cambelle	3080	SLP
Winkler	Kayla	3082	SLP
Sandry	Kaitlin	3088	SLP
Matthews	Mary	3090	SLP
Kramlich	Maleeka	3092	SLP
Spivey	Hailey	3098	SLP
Bennett	Ashlyn	3100	SLP
Nordloef	Sierra	3102	SLP
Scherr	Kaitlynn	3104	SLP
Candrian	Grace	3106	SLP
Fraunfelter	Madison	3108	SLP
Dawyduk	Gabrielle	3110	SLP
Juell	Sophia	3112	SLP
Bohmer	Anika	3114	SLP
Jessen	Iris	3116	SLP
Braaten	Deidre	3118	SLP
Carlson	Jessica	3120	SLP
Rudolph	Sara	3122	SLP
Van Dyke	Allison	3124	SLP
Iluk	Katrina	3126	SLP
Marschke	Abbie	3128	SLP
Zierden	Olivia	3130	SLP
Crawford	Danielle	3132	SLP
McLachlan	Riley	3134	SLP

Suckow	Catherine	3136	SLP
Bye	Laura	3140	SLP
Mattern	Julia	3142	SLP
Johnstone	Sydney	3144	SLP
Phillips	Abby	3150	SLP
Van Winkle	Lauren	3152	SLP
Hills	Katherine	3154	SLP
Munson	Jordan	3164	SLP
Sovey-Falat	Barbara	3168	SLP
Leal	Susannah	3174	SLP
Geffre	Ava	3182	SLP
Farder	Brenda	3184	SLP
Fortmann	Kasey	3186	SLP
Mehlhoff	Michelle	3198	SLP

VI. Application Review

- SLP Application Review
    - Daniella Rodriquez
        - The Board reviewed the application.
        - Determined that we do not have the transcripts from the university
        - The Board reviewed the transcripts that were presented. A course in Dysphagia was not listed.
        - The Board will request that the applicant present the course syllabi to see if the ENT course or syllabi indicated that she has experience in Dysphagia.
        - Once the necessary information is received, the Board's Licensing Secretary will decide if all requirements are met.

VI. Old Business

- Complaint
    - ED on Hinnenkamp
        - Review Hinnenkamp response
        - Decide how to proceed.
            - The Board reviewed the complaint and the response.
            - Courtney made the motion to dismiss the complaint based on insufficient grounds to warrant formal disciplinary action

and the Board will close the investigation and take no further action.
    - Krystal Mann seconded the motion
    - Roll Call Vote: All Aye
- ND Administrative Rules Update
    - New Rules went into effect on July 1st 2026
    - Question from KM
        - Will NDSBE provide supervision requirements (e.g., experience and qualifications) for SLPLAs?
        - The Board discussed and concluded that supervisors need to be actively practicing for 18 months post initial licensure.
        - Brian will contact KM and advise of the information above.
    - Public Input regarding SLPLA Application requirements, licensing
    - Michelle Woodcock requested clarification concerning the Century Code and licensure for an SLPLA.
    - It was advised that August 1st is not a deadline.
    - The Board also provided clarification regarding CE requests.

VII. New Business

- Statistics requested from Governor's office
    - Number of licenses granted in 2026
        - Robyn Zeltinger made the motion to have Brian generate a report and forward to Courtney for approval to forward to the Governor's office.
        - Hannah Campbell seconded the motion.
        - Roll Call Vote: All Aye
    - Number of licenses denied in 2026
        - Brian advised that there were not denied licensure applications.
        - Applications have been withdrawn and some applicants have failed to forward the information requested. AAG Ashley Roll agreed that these would not be considered "denials".
    - Number of licenses not issued in the 10-day timeline
        - There were no licenses issued outside the 10 day timeline.
    - Reason for delay when a license was issued after the ten-day timeline
        - There were no delays
- Interstate compact Review Requirement; Annual review
    - Must consider the following:
        - Be clearly reflected in the Board agenda and meeting minutes
        - Consider workforce shortages and evolving trends in occupational licensing and technology.
        - The Board reviewed the barriers listed below that would result from joining the Interstate Compact:

            - Currently, North Dakota is not eligible to join an Interstate Compact because to join, the law in ND needs to require a post-secondary

clinical experience under supervision. Hence, this would mandate applicants join an association (i.e., American Speech Hearing Association) which lengthens the time they can start practicing by over a year. It also adds an unnecessary cost to the applicant along with the state forcing an applicant to join an association.

- To be part of the ASLPC Compact, the Board will need to change the Century Code to require a provisional license in a clinical fellowship for the 1st year.
- The assistant attorney general advised that, back in 2022, a federal bill took effect which focuses on the portability of a professional license. This bill allows the portability of a professional license held by service members and their spouses. If a service member has a professional license from another state, they need to be granted licensure in ND upon submitting the proper documentation.
- Other challenges with joining the compact:
  - Precuring the necessary software
  - How the decision-making process is developed
    - Each state receives 2 delegates who are assigned to the "Compact Commission".
    - The Compact Commission acts in a "quasi legislative" capacity and sets rules and bylaws
    - If there is a conflict between the ND Century Code and the compact, the compact will prevail. The constitutionality of this is being litigated.
    - The interests and concerns in small states are potentially different than those of large states. For example, mandating the same data systems. This would be fiscally challenging for smaller states like North Dakota.

- The ND Century Code would need to be changed if the compact were to pass. Some changes would be as follows:
  - The authority for the board to have subpoena power
  - Criminal record checks on every applicant because this is mandated in the compact.
  - Interstate Compact would essentially replace the authority of the Board which would make licensing more difficult and far less time. Currently, in-state and out-of-state applicants are licensed in 1-2 days. This would likely change to 1 -2 months (or longer) if the Board joined the compact.

  - Courtney Olson made the motion for the Board to decline joining the Interstate Compact because of the reason's listed below and that it will prolong the licensure process.

  - Robyn Zeltinger seconded the motion

  - Roll Call Vote: All Aye

        - If the Board determines joining an interstate compact is not in the best interests of the profession, provide the Labor Commissioner with:
            - A copy of the Interstate Compact considered
            - The Board rationale for that determination

        - Courtney made the motion for Brian to prepare a report for her review prior to sending to the Governor's office.
        - Robyn Zeltinger seconded the motion.
        - Roll Call Vote: All Alye

- Continuing Education
    - Sign Language class through Sign Language 101
    - The Board reviewed and discussed the course.
    - Krystal Mann made the motion to approve the ASLP course as continuing education.
    - Hannah Campbell seconded the motion.
    - Roll Call Vote: All Aye
- Updating Website regarding understanding of the Board with Universities
    - Information for new graduates
    - Licensure vs Certification
        - This was tabled until next meeting.
- Discuss Task Force recommendation to combine with the Hearing Aid Specialist Board.
    - The Board discussed pros and cons regarding combining with the Hearing Aid Specialist Board.
    - Krystal will contact the Hearing Aid Specialist Board about their position regarding combining.
    - The Board discussed creating a subcommittee to address concerning with the Century Code in the event that the Hearing Aid Specialists are in favor of combining.
    - Courtney Olson made the motion to form a subcommittee to review and possibly draft a revised version of the Century Code. The Subcommittee would be Courtney Olson, Marin Almer and Krystal Mann.
    - Roll Call Vote: All Aye
- Updated Expense Report
    - Mileage reimbursement changed and this was updated.
- Board Members and expiring Terms
    - Hannah Campbell, Kayla Fisher and Courtney Olson's terms expired. Dr. Shinners took a position outside of ND and resigned from the Board.
        - Kayla will not be applying for a 2nd term and this will be her last meeting.
        - Hannah Campbell will not be applying for a 2nd term but will continue with the Board until her position is filled.

        - Courtney Olson's 2nd term expired in June. She is willing to stay on the Board until her position is filled.

- National Conference – October of 2026
    - Courtney Olson volunteered to attend the conference.
    - If other members decide to join, they should notify Brian
    - Robyn Zeltinger made the motion to approve Courtney to attend the conference.
    - Marin Almer seconded the motion.
    - Roll Call Vote: All Aye.

VIII. **Adjourn**

- Adjourn 1:57pm CST