

BOARD OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

Professional and Vocational Licensing Division
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by §92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

Date: April 27, 2018

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Place: Exam Room
King Kalakaua Building
335 Merchant Street, 3rd^t Floor
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: June Uyehara-Isono, Audiologist, Chairperson
Valery O'Brien, Public Member, Vice Chairperson
Gary Belcher, Public Member
Shannon Y. Ching, Audiologist
Julie Yatogo, Speech Pathologist
James Kobashigawa ("EO")
Susan A. Reyes, Secretary

Excused: Lorna Hu, Speech Pathologist

Guests: None.

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Uyehara-Isono at 2:00 p.m.

Approval of August 4, 2017 Meeting Minutes: It was moved by Mr. Belcher, seconded by Ms. Yatogo, and unanimously carried to approve the February 2, 2018 Meeting Minutes as circulated.

Applications: a. Licensure – Speech Pathologist

None.

b. Ratifications

Upon a motion by Mr. Belcher, seconded by Dr. Ching, it was voted on and unanimously carried to ratify the following:

Approved for License - Speech Pathologist

SP 1708	Brittany Sugzda
SP 1709	Sara Bogotch
SP 1710	Jaime Kosinski
SP 1711	Emily Meadows
SP 1712	Chung Hwa Brewer
SP 1713	Christina Mejia
SP 1714	Samantha Lentz
SP 1715	Anna Kolacz
SP 1716	Kelly Rice

Executive Officer's Report:

a. December 2017 Renewals

EO Kobashigawa reported to the Board that there were 84.4% audiologists and 75.1% speech pathologists renewing their licenses.

EO Kobashigawa stated that there are corrections to the agenda as follows:

Applications

a. Ratifications

SP 1709	Sara, Bogotch
SP 1213	Christina Mejia

Delete the comma after Sara.

Correct license number for SP 1213 should be SP 1713.

b. DCCA Disciplinary Actions through March 2018

EO Kobashigawa distributed a copy of the DCCA Disciplinary Actions through March 2018 for the Board's review.

EO Kobashigawa reported that there were no disciplinary actions relating to speech pathologists or audiologists through March 2018.

c. Filing of Financial Disclosure

EO Kobashigawa reminded the Board to file their financial disclosure forms by going to <http://ethics.hawaii.gov> before May 31, 2018.

Valery O'Brien arrived at 2:15 p.m.

Legislation:

a. S.B. 2258 Relating to Licensing – Clarifies that the licensing requirements for hearing aid dealers and fitters shall not apply to audiologists licensed pursuant to Chapter 468E, Hawaii Revised Statutes

EO Kobashigawa informed the Board that this bill was passed out of conference committee. Both sides have not voted on it yet. Basically, it is saying that audiologist would be exempt from being required to be licensed as a hearing aid dealer.

Chairperson Uyehara-Isono asked: If it passes, is it effective on the renewal date or immediately?

EO Kobashigawa answered: It is effective upon the governor signing the bill.

b. S.B. 2263 Relating to Speech Pathology – Establishes a provisional license for speech pathologists

EO Kobashigawa said it was introduced, but there was no hearing in the committee.

Ms. Yatogo asked: What is the process when a bill is introduced?

EO Kobashigawa answered: Anybody can introduce a bill, and it is assigned to a committee. And it is dependent upon the committee to conduct a hearing. Unless other legislatures are pushing for a bill, the chair of the committee will make a decision on whether a bill is heard or not.

Announcements:

a. Hearing to Confirm Shannon Ching and Julie Yatogo

EO Kobashigawa announced that Shannon Ching and Julie Yatogo have been confirmed and re-appointed for the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology.

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Next Meeting Friday, August 3, 2018
Date: 2:00 p.m.
 Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room
 King Kalakaua Building
 335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor
 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned
 at 2:30 p.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Susan A. Reyes

Susan A. Reyes
Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ James Kobashigawa

James Kobashigawa
Executive Officer

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Minutes approved as is.

Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of _____.