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

August 9, 2024

# Attending:

Jerrilyn Frasier Vaughan, L-AUD/SLP, Chairperson Deanna B. Hardy, Public Board Member, Vice Chairperson Courtney Cheek Couvillon, L-SLP, Secretary/Treasurer Annette E. Hurley, L-AUD, Board Member Celeste R. Parker, L-SLP, Board Member Absent:

Erica A. Chatelain, L-SLP, Board Member

### **Board's 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."

The board meeting was called to order and the mission statement was read by Jerrilyn Frasier Vaughan at 8:28 a.m. in the conference room of the Board office, located in Prairieville, Louisiana. Jolie Jones, Executive Director, and James Raines, Legal Counsel, were present for the entirety of the meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Barbara Hunter and Scott Hunter were present, and provided information as relates to Ms. Hunter's application.

#### AGENDA:

**Motion** was made by Celeste Parker, seconded by Annette Hurley and unanimously carried, to adopt the agenda as amended to add 9. Protocols for SLP Assistants to Administrative Review.

### MINUTES:

1. Minutes of May 24, 2024

**Motion** was made by Celeste Parker, seconded by Annette Hurley and unanimously carried, to adopt the minutes of the meeting held May 24, 2024.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW:**

1. Barbara Hunter Application for Reinstatement

Motion was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Celeste Parker and unanimously carried, to grant Barbara Hunter's SLP Assistant license, based on LBESPA Minutes of August 9, 2024 Page 1 of 9

her previous full Speech-Language Pathology licensure and receipt of confirmation from the registrar's office that all hours were met, along with Southern University's Catalog.

# 2. Executive Director Update

Jolie Jones discussed Act 617 regarding notice requirements for public meetings. The Board will start posting board meetings on Facebook.

# 3. Board Operations/LBESPA Processing

The Board reviewed data for the period of May 17, 2024 – August 1, 2024. The summary is as follows:

- Initial applications 101
- Upgrade requests 71
- Applications approved 155
- Applications denied 2
- Upgrades approved 87
- Upgrades denied 0
- Telehealth Registration AUD 1
- Telehealth Registration SLP 1
- Conditional Licenses 0
- English Proficiency Assessment 0
- National Practitioner Data Bank gueries 40
- National Practitioner Data Bank reporting 2
- National Practitioner Data Bank revision to action 0
- Online license renewals 3,716
- Telehealth renewals 15
- Complaints received 4

## 4. IPP Report

Board members reviewed the Impaired Professional's Program Report from Kathie Pohlman.

# 5. Audiology legislation passed in Maryland

Board members discussed legislation that was passed in Maryland recently to change their audiology scope of practice.

# 6. Renewal Date Change Committee Rules Revision Recommendation

This discussion was tabled until the next board meeting.

### 7. CE Discussion

Board members reviewed a multi-disciplinary course submitted by a licensee for audit.

**Motion** was made by Deanna Hardy, seconded by Celeste Parker and unanimously carried, to allow 45 minutes to count in speech-language pathology and 5 related hours.

## 8. SLP Assistant Survey Review from Committee

Board members discussed surveys relating to SLP Assistants and the Board decided to abandon the surveys. Instead, the Board will begin a campaign relating to appropriate signatures for SLP Assistants. Board staff will also ask Kerri Phillips if she can do a supervision course specific to Louisiana supervision through SpeechPathology.com. Board staff will check with Covalent Logic on posting a supervision video on the Board's website.

#### 9. Protocols for SLP Assistants

Board members discussed screenings versus testing as it applies to assistants.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Email dated July 19, 2024 from Vicki Poston Roy, requesting clarification on the scope of practice of Audiologists relating to APD

The Board discussed the email from Ms. Roy regarding the scope of practice of Audiologists relating to auditory processing disorder. The Board will respond with LA R.S. 37:2651(7)(a) "Practice of audiology". The schedule of reimbursement from insurance companies is not under the Board's purview.

### **CONFERENCES:**

**NCSB** (National Council of State Boards of Examiners)

1. 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Workshop and Conference, September 26-28, 2024, San Antonio, Texas

**Motion** was made by Celeste Parker, seconded by Annette Hurley and unanimously carried, to send Jolie Jones to the NCSB Conference.

# COMPLIANCE HEARING(S): 1:00 TAHJ MORRIS

Ms. Morris requested and appeared in person for a compliance hearing to appeal the Board's decision to deny her application for licensure for a provisional speech-language pathology license. The Board denied Ms. Morris' application, based on belief that she may have practiced in the scope of speech-language pathology without a valid license, from July 31, 2022 to the present.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Motion** was made by Celeste Parker, seconded by Annette Hurley and unanimously carried, to go into Executive Session at 1:04 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: Celeste Parker, yes, Annette Hurley, yes; Deanna Hardy, yes; Courtney Cheek Couvillon.

**Motion** was made by Deanna Hardy, seconded by Celeste Parker and unanimously carried to come out of executive session at 1:24 p.m. and make the following motion:

**Motion** was made by Celeste Parker, seconded by Courtney Cheek Couvillon and unanimously carried, to send a letter of education to Ms. Morris and grant Provisional Speech-Language Pathology license.

An administrative complaint will be filed against the two supervisors mentioned in the compliance hearing.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Courtney Cheek Couvillon and unanimously carried, to go into Executive Session at 10:33 a.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; Deanna Hardy, yes; Celeste Parker, yes; Courtney Cheek Couvillon, yes.

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Celeste Parker and unanimously carried, to come out of executive session at 12:50 p.m. and make the following motions:

1. Discussion with legal counsel regarding complaint procedures Motion was made by Celeste Parker, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to adopt a policy that states that the Board interprets 501.C. to mean a board member or former board member that may be utilized as a board member consultant.

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Celeste Parker and unanimously carried, form a complaint committee to include legal counsel, Executive Director, and a board member consultant. The Board will try to use a former board member.

# 2. Review of New Complaint(s)

## a. Complaint #2024-13

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Celeste Parker and unanimously carried, to accept complaint #2024-13, and request a response from Respondent.

## b. Complaint #2024-14

**Motion** was made by Courtney Cheek Couvillon, seconded by Celeste Parker, and unanimously carried, to dismiss Complaint #2024-14, as it is not in the Board's jurisdiction. The Board will respond to the employer and request that they report this information to the police and ask them to provide the necessary information to the victim. Once the information is received, the Board will notify the licensee that we have received information that someone has used their identity.

## c. Complaint #2025-01

**Motion** was made by Courtney Cheek Couvillon, seconded by Celeste Parker, and unanimously carried, to send Complaint #2025-01 to investigation, by requesting a response from Respondent. Recused: Jerrilyn Frasier Vaughan.

## d. Complaint #2025-02

**Motion** was made by Courtney Cheek Couvillon, seconded by Celeste Parker, and unanimously carried, to accept Complaint #2025-02, and request a response from Respondent.

# 3. Review of Pending Complaints

#### a. Complaint #2024-06

**Motion** was made by Deanna Hardy, seconded by Courtney Cheek Couvillon, and unanimously carried, to accept the board member consultant's recommendation to offer Respondent a Consent Agreement and Order for failing to perform a hearing screening within six months prior to fitting a hearing aid. The Consent Agreement and Order will include: open book examination, \$1,000.00 administrative fine, additional 10 hours of continuing education with at least 2 hours in ethics, publication by LBESPA, reporting to ASHA, AAA, LSHA, LAA, and NPDB. Recused: Jerrilyn Frasier Vaughan.

### b. Complaint #2023-08

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Deanna Hardy, and unanimously carried, to accept the continuing education submitted to meet the terms of the Consent Agreement and Order.

## c. Complaint #2024-09

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Deanna Hardy, and unanimously carried, to dismiss Complaint #2024-09, based on board member consultant's recommendation.

## 4. Review of Applications

#### a. AT

**Motion** was made by Courtney Cheek Couvillon, seconded by Celeste Parker and unanimously carried, to grant AT's renewal and send a letter of concern that states that the rules require 16 hours of supervision annually, regardless of part time status.

PRN supervision will be considered at the next Board meeting.

### b. SS

**Motion** was made by Deanna Hardy, seconded by Courtney Cheek Couvillon, and unanimously carried, to grant SS's renewal and accept the supervision submitted.

#### c. GH

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Courtney Cheek Couvillon and unanimously carried, to accept statement submitted.

#### d. ML

**Motion** was made by Deanna Hardy, seconded by Annette Hurley, and unanimously carried, to grant ML's Provisional Speech-Language Pathology license.

#### e. JR

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Deanna Hardy, and unanimously carried, to lift conditions and grant upgrade of JR's Provisional Speech-Language Pathology Assistant license.

#### f. ER

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Celeste Parker, and unanimously carried, to lift the conditions on ER's Speech-Language Pathology Assistant license.

**Motion** was made by Deanna Hardy, seconded by Celeste Parker 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.	<u>Type</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	First Name	License No.	<u>Type</u>
Alexander	Taylor	9686	L-SLP	Houston	Moriah	9616	PL-SLP
Andrews	Jennifer	9704	L-SLP	Howerton	Mary	9610	PL-SLP
Armentor	Samantha	9606	PL-SLP	Huval	Thomas	9705	PL-SLP
Arnoult	Jennifer	9691	L-AUD	Johnson	Zambrian	9552	PL-SLP
Baumer	Mary	9605	PL-SLP	Johnson	Noel	9703	PL-SLP
Beasley	Jacklynn	9651	PL-SLP	Jolly	James	9673	L-AUD
Berthelot	Jayden	9682	PL-SLP	Jones	Brooke	9676	PL-SLP
Blocker	Ashley	8086	PL-SLP	Kimble	Alesce	8720	PL-SLP
Blundell	Madeline	9638	PL-SLP	Landry	Maddie	9716	PL-SLP

Boudreaux	Morgan	9683	PL-SLP	Landry	Molly	9667	PL-SLP
Bourdier	Hester	9641	PL-SLP	Latigue	Deborah	9688	PL-SLP
Breaux	Cori	9661	L-SLP	Leblanc	Jena	9698	PL-SLP
Breaux	Shelby	9620	PL-SLP	Lebouef	Lindsey	9679	L-SLP
Brittain	Ann Marie	8891	PL-SLP	Lemoine	Grace	9655	PL-SLP
Busher	Elizabeth	9663	L-AUD	Lins	Jordan	9694	L-SLP
Callerame	Chloe	9680	PL-SLP	Martin	Kayla	8440	PL-SLP
Campos	Elizabeth	9702	PL-SLP	Martinez	Ana Maria	9711	PL-SLP
Carroll	Courtney	9550	PL-SLP	Massey	Allie	9712	PL-SLP
Carruth	Madyson	9665	PL-SLP	Mayo	Kacie	9707	L-SLP
Casarrubias	Lizeth	9689	L-SLP	McCarthy	Kathleen	9708	L-SLP
Caughman	Anna	9644	PL-SLP	McMahon	Morgan	9713	L-AUD
Chaisson	Shaana	9632	L-SLP	Monlyn	Kayla	8939	PL-SLP
Chaney	Kylie	9619	PL-SLP	Monteleone	Madeline	9623	PL-SLP
Chauvin	Bethany	9633	PL-SLP	Moreau	Lillian	9630	PL-SLP
Cicero	Kamryn	9693	PL-SLP	Morgan	Angela	9626	PL-SLP
Clayton	Caroline	9627	L-AUD	Morris	Tahj	9720	PL-SLP
Collura	Haley	9710	PL-SLP	Moynihan	Jacquelyn	9696	L-SLP
Comeaux	Emily	9674	PL-SLP	Otwell	Abigail	9639	PL-SLP
Comeaux	Hannah	9612	PL-SLP	Owens	Erin	8253	PL-SLP
Cook	Taylor	9685	L-SLP	Penkoff	Jessie-anne	9700	L-AUD
Cooper	Destiny	9608	PL-SLP	Perrot	Kathleen	9684	PL-SLP
Cormier	Amber	9607	PL-SLP	Picard	Kennedy	9669	PL-SLP
Crockett	Ashley	9706	L-SLP	Pierce	Sarah	9650	PL-SLP
Dart	Martha	9695	L-SLP	Pineda	Katya	9609	PL-SLP
Davis	Lauren	9690	PL-SLP	Pizzolato	Alexa	9611	PL-SLP
Deshotel	Rachel	9645	L-AUD	Priola	Caprielle	9643	PL-SLP
Deville	Bailee	9671	PL-SLP	Richardson	Brandee	9681	L-AUD
Dicharia	Juliette	9662	PL-SLP	Rikard	Adrianna	9642	L-SLP
Dietrich	Virginia	9628	PL-SLP	Romero	Kaitlyn	9637	PL-SLP
Dupree	Destinee	9666	PL-SLP	Samaha	Abby	9613	PL-SLP
Estis	Morgan	9625	PL-SLP	Savoie	Hila	7872	PL-SLP
Falcon	Sara	9615	PL-SLP	Schott	Alyce	9668	L-AUD
Fleury	Shore	9414	PL-SLP	Scott	Jasmine	7546	PL-SLP
Folse	Morgan	9649	PL-SLP	Shaw	Mary Claire	9701	L-SLP
Fream	Sarah	9617	PL-SLP	Shepherd	Blayne	9618	PL-SLP
Gaines	Evelyn	9604	PL-SLP	Sullivan	Kaitlin	9653	L-AUD
Gatewood	Claire	9675	PL-SLP	Tedesco	Marcella	9646	PL-SLP
Gauthreaux	Emily	9622	PL-SLP	Thibodeaux	Emma	9446	PL-SLP
Glaspie	Alana	9636	PL-SLP	Thomas	Kaitlyn	9647	PL-SLP
Godbery	Casey	9714	PL-SLP	Venable	Mallary	9648	PL-SLP
Gondolfi	Summer	9709	PL-SLP	Verret	Helen	9659	PL-SLP
Gordon	Olivia	9656	PL-SLP	Villagomez	Jamie	9629	PL-SLP
Gray	Molly	9677	PL-SLP	Watts	Kylie	9687	PL-SLP
Guillot	Alayna	9621	PL-SLP	Whitaker	Caroline	9640	PL-SLP
Guthrie	Natosha	9692	L-SLP	Wilkins	Kady	9670	PL-SLP
Haik	Caitlin	9652	PL-SLP	Williams	Kristin	7436	PL-SLP
Hebert	Lexie	9635	PL-SLP	Zimmermann	Caroline	9631	PL-SLP
Hemphill	Kelli	9654	PL-SLP				
Hill	Ellison	9660	PL-SLP				
Hinkel	Maci	9664	L-AUD				
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Motion was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Celeste Parker 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.	<u>Type</u>
Blanchard	Allison	9614	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Cage	Trelysia	9672	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Delukie	Whitlie	9405	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Jackson	Ashley	9624	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Jefferson	Chandra	9697	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Lewis	Torionne	9678	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Lyons	Mayci	9699	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Mckenzie	Kristin	9658	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Pitcher	Danielle	9657	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT

Motion was made by Courtney Cheek Couvillon, seconded by Celeste Parker and unanimously carried, to upgrade the following licenses:

<u>Last Name</u>	First Name	License No.	Type	Last Name	First Name	License No.	<u>Type</u>
Arseneault	Aleah	9430	L-SLP	Lauve	Gabrielle	9411	L-SLP
Baker	Katelyn	9445	L-SLP	LeBlanc	Kristine	9300	L-SLP
Barreto	Julieta	9178	L-SLP	Lemoine	Caitlin	9408	L-SLP
Beard	Alayna	9286	L-SLP	Levi	Gianni	9415	L-SLP
Beilke	Piper	9466	L-SLP	Loetzerich	Emma	9362	L-SLP
Bencaz	Karson	8239	L-SLP	Loup	Megan	9474	L-SLP
Bickford	Denni	9168	L-SLP	Madden	Kaleigh	9291	L-SLP
Boquet	Cassie	9425	L-SLP	Madere	Peyton	9093	L-SLP
Cantrell	Madison	9322	L-SLP	Magee	Shayla	9409	L-SLP
Charrier	Faith	9453	L-SLP	Matt	Shelby	9382	L-SLP
Che	Taylore	8064	L-SLP	Mayeaux	Nataly	9380	L-SLP
Chehardy	Madeline	9305	L-SLP	Mayo	Katherine	9356	L-SLP
Crouch	Valerie	9008	L-SLP	McMahan	Riley	9366	L-SLP
Crowe	Mallory	9345	L-SLP	Mendoza	Cassandra	9200	L-SLP
Daigle	Sera	9310	L-SLP	Morgan	Hayley	9292	L-SLP
Davis	Kallie	9346	L-SLP	Nash	Danelle	9464	L-SLP
Dawoud	Malak	9416	L-SLP	Patterson	Abby	9295	L-SLP
Dixon	Brittany	9370	L-SLP	Pauley	Kriston	8773	L-SLP
Dunn	Taylor	9324	L-SLP	Ponson	Nia	9442	L-SLP
Floyd	Macy	9361	L-SLP	Riedl	Allyson	9397	L-SLP
Fontenot	Sarah W	9435	L-SLP	Sadberry	Shamir	9375	L-SLP
Fry	Jessie	9456	L-SLP	Salter	Larkin	9296	L-SLP
Gatewood	Claire	9675	L-SLP	Sanchez	Cassandra	7266	L-SLP
Giovingo	Abigail	9360	L-SLP	Seals	Courtney	9393	L-SLP
Giroir	Simone	9282	L-SLP	Sevin	Sophie	9293	L-SLP
Gonsoulin	Claire	9222	L-SLP	Sledge	Amelia	9260	L-SLP
Guillory	Natalie	8323	L-SLP	Spearman	Kayla	9460	L-SLP
Houston	Kandace	7594	L-SLP	Stuart	Catherine	9371	L-SLP
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Hyman	Emily	9179	L-SLP	Thames	Kylee	9276	L-SLP
Jennings	Bailey	9297	L-SLP	Toups	Tomi	9427	L-SLP
Johnson	Carli	9321	L-SLP	Trahan	Emily	9269	L-SLP
Kibler	Abigail	9468	L-SLP	Tufaro	Kaylee	9363	L-SLP
Kretz	Cassandra	9434	L-SLP	Van Hoose	Savannah	9449	L-SLP
Laiche	Ali	9344	L-SLP	Williams	Amari	9364	L-SLP
Landry	Chele	9379	L-SLP	Williams	Nadia	9311	L-SLP
Langlinais	Kylie	9314	L-SLP				
Last Name	First Name	License No.	<u>Type</u>				
Chaney	Jalaysia	9368	SPEECH-LAN	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		
Klein-Vidrine	Samantha	9369	SPEECH-LAN	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		
Liendo	Melody	9355	SPEECH-LAN	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		
Lowentritt	Olivia	9419	SPEECH-LAN	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		
Mcalister	Kennedy	9275	SPEECH-LAN	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		
Moran	April	9022	SPEECH-LAN	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		

**Motion** was made by Celeste Parker, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to <u>reinstate</u> the following licenses:

Last Name	First Name	License No.	<u>Type</u>	Last Name	First Name	License No.	<u>Type</u>
Babington	Andrea	7475	L-SLP	Jacobs	Tiffany	5040	L-SLP
Brumley	Emily	8187	L-SLP	Malsam	Brooke	8376	L-SLP,
Daigre	Melissa	3958	L-SLP	Sabir	Vanessa	2556	L-SLP
Dickinson	Julie	4406	L-SLP	Smith	Kristen	5742	L-SLP
Fisher	Darcy	4789	L-SLP				
<u>Last Name</u>	First Name	<u>License No.</u>	<u>Type</u>				
Braud	Kimberly	4297	PROVISION	AL SPEECH-LANGU	AGE PATHOLOGY A	ASSISTANT	
Dellsperger	Harley	8790	PROVISION	AL SPEECH-LANGU	AGE PATHOLOGY A	ASSISTANT	
Guillot	Renee	6483	SPEECH-LAN	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		
Hunter	Barbara	1155	SPEECH-LA	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		
Watkins	Lisette	4286	SPEECH-LAN	NGUAGE PATHOLO	GY ASSISTANT		

**Motion** was made by Annette Hurley, seconded by Courtney Cheek Couvillon and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 1:26 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED BY:

Jerrilyn Frasier Vaughan, Au.D./L-AUD/SLP Chairperson

Courtney Cheek Couvillon, L-SEP Secretary/Treasurer