

**IDAHO SPEECH AND HEARING SERVICES LICENSURE BOARD**  
**Bureau of Occupational Licenses**  
700 West State Street, P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0063

**Conference Call Minutes of 1/5/2017**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dennis J Bell - Chair  
Kenneth W Nuhn  
Cynthia K Olsen  
Gayle L Chaney  
Jody S O'Donnell  
Barbra Osterhout

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Kevin C Woodall

**BUREAU STAFF:** Tana Cory, Bureau Chief  
Dawn Hall, Administrative Support Manager  
Lori Peel, Investigative Unit Manager  
Maurie Ellsworth, General Counsel  
Mitchell Toryanski, Legal Counsel

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM MST by Dennis J Bell.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms Chaney made a motion to approve the minutes of 12/7/2016. It was seconded by Ms. Osterhout. Motion carried.

**LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

Ms. Cory gave the legislative report. She said that the Legislature will convene on Monday, January 9, 2017. She will confirm with the Board members the dates which will be set for hearings on the Law and Rule changes submitted by the Board.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Ms. Hall gave the financial report, which indicated that the Board had a cash balance of \$267,452.53 as of November 30, 2016.

**[INVESTIGATIVE REPORT](#)**

Ms. Peel gave the investigative report, which is linked above.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

To Do List – The Board reviewed the to do list.

The subcommittee on proposed rule changes, consisting of Ms. Chaney, Mr. Bell, and Mr. Toryanski, reported to the Board their findings after consulting with the three parties that submitted comments to the Board.

The comments were all concerning the potential impact of the proposed rule changes regarding audiology support personnel on hearing screenings currently being performed on newborns.

The subcommittee recommended that the Board continue moving forward with the proposed rules as submitted to the 2017 Legislature, having concluded that hearing screeners do not work under the direction and supervision of audiologists, and are not considered audiology support personnel. Further, they concluded that the collection of data by the hearing screeners does not constitute the practice of audiology as defined in Idaho's Speech and Hearing Services Practice Act and that hearing screening programs are important to the health and welfare of newborns and will not be affected by the proposed rule changes.

Ms. Chaney made a motion for Bureau staff to convey this in response to the three parties who commented on the proposed Rule changes. Ms. O'Donnell seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Chaney made a motion that the Board move forward with the proposed Rule changes as submitted to the 2017 Legislature and consider, in this coming year, ways that it can clarify its position that hospital-based newborn hearing screenings are exempt from its jurisdiction. It was seconded by Ms. Olsen. Motion carried.

Ms. Cory updated the Board on the progress of The Sign Language Interpreter Bill slated to go before the 2017 Legislature. Mr. Ellsworth made recommendations to correct some typographical errors and minor format changes but found no substantive changes to be necessary. Ms. Cory will report to the sponsor of the Bill that the Board finds no other modifications necessary and has no concerns.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**NEXT MEETING** was scheduled for February 15, 2017 at 8:30 AM MST.

## **APPLICATIONS**

Ms. O'Donnell made a motion to approve the following for licensure:

Approved for Licensure

HARDMEYER KYLIE	SLP-3114
HAYES RACHEL BRIANNE	SLP-3138
JONES KERI	SLP-3095
MINNITI BIANCA NINA	SLP-3139
MITCHAM REBECCA ALLISON	SLP-3135
RITZ HOLLEY JEAN	SLP-3140
SAMARIN AMANDA DAVIDOVNA	SLP-3129
SHAPPELL PATRICIA	AUD-3132
THEOFANIS RACHEL ESTHER	SLP-3111

Approved for Exam

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Provisional Permits

MENDELSONH MOLLY	TSLP-3133
WALLIN CHRISTINE LEIGH	TSLP-3136

It was seconded by Mr. Nuhn. Motion carried.

### **CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR REINSTATEMENT**

Ms. Osterhout made a motion to approve all submissions of CE for reinstatement. It was seconded by Ms. Olsen. Motion carried

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Osterhout made a motion that the Board go into executive session under Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) to consider records that are exempt from disclosure under the Idaho Public Records Law. The purpose of the Executive Session was to consider license application materials. It was seconded by Ms. O'Donnell. The vote was: Mr. Bell, aye; Ms. Chaney, aye; Mr. Nuhn, aye; Ms. O'Donnell, aye; Ms. Olsen, aye; and Ms. Osterhout, aye. Motion carried.

Ms. O'Donnell made a motion to come out of executive session. It was seconded by Ms. Osterhout. The vote was: Mr. Bell, aye; Ms. Chaney, aye; Mr. Nuhn, aye; Ms. O'Donnell, aye; Ms. Olsen, aye; and Ms. Osterhout, aye. Motion carried.

### **QUARTERLY REPORT NOT RECEIVED**

Ms. Chaney made a motion to notify the permit holder currently in violation of submission of a required quarterly report that the permit will be revoked within 10 days of notice unless all requirements for the provisional permit are made current. It was seconded by Ms. O'Donnell. Motion carried.

## ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Chaney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 AM MST. It was seconded by Ms. Olsen. Motion carried.

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