

OFFICE OF LICENSED ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS
GOVERNING BOARD OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY



MINUTES of April 1, 2019

The April 1, 2019 meeting of the Speech-Language Pathology Governing Board convened at 3:30 P.M. with the following members present:

Cassandra Chapman, SLP, Chair
Carissa Magri, SLP
Deborah Snow-Major, SLP

Absent: Mariellen MacKay, Public Member

The Board voted to approve the minutes of March 8, 2019, as amended, on a motion from Deborah Snow-Major with a second by Carissa Magri.

PUBLIC MINUTES
QUALIFICATION AND LICENSURE

1. **SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE APPROVED UNDER FAST TRACK PROGRAM**

The Board ratified the approval of the following applications for initial Speech-Language Pathologist licensure on a motion from Deborah Snow-Major with a second by Carissa Magri:

Kelsey H. Bennion, SLP
Stephen P. Foss, SLP
Teresa L. Markum, SLP

2. **SPEECH-LANGUAGE ASSISTANT APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION APPROVED UNDER FAST TRACK PROGRAM**

The Board ratified the approval of the following application for initial Speech-Language Assistant certification on a motion from Carissa Magri with a second by Deborah Snow-Major:

Morgan S. Jacobs, SLA

3. **SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST APPLICATION FOR PROVISIONAL LICENSURE APPROVED UNDER FAST TRACK PROGRAM**

The Board ratified the approval of the following application for provisional Speech-Language Pathologist licensure on a motion from Deborah Snow-Major with a second by Carissa Magri:

Kim E. Motylewski, NH/Provisional

4. SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST REQUEST TO GO FROM PROVISIONAL TO FULL LICENSURE

The Board approved of the following request to go from provisional Speech-Language Pathologist licensure to full licensure on a motion from Deborah Snow-Major with a second by Carissa Magri:

Mary M. Carbonneau, NH/Provisional
Katelyn J. Day, NH/Provisional
Christianna J. Gilbert, NH/Provisional
Jennifer A. Hylkema, NH/Provisional

ADMINISTRATIVE

5. Rules:

- a. The Board reviewed changes to Spe 100 and Spe 200 and voted on a motion from Deborah Snow-Major with a second by Carissa Magri to begin the rule making process.
- b. The Board began reviewing existing rules for Spe 300 and suggesting changes.

Laws:

- a. HB 662 – establishing a commission to study occupational licensing reforms. Voted inexpedient to legislate.
 - b. HB 2 – Budget Rider – This bill had a provision to bring the Hearing Care Board under the Speech-Language Pathology Governing Board. This has been pulled from the bill and will be put forward during the next legislative session as a stand-alone bill.
6. RSA 326-F:2 provides an exemption from licensure if the individuals is working in the school and is certified by the DOE as a Speech-Language Specialist. The Board instructed their Administrator to request their Attorney JD Lavallee attend the next meeting to provide an update and the draft letter outlining the Board’s concerns if this should take place. In addition, the Board wishes to add a concern with regards to this matter:

Speech-Language Pathologist could be in a position of violating their code of ethics and their rules if they also have to abide by rules imposed by the DOE for Speech-Language Specialists. For Example: SLPs’ licensure indicates only certain duties can be delegated to others (SLA). Speech-Language Specialists Certification says they can delegate additional duties or other duties. The Speech-Language Pathologist would then be in violation of their code of ethics, rules, and laws. Having both puts these individuals in a position that no matter what they do they are violating some NH State rule and/or law. This would put a Speech-Language Pathologist in a no win situation.”

7. Federal Guidance on Medicaid to Schools provides that in order for Federal Financial Participation for Medicaid payments, the service must be in the State plan, and provided in accordance with the approved state plan methodologies. The NH plan is being worked on and it has come to the Board's attention that services designated within this plan are not being correctly cited and may violate the Board's rules relating to Speech-Language Pathologists and Speech-Language Assistants. The Board voted on a motion from Carissa Magri with a second by Deborah Snow-Major to have Deborah Snow-Major work with the individuals involved in writing the plan to help ensure there are no violations of the Board's rules included in the plan.

8. Nashua Community College would like someone to speak with the SLA graduating class about licensure. The Board's Administrator will contact the College to schedule a time to meet with the students.

ADJOURN: on a motion from Deborah Snow-Major with a second by Carissa Magri, the motion to adjourn at 5:41 P.M. carried in the affirmative.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tina M. Kelley, Board Administrator.

Accepted: _____
Cassandra Chapman, SLP Chair

Date: _____
at meeting dated

04/01/19

Motion to commence non-public session:

Upon the motion of Deborah Snow-Major with a second by Carissa Magri, the Board voted to conduct a non-public session for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and noting that 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. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

[Minutes kept separately]

Motion to keep minutes of non-public session confidential:

Upon the motion of Carissa Magri to adjourn with a second by Deborah Snow-Major, the Board voted to withhold and seal the minutes of the preceding non-public session from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and to render the proposed action ineffective. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous vote of all members present.