

Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

AGENDA

Friday, May 15, 2020 Conference Room @ Board Office 8:00 a.m. Prairieville, LA

8:00-8:05 Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call

8:05-8:10 Mission Statement

The Board exists because the legislature declared that "in order to safeguard the public health, safety, and welfare, to protect the public from incompetent, unscrupulous, and unauthorized persons, and from unprofessional conduct by speech-language pathologists, audiologists, and speech-language pathology assistants, it is necessary to provide regulatory authority over persons offering speech-language pathology and audiology services to the public."

8:10-8:15 Public Comments

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8:20-8:40 Minutes

- 1. Minutes of February 14, 2020
- 2. Minutes of March 18, 2020 Emergency Call due to COVID-19
- 3. Minutes of March 20, 2020 Emergency Call due to COVID-19
- 4. Minutes of March 23, 2020 Emergency Call due to COVID-19

8:40-9:15 Financials

- 1. Financial statement for the month ended November 2019 December 2019
- 2. Quote for Polycom wireless conference phone
- 3. Estimate from Covalent Logic for digital ID cards (\$1,200)
- 4. Estimate from Covalent Logic for grace period letter (\$1,023)
- 5. Estimate from Covalent Logic for 2020 renewal changes (\$1,137.50)

9:15-12:00 Admin Review (Break 10:30-10:45)

- 1. Executive Director Update
- 2. LBESPA Processing
- 3. Updates on Previous Presentations
- 4. Update on Board Vacancies
- 5. July Board Meeting Change
- 6. Update on SB 98 and other bills

- 7. Digital vs. wet signatures for program completion forms & clinical practicum hours
- 8. Update on Provisional Audiology license request
- 9. Audiology Praxis examination changes
- 10. Online sale of hearing aids
- 11. Discussion regarding changes necessitated by COVID-19
 - a. Praxis Examination Requirement
 - b. Supervision
 - i. Provisional SLPs (number of hours; hours in correct/quarter; dates of supervision; upgrades)
 - ii. Restricted SLPs (number of hours; hours in correct semester/quarter; dates of supervision)
 - iii. SLP Assistants and Provisional SLP Assistants
 - c. Continuing Education
 - d. Criminal Background Checks
 - e. NPDB Query Fees Waived
 - f. Telehealth
 - g. Conditional Licenses due to COVID-19
 - h. Open Book Examination
 - i. Office Procedures
- 12. SLP Assistant Certificate online program
- 13. Roles and Responsibilities of Board Members

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:15-1:30 Compliance Hearing with Ms. Ghaith

1:30-4:30 Executive Session (Break 3:00-3:15)

- 1. a. Complaint #2016-08A
 - b. Complaint #2018-12
 - c. Complaint #2020-01
 - d. Complaint #2020-15
- 2. Review of Pending Complaints/Cases
 - a. Complaint #2018-07
 - b. Complaint #2018-10
 - c. Complaint #2019-17
- 3. Review of New Complaints/Cases
 - a. Complaint #2020-16
 - b. Complaint #2020-17
 - c. Complaint #2020-18
- 4. Correspondence from student regarding university/professor concerns
- 5. Correspondence from SLP supervisor regarding supervision concerns
- 6. Review of Telehealth Registration Applications

- a. EC
- 7. Review of Applications
 - a. SD
 - b. CM
 - Full or Provisional SLPs and/or AUDs
 - SLP Assistant and Provisional SLP Assistants
 - Upgrades
 - Reinstatements

4:30-5:00 Conferences

Louisiana Academy of Audiology (LAA)

1. Request to Exhibit

Louisiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (LSHA)

1. Request to Present

Speech Pathologists & Audiologists in Louisiana Schools (SPALS)

1. Request for Continuing Education Sponsorship

Council on Licensure, Enforcement & Regulation (CLEAR)

1. Membership Renewal

5:00-5:30 Correspondence

- 1. Email from Darcie Roussel, dated March 27, 2020, regarding SLP Assistant proposed Rules changes
- 2. Email from Tally Ward, dated April 8, 2020, requesting a refund of licensure application fee
- 3. Letter from Rebecca Davis of Southeastern Louisiana University, dated April 15, 2020, regarding the clinical hour requirements speech-language pathology assistants
- 4. Email from Nicole Magee, dated April 21, 2020, requesting a refund of licensure application fee
- 5. Letter from Erin Foreman, dated April 29, 2020, requesting a refund of licensure application fee
- 6. Email from Kristyn Smith, dated May 10, 2020, regarding ESY school services