

**Louisiana Board of Examiners for  
Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology**

**December 4, 2020**

**Participating:**

**Glenn M. Waguespack, L-AUD, Chairperson  
Erica A. Chatelain, L-SLP, Vice Chairperson  
Deanna B. Hardy, Public Board Member, Secretary/Treasurer  
Leigh Anne Baker, L-SLP, Board Member  
Jerrilyn Frasier, L-AUD/SLP, Board Member  
Annette E. Hurley, L-AUD, Board Member  
Lucie LeDoux, L-AUD/SLP, Board Member**

The meeting was called to order and the Board's mission statement was read by Glenn Waguespack at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the Hyatt Centric located at 800 Iberville Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. Jolie Jones, Executive Director, was present for the entirety of the meeting. Erica Chatelain, Deanna Hardy, and Leigh Anne Baker participated in the meeting via video conference, as allowed during the state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Deanna Hardy left the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No one was present or participating via video conference in the meeting to provide public comments.

**AGENDA:**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to accept the Agenda as presented.

Leigh Anne Baker announced that she has submitted a letter of resignation to the Governor's office and this will be her last board meeting.

**MINUTES:**

**1. Minutes of September 25, 2020**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to adopt the minutes of the meeting held September 25, 2020, as presented.

**FINANCIALS:**

**1. Financial Statements for the months ended July 2020 – September 2020**

Board members were provided a copy of the Financial Statements prepared by Champagne & Company, for the months ended July 2020 – September 2020.

2. **Chromebook quotes and opinion from InfiniT Technology Group**  
Board staff was asked to gather additional quotes for Dell laptops and Surface Go's.
3. **Quote from Covalent Logic regarding subscribing to applicant/licensee through website**  
The Board reviewed the quote from Covalent Logic where employers or individuals can subscribe to licensed practitioners on our website. After much discussion, the Board chose not to move forward at this time.
4. **Quote from Covalent Logic regarding continuing education**  
**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried to move forward with the continuing education improvements to the Board's Licensing Management System through Covalent Logic, for a total of \$4,700.
5. **Directors and Officers Insurance Quote**  
**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Lucie LeDoux and unanimously carried to obtain Directors and Owners Insurance as per the provided quote from Allsouth Professional Liability, Inc.
6. **Professional Contract for Accounting Services**  
**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried to terminate the professional contract for accounting services with Champagne & Company effective December 31, 2020.  
  
**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Lucie LeDoux and unanimously carried to offer a professional contract for accounting services to Griffin & Furman, LLC for 18 months, beginning January 1, 2021, for a maximum contract amount of \$7,500.00.
7. **Office Lease Renewal**  
Jolie Jones informed the Board that the office Lease has been re-signed for another five years.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW:**

1. **Executive Director Update**  
Jolie Jones reported a change in computer data storage to Direct to Cloud Backup, at the recommendation of the Board's I.T. consultants. Jolie Jones also shared the response from the recent criminal background audit with board members.
2. **LBESPA Processing**  
The Board reviewed data for the period of September 18, 2020 – November 25, 2020. The summary is as follows:
  - Initial applications – 28
  - Upgrade requests – 14
  - Applications approved - 23

- Applications denied - 0
- Upgrades approved - 12
- Online renewals – N/A
- Renewals in the board office – N/A
- Complaints received – 2
- National Data Bank queries – 36

**3. Update on Ethics portion of Exam**

Annette Hurley created a Moodle account and online Moodle open book exam. Annette Hurley and Deanna Hardy will work on the Ethics portion of the exam.

**4. CE Workshop**

Board staff requested quotes from multiple venues to host a continuing education workshop. All venues that were available could not accommodate the Board due to social distancing.

**Motion** was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried not to sponsor a continuing education workshop this year.

**5. CE Flyer Review**

The Board received a comment regarding dyslexia strategies as listed on the continuing education flyer published by the Board. Erica Chatelain, Lucie LeDoux, and Jerrilyn Frasier will form an ad hoc committee to review and discuss further.

The Board will also add “teletherapy as related to hearing aid dispensing” under the Audiology category of the flyer.

**6. Update on LBESPA Board Member Nominations**

Based on information received since the Board’s last meeting, Celeste Parker is qualified to serve as a member of the Board, as she is no longer on the Louisiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (LSHA).

**7. Schedule 2021 Board Meeting Dates**

**Motion** was made by Deanna Hardy, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried to schedule the 2021 board meeting dates on: February 19, April 30, July 30, September 24, and December 3 (New Orleans). All board meetings will be held at the board office in Prairieville unless otherwise noted.

**8. Election for board member positions**

**Motion** was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Lucie LeDoux and unanimously carried to postpone selecting board member positions until the February meeting, in hopes that board members will be appointed or reelected. Abstained – Leigh Anne Baker.

**9. Update on Licensing Compact**

Glenn Waguespack informed board members that the licensing audiology and speech-language pathology compact was successfully passed. Louisiana is the sixth state to participate in the audiology and SLP licensure compact.

**10. Audiology telehealth/remote programming; SLP telehealth**

Board members will consider adding “state that the licensee is delivering services from” for future law/rules revisions for telehealth. Glenn Waguespack will write a letter to NCSB about the concern regarding telehealth to see what other states are dealing with.

**11. Louisiana Clean Slate Law**

Board members reviewed the Louisiana Clean Slate law.

**12. CAA Proposed Changes to Accreditation Standards**

Board members reviewed the CAA proposed changes to accreditation standards.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**1. Email dated November 19, 2020, from Amanda Jean-Pierre, regarding medical clearance for hearing aid fittings**

Best practice recommends that medical clearance is needed. For clarification, please follow the FDA guidelines as they apply to pediatric fittings.

**CONFERENCES:**

**Federation of Association of Regulatory Boards (FARB)**

**1. Update from the FARB Regulatory Law Seminar**

Jolie Jones provided board members with an oral report from the FARB Regulatory Law Seminar.

**2. 2021 FARB Forum, January 27-29, 2021**

Board members reviewed the program for the virtual 2021 FARB Forum. No board members or staff will attend this conference.

**Louisiana Speech-Language-Hearing Association (LSHA)**

**1. Refund from 2020 LSHA Convention Sponsorship**

LSHA refunded LBESPA \$500 from unused funds and reimbursement of misapplied funds used as an honorarium for a LSHA Board of Directors member.

**National Council of State Boards of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (NCSB)**

**1. NCSB Board Election**

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried to vote for Jayme Pultro as President-Elect, and Glenn

Waguespack, Kerrilyn Phillips, Tammy Brown, and Elizabeth Williams to the Board of Directors.

**Council on Licensure, Enforcement & Regulation (CLEAR)**

**1. Winter Symposium, Recognizing Bias and Diversity in the Regulatory Arena, January 5, 2021**

Jolie Jones is scheduled to participate virtually in the CLEAR Winter Symposium on January 5, 2021.

**2. Online National Certified Investigator & Inspector Training (NCIT) Specialized Programming, March 15-29, 2021**

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Annette Hurley and unanimously carried to send Donnie and Katie Kimbell to the Online National Certified Investigator and Inspector Training (NCIT) Specialized Programming, and pay related expenses.

**ENGLISH PROFICIENCY ASSESSMENT**

**1:00 p.m. SURANI NAKKAWITA**

Surani Nakkawita appeared before the board as required by Rule 113.C. for an English Proficiency Assessment for speakers of English as a second language. Erica Chatelain, Speech-Language Pathologist, facilitated the interview via video conference with Ms. Nakkawita.

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Annette Hurley and unanimously carried to issue Surani Nakkawita a Provisional Speech-Language Pathology license once a passing TOEFL score (overall passing, as well as passing for the speaking portion of the exam) is received. The TOEFL exam must be successfully completed within two years.

**COMPLIANCE HEARING:**

**LaToya Roberts 1:30 p.m.**

Ms. Roberts requested and appeared via video conference for a compliance hearing to appeal the Board's decision to deny her application for a Speech-Language Pathology license. The Board denied Ms. Roberts' request to issue her license based on documentation irregularities.

Ms. Roberts provided testimony and appeared with her attorney, Ben Sessions.

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Lucie LeDoux and unanimously carried, to issue LaToya Roberts' a speech-language pathology license and send a letter of concern regarding the names of students listed on the supporting documentation she submitted to the Board.

**Janee Viator 2:00 p.m.**

Ms. Viator requested and appeared via video conference for a compliance hearing to appeal the Board's decision to deny her application to upgrade her Provisional Speech-Language Pathology license. The Board denied Ms. Viator's request to upgrade her license based upon the lack of supervision documentation received.

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Annette Hurley and unanimously carried, to grant a conditional Provisional Speech-Language Pathology license, requiring three months of additional supervision at double the requirement, as well as an open-book exam. Additionally, Ms. Viator must submit a chronological log of each job, supervisor, dates, and corresponding Supervision Form 100s, and copies of calendars/logs within fifteen days. Recused – Leigh Anne Baker.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried, to go into Executive Session at 2:20 p.m. for the following reasons:

to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person, provided that such person is notified in writing at least twenty-four hours before the meeting, and

for investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct or any other matter now provided for or as may be provided for by the legislature.

**Votes** for going into Executive Session: Annette Hurley, yes; Leigh Anne Baker, yes; Jerrilyn Frasier, yes; Lucie LeDoux, yes; Erica Chatelain, yes.

**1. Review of Pending Complaints/Cases**

**a. Complaint #2016-08A**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried, to revoke Mary McVay's speech-language pathology license, license #700, for failure to comply with the Board's Decision dated October 30, 2019. Abstained – Leigh Anne Baker.

**b. Complaint #2018-12**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier, to deny rescinding of the Consent Agreement and Order, signed by all parties.

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Annette Hurley, to approve the following continuing education courses: 264 Ethics Evidence and Clinical Decision Making (3 hours), 257 2020 Coding Payment and Compliance (2 hours), and Role of the SLP in the Healthcare: Triple Aim (1 hour).

**c. Complaint #2020-01**

A motion to continue was granted and this hearing has been continued until Saturday, February 20, 2021.

**d. Complaint #2020-18**

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Annette Hurley and unanimously carried to dismiss complaint #2020-18, based on the speech-language pathology board member consultant's recommendation. Recused – Erica Chatelain.

**e. Complaint 2021-01**

This information was sent to the Better Business Bureau, although the ad is no longer being published.

**f. Complaint 2021-02 and 2021-03**

The Board discussed complaint #2021-02 and #2021-03.

**2. Review of New Complaints/Cases**

**a. Complaint #2021-04**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to send this matter for investigation and work with an outside audiology consultant, as well as to consult with legal counsel about this case. Recused: Jerrilyn Frasier.

**b. Complaint #2021-05**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to not accept the complaint at this time, but to respond that the Board does take this complaint seriously. The Board encourages the complainant to go through due process through the Office of Disability and Academic Affairs at their university. After this matter has gone through due process, the outcome should be reported to the Board, and the Board may consider this further at that time.

**3. Review of Applications**

**a. TE**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Lucie LeDoux and unanimously carried, to grant TE's application for audiology licensure.

**b. SG**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to issue SG's speech-language pathology license.

**c. EB**

**Motion** was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Lucie LeDoux and unanimously carried, to lift the conditions of EB's speech-language pathology Assistant license.

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried, to approve the following applications for **Full or Provisional Speech-Language Pathology and/or Audiology licenses**:

Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type	Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type
Clark	Danita	8730	L-SLP	Koski	Johnathon	8729	L-SLP
Cowley	Camille	8727	PL-SLP	Neff	Laura	8736	L-AUD
Foret	Kylie	8732	PL-SLP	Roberts	Latoya	8738	L-SLP
Harrell	Karleigh	8733	PL-SLP	Williams	Cecily	8726	L-SLP
Hobbs	Lindsay	8728	L-AUD	Wilson	Elizabeth Brooke	8735	L-SLP

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried, to approve the following applications for **Speech-Language Pathology Assistant and/or Provisional Speech-Language Pathology Assistant licenses**:

Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type
Hogue	Kellye	8734	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Michel	Natalie	8737	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Singleton	Shandra'neka	8731	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried, to **upgrade** the following licenses:

Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type	Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type
Anderson	Victoria	8454	L-SLP	O'Quinn	Maggie	8503	L-SLP
Bennett	Devon	8395	L-SLP	Rodgers	Maygan	8515	L-SLP
Blanchard	Catherine	8384	L-SLP	Snyder	Courtney	8358	L-SLP
Glorioso	Taylor	8516	L-SLP	Warnick	Kaitlyn	8356	L-SLP
LeBlanc	Amanda	8432	L-SLP	Williams	Evian	8446	L-SLP

Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type
Battiste	Nakia	8148	SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
McNemar	Hannah	8519	SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
O'Conner	Chiantay	8344	SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT



**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried, to reinstate the following licenses:

Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type	Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type
Broussard	Ashlynn	7401	L-AUD	Miller	Lori	5357	L-SLP
Callahan	Christina	8255	L-AUD	Pizza	Andrea	7056	L-SLP
Graves	Sarah	5981	L-SLP				
Hegwood	Corinne	6775	L-SLP	Smith	Courtney	5319	L-SLP
Jones	Emily	7966	L-SLP	Waters	Adam	7965	L-AUD

**4. Email from Licensee regarding telehealth service provisions**

The Board will send a response thanking this individual for their honesty.

**5. Board Staff Performance Evaluations**

**Motion** was made by Lucie LeDoux, seconded by Annette Hurley, to grant Marcy Ricca a 4% raise based on performance.

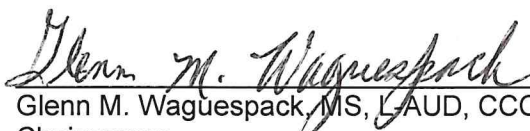
**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Erica Chatelain, to grant Tracy Jeanmarie a 4% raise based on performance, and based on the Louisiana Board of Examiners in Dietetics and Nutrition's approval.

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier, to grant Jolie Jones up to a 5% raise based on performance, and based on the Louisiana Board of Examiners in Dietetics and Nutrition's approval.

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to come out of executive session at 4:10 p.m.

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Lucie LeDoux and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 4:22 p.m.

**MINUTES APPROVED BY:**

  
Glenn M. Waguespack, MS, L-AUD, CCC-A  
Chairperson

  
Deanna Hardy, Public Board Member  
Secretary/Treasurer