Public Minutes Speech-Language Pathology and Hearing Care Providers Governing Board Monday, June 13, 2022

Call to Order: The Monday, June 13, 2022, meeting of the SLPHCPGB ("the Board") was called to order at 8:30 am. The following members were present:

Ian McGarty, SLP, Chair Jocelyn Lister, SLP Meredith Bergeron, SLP William Flanders, Audiologist Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja

Others Present:

Jessica Whelehan, Board Administrator Lauren Warner, Board/General Counsel Vicki Chesterley (via Zoom), Guest

*All votes are unanimous unless otherwise noted.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE

a) Review Minutes of April 11, 2022 – Upon motion from Jocelyn Lister, second from William Flanders, the minutes of the April 11, 2022, meeting were approved; Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja abstained.

2.RULES

a) Initial Proposal Ahp 100, 200, 300 (various) – Hearing Care fee approval – Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Jocelyn Lister, the Board voted to approve the \$300 fee proposed in the Ahp rules.

3. APPLICATIONS

a) SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST APPLICATION

There were none for the Board to review.

b) <u>SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST APPLICATION FOR</u> <u>REINSTATEMENT</u>

- **Renee Ellicott** Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, the Board voted to approve the reinstatement application.
 - c) SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL

There were none for the Board to review.

d) SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST PROVISIONAL LICENSE

There were none for the Board to review.

e) SPEECH-LANGUAGE ASSISTANT APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE

- **1. Elizabeth Jackson** Upon motion from Jocelyn Lister, second from Meredith Bergeron, the Board voted to approve the reinstatement application.
- **2. Kathleen Bouvier** Upon motion from Jocelyn Lister, second from Meredith Bergeron, the Board voted to approve the reinstatement application.

f) SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST PROVISIONAL TO FULL LICENSE

- **1. Rey Lebron** Upon motion from Ian McGarty, second from Jocelyn Lister, the Board voted to approve the provisional to full license application.
- **2. Madison Gorrasi** Upon motion from Jocelyn Lister, second from Ian McGarty, the Board voted to approve the provisional to full license application.
- **3. Heather Lowry** Upon motion from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, second from William Flanders, the Board voted to approve the provisional to full license application.
- **4. Tessa Guillemette** Upon motion from Ian McGarty, second from Jocelyn Lister, the Board voted to approve the provisional to full license application.
- **Samantha Maida** Upon motion from Jocelyn Lister, second from Ian McGarty, the Board voted to approve the provisional to full license application.
- **Emma Bychok** Upon motion from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, second from William Flanders, the Board voted to approve the provisional to full license application.
- 7. Cheyenne Boucher Upon motion from Jocelyn Lister, second from Ian McGarty, the Board voted to approve the provisional to full license application.
- **Stacy Kenney** Upon motion from Jocelyn Lister, second from Ian McGarty, the Board voted to approve the provisional to full license application; Meredith Bergeron abstained.

g) AUDIOLOGIST APPLICATION

- 1. **Jamie Lynn Parks** Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, the Board voted to approve the application.
- **2**. **Stephanie Strong** Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, the Board voted to approve the application.
- **3**. **Emma Michaud** Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, the Board voted to approve the application.
- **4. Maura Beggin** Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Jocelyn Lister, the Board voted to approve the application once the transcripts for the Doctorate in audiology have been received.

5. **Amber Padgett** - Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, the Board voted to approve the application.

h) HEARING AID DEALER APPLICATION

- **1.** Tanya Loya Supervised Practice Plan Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Meredith Bergeron, the Board accepted the Supervised Practice Plan. requirements.
- **2. Kimerly Doherty** Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Jocelyn Lister, the Board approved the application, choosing to waive, upon their own motion, and in accordance with Hcp 213.01 (d), the practical exam detailed in HCP 304.05 (a)(2) as the Board felt the exam is duplicative in nature given the other licensure requirements.
- 3. **Deborah Tatarunis** Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, the Board approved the application, choosing to waive, upon their own motion, and in accordance with Hcp 213.01 (d), the practical exam detailed in HCP 304.05 (a)(2) as the Board felt the exam is duplicative in nature given the other licensure requirements.
 - i) <u>FAST TRACK PROGRAM</u> The Board reviewed the following list of licensees, all approved under the Fast-Track Program:

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST LICENSES APPROVED UNDER THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM

AARON	KAUFMAN	INITIAL, SLP	4/4/2022
JESSICA	WALSH	INITIAL, SLP	4/6/2022
SARA	GAETA	INITIAL, SLP	4/20/2022
MIKA	GENATOSSIO	INITIAL, SLP	4/20/2022
SHANNON	DUFFY	INITIAL, SLP	4/27/2022
KAREN	CRONIN	INITIAL, SLP	5/5/2022
LISA	RAYES	INITIAL, SLP	5/6/2022
CARISSA	CARRIER	INITIAL, SLP	5/10/2022
COURTNEY	HARRISON	INITIAL, SLP	5/11/2022
HANNAH	POHLI	INITIAL, SLP	5/13/2022
HALEY	SUTERA	INITIAL, SLP	5/24/2022
ELAINE	MACH	INITIAL, SLP	5/25/2022

SPEECH-LANGUAGE ASSISTANT LICENSE APPROVED UNDER THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM

AMY	NIXON	INITIAL, SLA	5/27/2022
RACHEL	JONES	INITIAL, SLA	6/1/2022

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST REINSTATEMENTS APPROVED UNDER THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM

REINSTATEMENT,

ERICA MILLER SLP 4/12/2022

SPEECH LANGUAGE ASSISTANT REINSTATEMENTS APPROVED UNDER THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM

REINSTATMENT,

BRITTNEY DUSTIN SLA 4/5/2022

REINSTATEMENT,

JILLIAN MERCER SLA 4/20/2022

SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST PROVISIONAL LICENSE A UNDER THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM

KATHERINE ABBOTT PROVISIONAL 6/1/2022

AUDIOLOGIST UNDER THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM

There were none for the Board to review.

HEARING AID DEALER UNDER THE FAST TRACK PROGRAM

There were none for the Board to review.

5. OTHER/INFORMATIONAL

- a) Administrative Law Training Jessica Whelehan, Board Administrator, reminded the Board to complete the Administrative Law Training, which she had emailed to the members on April 11, 2022. William Flanders stated he had already completed the training, and although he had served on governing Boards previously, he found the information in the training to be useful.
- b) Prometric Jessica Whelehan explained that Heather Kelley had been scheduled to attend the meeting to discuss switching any required testing, such as the testing for Hearing Care, to Prometric, but Heather had not been able to make it.
- c) **HB 1059** Jessica Whelehan detailed the changes to RSA 541-A:29 that this bill would bring about in mid to late July.
- **d) HB 1016** The Board discussed the fact that the term "Speech Language Specialist" would be removed from usage.
- e) ASLP-Interstate Compact Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Jocelyn Lister, the Board voted to appoint William Flanders as the Compact Delegate.

- f) OnBoard Jessica Whelehan discussed changes the Board will see to the meeting materials, and the fact that it maybe as soon as next meeting. Jocelyn Lister noted that the delay on the State's "pipeline" may prove problematic as the new process was entirely cloud-based. Jessica acknowledged the issues with the State's internet service, and also explained that the new program would allow the members to login and view the items using the website or the application, but would likely prevent them from downloading the materials, which was in an effort to limit possible 91-A concerns.
- **Public Member Update** With pending changes to rules, and HB 1427, which took effect June 10, 2022, the Board asked what the status was of the vacant public member spot. Vicki Chesterley replied that she believed that Jennifer Bertrand had applied, however, given the change in the process the application may have gotten lost in the shuffle. Vicki said she would reach out to Jennifer to check on the status of her application for Board membership.

6. HEARINGS

a) Rules Hearing Spe 405.01 – Ian McGarty initiated the scheduled rules hearing at 9:00 am. Vicki Chesterley, via Zoom, spoke in support of the rule change. Ian McGarty closed the hearing at 9:16 am.

7. RULES (cont.)

a) Spe 100s Initial Proposal – Tina Kelley, OPLC Rules, presented the Board with an Initial Proposal for the Spe 100s. Jessica Whelehan brought up the fact that HB 1427 took effect on June 10, 2022 and needed to be considered in the rule. Upon motion from Jocelyn Lister, second from Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, the Board voted to approve the initial proposal as long as Spe 103.01 was edited to remain consistent with the changes to statute brought about by HB 1427.

MOTION TO ENTER INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

Upon motion from William Flanders, second from Jocelyn Lister, the Board voted to enter into non-public session at 9:17 AM for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and as authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3, II (e), and Lodge v. Knowlton, 119 N.H. 574 (1978). Roll call vote: Ian McGarty –Yes; Jocelyn Lister – Yes; Meredith Bergeron – Yes; Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja – Yes; and, William Flanders –Yes.

RESUME PUBLIC SESSION:

At 9:29 AM the Board returned to public session. Jocelyn Lister moved to seal the non-public minutes, and Meredith Bergeron seconded the motion. The Board voted unanimously to seal the minutes of the non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3.

8. OTHER/INFORMATIONAL (cont.)

a) Jessica Whelehan informed the Board that the July meeting would be run by Jenna Wilson, Board Administrator.

b) Jessica Whelehan asked the Board to confirm their ability to attend the July 11, 2022, meeting, and the August 8, 2022, meeting. Meredith Bergeron will not be able to attend the August meeting. Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja stated she would check her calendar and get back to Jessica within a week. All other members confirmed their ability to attend.

Ian McGarty adjourned the meeting at 9:31 am.

