TENNESSEE BOARD OF COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AND SCIENCES MEETING MINUTES

DATE: November 17, 2015

TIME: 10:00 A.M., CST

LOCATION: Health Related Boards

Ground Floor, Poplar Room

665 Mainstream Dr Nashville, TN 37243

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Terri Flynn, M.S., CCC-SLP, Speech Pathologist Mary Velvet Buehler, M.A., CCC-SLP/A, Audiologist Julie A Crosby-Davis, CCC-SLP, Speech Pathologist

Kimberly Vinson, MD, Otolaryngologist Debby Starr, Au.D, CCC-A, Audiologist Carrie Crittendon, Au.D, CCC-A, Audiologist

BOARD MEMBERS

ABSENT:

Richard Morton, Citizen Member

STAFF MEMBERS Hannah Lanford, Assistant General Counsel

PRESENT: Teddy Wilkins, Unit Director

Charles Custer, Board Administrator

Ms. Flynn called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. A roll call was held, and a quorum was present.

Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the August 11, 2015 meeting. Dr. Vinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Starr, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried.

OGC Report

Ms. Lanford advised the Board that there is no new legislation affecting the Board at this time.

The rules approved at the last Board meeting regarding licensure, exams, and supervision are at the Attorney General's office awaiting approval.

The Council for Licensed Hearing Instrument Specialists conducted a rulemaking hearing at the Council's meeting on September 25, 2015. The proposed amendment involved reducing the licensure renewal fee and removing the written endorsement/verification fee. The Rule is before the Board today and needs to be ratified by a roll call vote. After review, Dr. Starr made a motion, seconded by Dr. Vinson, to accept and ratify the Council-approved rulemaking. A roll call vote was held, and the motion carried.

Ms. Lanford also advised the Board that they are being asked to ratify extensions for apprentice licenses for Hearing Instrument Specialists. Ms. Lanford explained that the Council had been presented with a public records request that caused us to release copies of all of the exams, as well as the corresponding answer keys. Due to that, as well as a lawsuit filed against the Council, all testing has been suspended temporarily, and the Council voted to extend apprentice licenses. The Board is being asked to ratify these extensions as the HIS statute limits an apprentice license to no more than one (1) year. The Board reviewed the list of apprentice licenses extended. Ms. Davis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Vinson, to accept and ratify the list as presented. The motion carried.

There is currently one (1) open case in OGC, and there are no cases that have been appealed to the Chancery Court.

Ms. Lanford presented an Agreed Order for **Teresa Davis, Speech Pathologist**. Ms. Davis was found to be in violation of Board rules for not disclosing an open investigation by the Kentucky Office of Inspector General. The discipline outlined is a civil penalty of One Hundred Dollars (\$100). The civil penalty is to be paid within ninety (90) days of the date of the Order. Dr. Vinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Crittendon, to accept the Agreed Order as presented. The motion carried.

Ms. Lanford advised that the Board must review, and if appropriate, ratify a Consent Order and Final Order ratified by Council for Licensed Hearing Instrument Specialists at the Council's meeting on September 25, 2015.

- Ms. Lanford presented an Agreed Order for **Brett Parrish**, **Hearing Instrument Specialist**, to the Board for ratification. Mr. Parrish is being disciplined for not correcting advertising on his company's Twitter and Facebook account portraying him as an audiologist instead of a Hearing Instrument Specialist. Mr. Parrish agreed to probation of his license for one (1) year, civil penalties totaling Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), and costs associated with the discipline. Ms. Buehler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Vinson, to accept and ratify the Agreed Order as presented. The motion carried.
- Ms. Lanford presented a Final Order for Wolodymyr Stasiuk, Hearing Instument Specialist, to the Board for ratification. Mr. Stasiuk was charged with a variety of advertising violations, dating back to 2011. The Council voted to place Mr. Stasiuk's license on probation for three (3) years; assessment of a civil penalty totaling Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00); assessment of case costs not to exceed Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000.00), to be paid within twenty-four (24) months; that Mr. Stasiuk appear before the Council at the end of the probation period, for an order of compliance; and that Mr. Stasiuk submit all advertising and promotional materials to the Council's administrative office for review. Dr. Starr made a motion, seconded by Ms. Buehler, to accept and ratify the order as presented. The motion carried.

Investigative Report

Nichelle Dorroh, from the Office of Investigations presented the investigative reports. Ms. Dorroh provided a brief explanation of the investigative process for the new Board members. There are currently two (2) open complaints against speech pathologists, no open complaints against audiologists, and no open complaints against SLPA's.

Monitored Practitioners

There are four (4) currently monitored practitioners and all are in compliance.

Administrative Report

Mr. Custer provided the administrative report. As of November 13, 2015, there are 402 licensed audiologists, 2497 licensed speech pathologists and 111 registered speech language pathology assistants. Between July 31, 2015 and November 13, 2015, a total of 47 Audiologists have renewed their licenses, with 24 of those renewing online. For the same time period, a total of 292 Speech Pathologists have renewed their licenses, with 204 of those renewing online.

Mr. Custer presented the proposed dates for the 2016 Board meetings. Those dates are February 9, May 3, August 9, and November 8.

Newly Licensed

Ms. Buehler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Crittendon, to approve the presented list of newly licensed Speech Pathologists, Audiologists, and registered Speech Pathology Assistants. The motion carried.

SPEECH P	PATHOLOGY							
Kimberly	Adams	5708	Vicki	Haddix	5732	Amy	Nabors	5136
Katie	Akers	5284	Danielle	Hamilton	5475	Emily	Oliverius	5467
Kaitlin	Allen	5639	Robyn	Hanzalik	5295	Ashley	Pannell	5740
Katherine	Allen	5460	Brenda	Hodge	4876	Laura	Perry	5490
Lindsay	Athens	5619	Emily	Houston	5744	Renae	Peter	5770
Hannah	Baisley	5412	Catherine	Hundley	5751	Ryan	Rainey	5724
Sara	Beatty	5713	William	Hunt	5551	Terri	Reed	1740
Catherine	Berger	5413	Samera	Khan	5464	Lauren	Ross	5677
Lauren	Bischoff	5663	Lauren	King	5667	Drews	Royse	5488
Amanda	Brock	5767	Christine	Kujawski	5679	Judith	Rucker	5719
Chloe	Bunch	5415	Bryanna	Lanham	5741	Rachita	Salaria	5786
Jestina	Bunch	3945	Stephen	Lawrence	5765	Anne	Schubert	5727
Tasha	Burris-Jolivette	5748	Andrew	Lewis	5502	Kelly	Shelton	5690
Kailin	Carrico	5375	Sydney	Lilly	5425	Cara	Singer	5728
Rebecca	Crawford	5126	Valinda	Matthews	5687	Danielle	Slomins	5440
Tonia	Davis	5274	Jena	McDaniel	5664	Kalynn	Smalley	5269
Jennifer	Dilbert	5658	Susan	McDonald	5566	Gwen	Speck	5762
Harris	Dyson	5469	Chelsey	McFarland	5775	Kathryn	Struminger	5422
Kelli	Ellis	5688	Lori	Meggs	5638	Laura	Syme	5311
Wendy	Ellmo	5661	Kelsie	Menard	5473	Maria	Thur de Koos	5436
Neena	Elmore	5470	Sara	Miller	5468	Natasha	Vitart	5772
Ellen	Engel	5544	Bridget	Milleville	5718	Ashley	Williams	5267
Kristen	Goodman	5700	Heidi	Moreland	5699	Amy	Wilson	5438
Laura	Green	5423	Jean	Musick	5471	Christie	Wilson	5738
Ashley	Griffin	5689	Erin	Myers	5485	Sarah	Young-Deluca	5439
Rebecca	Gromley	5766	Rachel	Myers	5783			

AUDIOLOGY

Allyson	Gearhart	1769	Jonathan	Mansfield	1712	Daxton	Moss	1768
Frecedes	Letcher	1730	Stephanie	Mondelli	1771	Laura	Richardson	1764
Ashley	Lindberg	1772	Lauren	Morris	267	Erica	Thayer	1617
<u>SLPA</u>								
Caitlin	Adkins	463	Megan	Elledge	453	Jenna	Patuszynski	485
Megan	Breidenbach	481	Madison	McMillan	472	Jessica	Rushmore	471
Natalie	Cannon	476	Shea	Miller	482	Catherine	Shelton	480
Sydney	Conner	479	Nicole	Parker	478	Rebecca	Turbeville	460

Reinstatements

Dr. Vinson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Buehler, to approve the presented list of reinstated Speech Pathologists and Audiologists. The motion carried.

Emily	Bowen	4174	Lauren	Eaton	4255	Casey	Mayes	4962	
Bethany	Brazier	3062	Katherine	Harris	3257	Leslie	Page	1881	
Melanie	Cahill	1682	Virginia	Hurst	2396	Leslie	Sitton	3668	
Kristi	Correll	2608	Kristy	Johnson-Taylor	4324	Nicole	Vaughn	4850	
Susan	Davis	937	Erin	Jorge	4391				
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Brent	Cobb	289	Jenny	Griggs	1361	Lisa	Mendel	1290	

Review Licensure Files

The Board reviewed the licensure file for **Jonathan Mansfield**, **Audiologist**. Ms. Flynn recused herself from review and discussion of this file. Dr. Mansfield worked as an Audiology Clinical Extern (ACE) since May 2014, but was not registered by the Board, per the rules (Rule 1370-01-10). Mr. Custer advised that Dr. Mansfield had started the application process for the externship, but never completed it. Dr. Mansfield had been sent a deficiency letter on October 10, 2014, but he never had responded to that letter. Mr. Custer advised the Board that, as Dr. Mansfield had met all requirements for full licensure, he has already approved his license. During the discussion, it was determined that, unlike the previous issues where the applicants were unaware that they were required to apply, Dr. Mansfield had begun the process, and therefore knew that applying and registering was a requirement. After discussion and reviewing the file, Dr. Vinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Crittendon, to issue a consent order, with a civil penalty of \$50 per month worked, for a total of Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800). A roll call vote was held, and the motion carried.

Agreed Citations

The Board reviewed an agreed citation for **Tammy Hutchings**, **SLP**. Ms. Hutchings was issued an agreed citation, with a civil penalty of \$100, for non-compliance of six (6) hours of continuing

education. Dr. Starr made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to approve the agreed citation as presented. The motion carried. Ms. Flynn recused herself from the vote.

Review Continuing Education

Mr. Custer presented to the Board additional information concerning the documents submitted for the continuing education audit by **David Hutchings**, **SLP**. Mr. Custer reminded the Board that this was information previously reviewed by the Board, and they had some additional questions. After review and discussion of the new documents, Dr. Starr made a motion, seconded by Dr. Vinson, to accept the new documentation. The motion carried. Ms. Flynn recused herself from the vote.

Review of Board Policy Statements

Mr. Custer presented the Board policy statements that are on the website. He advised that these needed to be reviewed, and a determination was needed on whether to keep, modify, or delete each policy.

- Policy Statement, May 1998
 - o Ms. Buehler made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to remove this policy. The motion carried.
- Fourth Year Audiology Students, February 2004
 - o Ms. Buehler made a motion, seconded by Dr. Crittendon, to remove this policy. The motion carried.
- Renewal of Licensees Called to Active Military Duty
 - o Dr. Vinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Crittendon, to keep this policy as it stands. The motion carried.
- Lapsed License Policy
 - o Dr. Vinson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to keep this policy as it stands. The motion carried.
- CDS Continuing Education Policy Statement
 - o Dr. Vinson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to keep this policy as it stands. The motion carried.
- Criminal Background Check Policy
 - o Dr. Vinson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Davis, to keep this policy as it stands. The motion carried.

New Business

Ms. Flynn requested an item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting regarding the requirement of supervisor signatures on all work performed by Clinical Fellows or Clinical Externs. Ms. Flynn stated that this was a question raised at the ASHA convention, and she wanted to look into it further.

Adjournment

With no other Board business to conduct, Ms. Crosby-Davis made a motion, seconded by Dr. Vinson, to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 a.m. The motion carried.

Ratified by the Board of Communication Disorders and Sciences on February 9, 2016