



June 21, 2023, SLPHCPGB Public Meeting

Minutes

Speech Language Pathology and Hearing Care Providers Governing Board
Jun 21, 2023 at 1:30 PM EDT

@ 7 Eagle Square, Concord, NH 03303

Attendance

I. Members: Ian McGarty, Meredith Bergeron, William Flanders, Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja
Guest - Rahkiya Medley, Jessica Whelehan, Brenda Rines, Vicki Chesterley

II. Call to Order 1:31 pm

Meeting scheduled to begin at 1:30 pm. If a voting member has been allowed to attend remotely, identify that member, have them check that they can clearly hear and be heard, and that they are alone in the room. Note that all votes must be via roll call vote if any voting member is attending remotely.

III. Approval of Public Minutes

Upon a motion by Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, with a second by Meredith Bergeron, the Board voted to approve the minutes as submitted.

IV. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates -

Rahkiya Medley and Brenda Rines were introduced to the Board.

V. New Business

A. Jennifer Hales, SLS - Inquiry

Upon a motion by Ian McGarty, with a second by Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, the Board voted to deny – doesn't meet requirement for licensure pursuant to RSA 326-F:3 II.

Ian McGarty and Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja know Jennifer Hales – duly noted

B. OPLC Fees for Audiologist and SLP

William Flanders inquired on why there are different fees with SLPHCPGB. Example: Audiologist pay \$300 per renewal and SLP pay \$110 per renewal. Request has been made for Finance to present at the next board meeting for clarification.

VI. Licensure Approval

A. Fast-Track Approvals

 [FT 5.2.23 thru 6.13.23.pdf](#)

Upon a motion by Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, with a second by Meredith Bergeron, the Board voted to ratify.

B. Speech-Language Applications

1. Teagan Ahern, P-SLP to full

Upon a motion by Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, with a second by Ian McGarty, the Board voted to approve all to Full.

2. Serena Jaskolka, P-SLP to full

Upon a motion by Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, with a second by Ian McGarty, the Board voted to approve all to Full.

3. Meredith Adams, P-SLP to full

Upon a motion by Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, with a second by Ian McGarty, the Board voted to approve all to Full.

4. Emily Fraser, P-SLP to full

Upon a motion by Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, with a second by Ian McGarty, the Board voted to approve all to Full.

VII. Rules Review and other Legislative Topics

A. Legislative Update if needed (OPLC Counsel)

William Flanders ask about the Music Therapy Bill and if they would be their own separate board. Rahkiya Medley, Board Counsel did think they would have their own counsel.

VIII. Non-Public Session

“The Board will conduct a Non-Public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3 II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978), and the Board’s executive and deliberative privileges.”

Upon motion of Ian McGarty seconded by Meredith Bergeron, the Board voted to commence the **1st non-public session** at 1:55 pm and ended at 2:11 pm.

IX. Seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Session

“The Board votes to seal the minutes of the non-public session to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.”

Upon the motion of Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, and the second of Ian McGarty, the Board voted to keep minutes of the non-public session confidential from public disclosure. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

X. Adjourn meeting at 2:13 pm – Next Board Meeting is July 11, 2023 at 1:30 pm