

**TENNESSEE BOARD OF COMMUNICATION DISORDERS AND SCIENCES MEETING  
MINUTES**

**DATE:** March 23, 2023

**TIME:** 10:00 A.M., CST

**LOCATION:** Health Related Boards  
665 Mainstream Dr  
Nashville, TN 97243

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Alicia Barker, Audiologist,  
Richard Morton, Citizen Member,  
Carrie Mills, Speech Pathologist, Board Chairperson  
Matthew Ward, Speech Pathologist  
Skye Jones, Audiologist, Board Secretary

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**ABSENT:** Robyn Lusby, Speech Pathologist  
David Haynes, MD, Otolaryngologist

**STAFF MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Candyce Wilson, Unit Director  
Kristen Moon, Associate General Counsel  
Ingrid Rodriguez, Board Administrator  
Stephanie Rigney, Interim Board Administrator

Mr. Richard Morton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. A roll call was conducted, and quorum was confirmed.

Ms. Candyce Wilson, introduced the Board to their new administrator Ms. Ingrid Rodriguez and interim administrator Ms. Stephanie Rigney

**Election of Officers**

Ms. Alicia Barker made the motion to nominate Ms. Carrie Mills for Board Chair and Mr. Richard Morton seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Ms. Alicia Barker made the motion to nominate Ms. Skye Jones for Board Secretary and Mr. Richard Morton seconded the motion. The motion carried

### **Review/Approve Board Meeting Minutes**

The Board reviewed the August 18, 2022 and November 10, 2022 meeting minutes. Ms. Alicia Barker made a motion to approve both sets of minutes. Ms. Skye Jones second the motion and it passed.

### **Investigative Report**

The investigative report was presented by Barbara Granum. In the year 2022 thus far, the office has opened six (3) new complaints for communications disorders, one (1) for malpractice negligence and the other for a criminal conviction. In 2022, the office opened one (1) complaint for speech language pathology and closed four (4) complaints. Of the four (4) complaints closed, two (2) were closed with no action, one (1) with a letter of concern, and one (1) with a letter of warning. The complaint that was opened for review was for a criminal conviction. In 2022, the office opened two (2) complaints opened for audiology and four (4) complaints closed. Three (3) were closed for insufficient evidence and one (1) was closed with no action. The two (2) complaints opened, for audiology, were for malpractice negligence and unprofessional conduct. There were no complaints for speech pathology assistants in 2022. For 2023, there is one (1) complaint opened for practicing beyond the scope and no complaints closed for communications disorders. There have been no complaints for audiology and speech pathology assistants.

### **Financial Report**

Ms. Keeyona Love, fiscal manager for the Division of Health Licensure and Regulation, presented the mid-year 2023 financial report. The fiscal report runs July 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

The expenditures for 2022 payroll are \$49,509.58, other direct expenditures \$22,838.40 and total direct expenditures for 2022 is \$76,673.22, and total are expenditures \$150,058.03.

Board revenue fees generated for 2022 were \$101,993.00, total current year net is \$52,483.42, and Technology improvements \$1,994.04.

The cumulative amount carried over for the year is \$606,109.67.

Ms. Love stated there have been slight changes of revenue but there are no concerns.

### **Office of General Counsel Report**

Ms. Kristen Moon, with the Office of General Counsel, presented the OGC report. She reviewed the Conflict of Interest Policy and Open Meetings Act. Currently, there are no open cases in the office of general counsel for this Board. The disciplinary coordinators are monitoring two (2) licensees on probation and one (1) licensee for reprimand. One (1) Order of Compliance packet is ready for Board review today.

Rule Activity: Ms. Moon informed the Board that CDS Telehealth rule revisions, were posted to the Secretary of States website last week. The next step is for them go before the Government Operations Committee. Also, the HIS Practical skills proctors rule revision, is currently in internal review.

**Administrative Report**

Ms. Candyce Wilson provided the following administrative report:

TOTAL LICENSED/REGISTERED AS OF 03/23/2023

<b>Audiologists</b>	<b>Speech Pathologist</b>	<b>SLPA</b>
Active Licensees –537	Active Licensees – 3624	Registered –149

SINCE LAST BOARD MEETING  
(11/10/2022 – 3/23/2023)

<b>Audiologists</b>	<b>AUD ACE</b>	<b>Speech Pathologists</b>	<b>SLP CFP</b>	<b>SLPA</b>
New– 15	New – 3	New– 106	New – 30	New –18
Retired –1		Retired –2		Retired – 0
Expired – 12		Expired - 55		Expired – 9
Total Renewals – 73		Total Renewals – 488		Total Renewals –10
Online Renewals- 66		Online Renewals –432		Online Renewals – 7

**Tentative meeting for 2023:**

May 19<sup>th</sup>

August 19<sup>th</sup>

November 10<sup>th</sup>

**New Licensed Audiologist to be Ratified (A)**

Atwood Emily  
Fletcher Heather D.  
Lee Matthew Shea  
Monzingo Jamie  
Neukam Jonathan  
Pierce Lauren Mrs  
Riess Melissa S  
Ruccio Michael  
Sporn Michelle Therese Dr.  
Tjader Mary  
Tucker Ericka  
Vollmer Ann Elizabeth Dr.  
Yount Raymond Dr.

Upon review, Ms. Mills made a motion to ratify the list. The motion was seconded by Ms. Barker. The motion passed.

**Newly Licensed ACE**

Aldridge Mary Spencer Miss  
Robinson Tanner Lebaron  
Skaggs Stephanie

Upon review, Ms. Jones made a motion to ratify the list. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mills. The motion passed.

**Audiology Reinstates**

Kerwin Joann E  
Schmisseur Brooke

Upon review, Ms. Barker made a motion to ratify the list. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ward. The motion passed.

**Newly Licensed Speech Language Pathologist to be Ratified (SLP)**

Adler Hailey  
Anders Valerie Brewer Mrs.  
Barnett Kanden Sharp Mrs.  
Barron Catherine Ann  
Belles Britney  
Bentz Jacqueline  
Bolton Elsie  
Braaten Michelle  
Braun Sara  
Britt Jenna  
Britt Madeline Kathleen

Buck Alexis  
Buck Marie Austin  
Camp Ashley Marie  
Campbell Doss Allison Ruth Ms.  
Chaffin Maesa Mrs.  
Clark Mykiah  
Clary Brenna  
Clayton Crystal Dawn  
Conwell Alexandra Grace  
Cooke-Jones Mary Ann Ms.  
Cooper Kathy G  
Cooper Mary K  
Davis Shaniqua Lori  
Dawson Cadence Nariah  
Doll Elissa  
Donohue Carrie Dr.  
Dresen Kathryn Alyssa Mrs.  
Dulin Kirsten  
Dunn Jessica  
Engle Ellen Elisabeth  
Evans Madeleine G  
Gaglio Chelsea Ms.  
Gavagan Jacqueline  
Glascock Ashton E  
Goodin Natalie  
Gutierrez Catherine Gabrielle  
Hamilton Amy D.  
Harris Kiera  
Hart Ashley  
Hearn Johanna  
Helton Barbara Leigh  
Jackson John  
Jansen Cynthia Frances Mrs.  
Jones Ashley Marie  
Justice Danielle  
Kaup Kimberly L  
Klebenow Dawkins Lillian  
Lautner Macy East Mrs.  
Lawson Krista  
McCloskey Kaitlyn Erin  
McClure Rossana Arrigunaga  
McKean Ashley  
McNeill Allison Michele  
Minton Candice D  
Moore Michele Lynn  
Moraw Jocelyn Ms  
O'Connell Holley  
Oliphant Alanna Marie

Palmer Abigail  
Panzone Laura Marie  
Patnode Shannon A  
Pearson Brandon  
Pei Yalian  
Pemberton Chandler Pera  
Philipp Casandra Morgan  
Platt Mallory Rae  
Poetz Shannon  
Poindexter Carmen Elizabeth  
Rangel Ciara  
Renteria Kaitlyn Ms  
Revilla Callie Marie  
Ring Brooke  
Ross Sarah E  
Sain Kelsey Malinda  
Samowski Kaleigh Ann  
Schifilliti Rachel  
Schneider Arlette Demarr  
Scott Venissa Jill  
Sherrill Martha H  
Simmons Sandra Kay  
Sinclair Rachel  
Smith Teresa L.  
Smith Tiffany Taylor Mrs.  
Spencer Lena  
Stone Jessica  
Taylor Tiffany  
Thompson Lauren Elizabeth  
Underwood Anna  
Welsh Jaclyn Nicole  
Wiegel Marissa Ms.  
Wiencken Mary  
Wilson Rachel Elizabeth  
Winchester Quincie  
Wolfram Emily

Upon review, Ms. Mills made a motion to ratify the list and the motion was seconded by Mr. Ward  
The motion passed.

**Newly Licensed CF-SLP to be Ratified**

Adler Pessi  
Apple Kristen Eugenie  
Armstrong Elizabeth Glover  
Axelrod Kayla  
Beck Lillian  
Bristow Hannah Ellen

Cameron Nicole  
Carpenter Ashley  
Chamberlen Camille Grace  
Davis Riley Morgan  
Efferson Chloe Domaingue  
Fruchthandler Miri

Hodge Jill  
Hogan Lauren  
Martin Tashiana  
Meece Hannah  
Murray Victoria  
Orians Sarah Kathryn  
Peiper Matthew  
Perine Jalea  
Pion Lydia  
Piscitelli Cecilia  
Powell Lauren  
Raines Claudia

Scarlett Alina Scarlett  
Stomps Sara  
Szyc Martyna Ms.  
Vanbuskirk Christine  
Walker Chandra  
Wilson Olivia

Upon review, Ms. Mills made a motion to ratify the list and the motion was seconded by Ms. Barker.  
The motion passed.

**Newly Licensed SLPA to be Ratified (SP A)**

Baley-Almassey Lisa Marie  
Campbell Olivia  
Cook Moriah  
Diltz Linda  
Drake Traci Lynn  
Faulk Hanna  
Gross Elannie Inge  
Hansen Heather Ann  
Holman Alayna Mrs  
Lyle Heather Rose  
Miller Mary R  
Salgado Taylor  
Smith Keturah Anna  
Steavens Amy G  
Sullivan Tyler  
Tiedemann Heather  
Williams Cassandra Monique  
Winton Mary Leeanna

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The motion passed.

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Upon review, Ms. Barker made a motion to ratify the list and the motion was seconded by Ms. Ward.  
The motion passed.

**SLP Reinstated to be Ratified**

Barbee Leslie Segars  
Butterick Erin L  
Carter Amanda L  
Craigmyle Amy Wortham  
Cruse Mary  
Diallo Alicia Janel  
Fowler Teresa Ellen  
Hunzicker Kristin N  
Morrow Jodi K.  
Robertson Lauren Serret  
States Angela Rena  
Whittle Jessica Leigh

Upon review, Ms. Mills made a motion to ratify the list and the motion was seconded by Ms. Jones.  
The motion passed.

**Newly Licensed HIS**

Michele Fiscus  
Danielle Anne Borchard Glover  
Casey Jane Montague  
William Osbourne

Upon review, Ms. Mills made a motion to ratify the list and the motion was seconded by Ms. Barker.  
The motion passed.



### **Discuss and take action if needed regarding Correspondence**

The Board reviewed a letter from Mandie Oslund requesting a rule revision regarding clinical fellow hours. The request was for the hours to be extended from two (2) years to four (4) years. Ms. Stephanie Rigney with the Health-Related Boards spoke on the pros and cons on making this change to the Rules. No action was taken during the meeting. The Board will review ASHA's requirements. A motion was made to table this to the next meeting agenda.

### **Office of General Counsel**

Ms. Kristen Moon with the TN Department General Consult appeared before the Board. To review the Conflict of Interest Act and Open Meetings Acts. That the time there are no open cases. Ms. Moon brought before the Board the Hearing Instrument policy to allow licensee's to receive continuing education credit by watching Board meetings. A motion to ratify the policy was made by Ms. Mills. The motion was second by Ms. Barker. The motion carried.

### **Order(s) of Compliance**

Ms. Moon brought to the Board an Order of Compliance for Ms. Virginia Eli. Ms. Eli appeared before the Board and had previously filed her petition for an Order of Compliance. The Board reviewed the Compliance package. Ms. Jones made a motion to approve the Order of Compliance. Ms. Mills seconded the motion and the motion passed.

***Ratified by the Board of Communications Disorders and Sciences on May 19, 2023***