

IOWA BOARD OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY & AUDIOLOGY

July 22, 2022

Lucas State Office Building, 5th Floor Conference Room #526

Des Moines, Iowa

Open Session Meeting Minutes

A hybrid meeting was held in conference room #526 of the Lucas State Office Building. Some attendees attended in-person and some attendees attended virtually via Zoom. Instructions for participating via Zoom were provided on the agenda.

Members Present

Julie Duer, SLP

Jordan Cook, Public Member

Stacy Robinson, SLP

George Eichhorn, Public Member

Kevin Kock, Au.D.

Nancy Almasi, SLP

Caitlin McKenney, Au.D.

Members Absent:

Staff Present

Steven Garrison, Bureau Chief

Tessa Register, Assistant Attorney General

Susan Reynolds, Executive Officer

Beth Jorgenson, Compliance Administrator

Guest Present:

Evette Mister, Au.D.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 8:04 a.m.

Introductions

Introductions were made by the staff and members of the Board in attendance. New board member Stacy Robinson was recognized.

Election of Officers

Chair

Eichhorn moved the nomination of Julie Duer as board chair. A second was received by Kock. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Vice Chair

Cook moved the nomination of Eichhorn vice chair. A second was received by Almasi. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Approval of Open Session Minutes

April 22, 2022

Eichhorn moved the Board approve the open session meeting minutes of April 22, 2022, as presented. A second was received by Cook. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Reports

AAG Report

AAG Register reported the legislature this session passed SF 463 on the audiology and speech language pathology interstate compact. The Compact is not operational yet because there are other initial steps that must be met. There are currently 22 states that have joined, and the Midwest states include: Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, Indiana and Ohio. With the compact activated, the next steps are to promulgate by-laws and rules. Once by-laws are ratified by member states, then the compact can be implemented. The Board must elect two delegates who are a licensed audiologist and speech pathologist to represent Iowa as part of the ASLP-IC Commission.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Review Delegations of Authority to Board Staff

The Board discussed ongoing delegations to Board staff, including reviewing and approving: (1) applications that conform with the rules, (2) applicants with criminal histories who are within 6 months of completing probation or whose conviction was more than 5 years ago, unless the crime could be directly related to the profession, (3) requests for medical extensions/exemptions for a single biennium. The Board also discussed delegations for initial complaint actions including (1) forwarding complaints for formal investigation, (2) referring to law enforcement when a complaint indicates a crime was committed, (3) closing complaints that are facially inactionable or outside of the board's jurisdiction. (4) approval of stop practice agreement and rescheduling orders. Board consensus was to vote to continue delegating these approvals and actions to Board staff.

Cook moved to approve the Delegations of Authority to the executive officer. A second was received by Almasi. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

New Business

Appointment of ASLP-IC Commission Delegates

Kock moved to nominate himself to serve as the audiologist on the commission. A second was received from Duer. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Almasi moved to nominate herself to serve as the speech pathologist on the commission. A second was received from Cook. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Cook moved to approve the April 22, 2022, closed session minutes. A second was received by Duer. All ayes, nays none, motion carried.

Future Board Meetings:

The October 28th meeting will convene at 8:30 a.m.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Cook to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 a.m. A second was received from Duer. All ayes, opposed none, motion carried.

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