

Louisiana Board of Examiners for
Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

November 8, 2014

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Attending:

Glenn M. Waguespack, L-AUD, Chairperson
Kerrilyn R. Phillips, L-SLP, Vice Chairperson
Dawn B. Richard, L-SLP, Secretary/Treasurer
Stephen J. Harris, L-SLP/AUD, Board Member

Absent:

Laura H. Gresham, Public Member
Anita Jeyakumar, Medical Advisor
Vacant, Board Member

The meeting was called to order by Glenn Waguespack at 8:40 a.m. in the Evangeline A room of the Hilton Garden Inn located at 2350 W Congress Street, Lafayette, Louisiana. Jolie Jones, Executive Director was present for the entirety of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No one was available to provide public comment.

AGENDA:

Motion was made by Steve Harris, seconded by Dawn Richard and unanimously carried, to adopt the agenda as presented.

REVIEW LAW:

The Board reviewed the Practice Act and discussed necessary changes. Major changes include creation of an Audiology Assistant license, changes to the "Practice of audiology" and "Practice of speech-language pathology" definitions, clause added regarding unlicensed practice, and registration for telepractice.

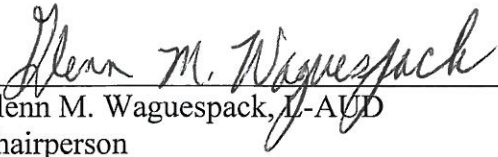
The Board also reviewed a request from an audiologist to consider prohibition of the use of the term "audioprosthologist". The term "audioprosthologist" is a term owned by a granting agency, and LBESPA and other health care agencies do not have the right to prohibit its use by qualified individuals. Therefore, although the request from the audiologist was considered, it was not possible to include a prohibition against use of the term.

The Board would like to ask our Medical Advisor about cerumen management at the next meeting.


The Board also decided to no longer issue silver seals for hearing aid dispensing at the time of renewal.

Motion was made by Kerrilyn Phillips, seconded by Steve Harris and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED BY:



Glenn M. Waguespack, L-AUD
Chairperson



Dawn Richard, L-SLP
Secretary/Treasurer