

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

**February 10, 2017**

**Attending:**

**Stephen J. Harris, L-AUD/SLP, Chairperson  
Daphne Washington, L-SLP, Vice Chairperson  
Tammy Crawford, L-SLP, Secretary/Treasurer  
Deanna Hardy, Public Board Member  
Theresa H. Rodgers, L-SLP, Board Member  
Glenn M. Waguespack, L-AUD/H.A. Dispensing, Board Member  
Vacant, Medical Advisor**

The meeting was called to order by Stephen Harris at 8:30 a.m. in the conference room at the board office located at 37283 Swamp Road, Suite 3B, Prairieville, Louisiana. Jolie Jones, Executive Director, was present for the entirety of the meeting. Ayn Stehr, the board's legal counsel was present for a portion of the meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No one was present to provide public comment.

**AGENDA:**

**Motion** was made by Daphne Washington, seconded by Theresa Rodgers and unanimously carried, to adopt the agenda as amended to add "6. Update on SCR 65 Task Force Meeting" to Administrative Review, as well as "1. Email dated February 9, 2017 from Jessica Heid" to Correspondence.

**FINANCIALS:**

**1. Financial Statements for July 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016**

Board members were provided a copy of the Financial Statements prepared by Susan Sevario, CPA, for July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

**2. Professional Contracts 2017-2018**

**Motion** was made by Tammy Crawford, seconded by Daphne Washington and unanimously carried, to renew the contract with the Department of Justice at \$175.00 per hour for a maximum contract amount of \$15,000.00.

**Motion** was made by Daphne Washington, seconded by Tammy Crawford and unanimously carried, to renew the contract with Ayn Stehr at \$175.00 per hour for a maximum contract amount of \$20,000.00. The contract will be written as \$15,000.00, and can be amended up to \$20,000.00 if necessary.

**Motion** was made by Theresa Rodgers, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to renew the contract with Statewide Surveillance and Investigations, LLC at \$50.00 per hour plus expenses at the state-approved rate for a maximum contract amount of \$10,000.00.

**Motion** was made by Theresa Rodgers, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to renew the contract with Susan Sevario, CPA, at a rate of \$200.00 per month for a maximum contract amount of \$2,400.00.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Motion** was made by Glenn Waguespack, seconded by Daphne Washington and unanimously carried, to go in to Executive Session at 9:00 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: Glenn Waguespack, yes; Daphne Washington, yes; Tammy Crawford, yes; Theresa Rodgers, yes; Deanna Hardy, yes.

**Motion** was made by Theresa Rodgers, seconded by Daphne Washington and unanimously carried, to come out of Executive Session at 10:43 a.m. to take the following actions:

**1. Review of Pending Complaints**

**a. #2015-04**

Respondent signed the Consent Agreement and Order that the Board offered, was issued a speech-language pathology license and immediately suspended, as per the terms of the Consent Agreement and Order.

**b. #2015-05**

Board members reviewed the *Final Decision* from the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA) Board of Ethics.

**c. #2016-02**

**Motion** was made by Daphne Washington, seconded by Tammy Crawford and unanimously carried, to release Respondent from the terms of the Consent Agreement and Order due to successful completion.

**d. #2016-08**

**Motion** was made by Tammy Crawford, seconded by Daphne Washington and unanimously carried, to set this matter as a combined hearing on a date to be determined.

**e. #2016-09**

Board members reviewed the monthly logs and screenings submitted.

**f. #2017-03**

**Motion** was made by Daphne Washington, seconded by Tammy Crawford and unanimously carried, to accept the 1,000 word narrative submitted and release respondent from the terms of the Consent Agreement and Order, due to successful completion.

**g. #2017-05**

**Motion** was made by Glenn Waguespack, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to send a letter to the Superintendent, Director of Special Education, and the Department Head of Assistive Technology of Calcasieu Parish Schools. The letter should include points of clarification and request that the information be disseminated to speech-language pathologists at the next staff meeting. Training will also be offered.

**h. #2016-05**

This matter has been set for hearing on April 29, 2017. Daphne Washington was included as a hearing panel member in the hearing notice, but she will need to be recused.

**i. #2016-07**

This matter has been set for hearing on April 1, 2017.

**2. Receipt of New Complaints**

**a. #2017-07**

**Motion** was made by Theresa Rodgers, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to refer for investigation and contract with an Audiology consultant for this case.

**3. Administrative Issue**

Information was anonymously provided regarding the arrest of a Speech-Language Pathologist. Board staff will ensure that this individual indicates the arrest on her renewal form this year.

**4. Executive Director Annual Review**

**Motion** was made by Theresa Rodgers, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to grant Jolie Jones a 3.50% annual raise based on the discussion between LBESPA and the Louisiana Board of Examiners in Dietetics and Nutrition’s vice chairpersons’ discussion to approve a rate in the middle of the proposed range.

Theresa Rodgers recommended several minor changes to be made to future Consent Agreement and Order documents.

**5. Review of Applications**

**Motion** was made by Deanna Hardy, seconded by Daphne Washington and unanimously carried, to approve the following applications for **Full or Provisional Speech-Language Pathology and/or Audiology licenses**:

Fiore, Rachel	7776	L-SLP	Richard, Karen	7777	L-SLP
Murphy, Emily	7780	PL-SLP	Johnson, Claire	7778	L-AUD H.A. DISP
Derouen, Sarah	7783	L-SLP	Gentile, Christian	7779	L-AUD H.A. DISP
Rzucidlo, Jessica	7782	L-SLP	Harrison, Allison	7784	PL-SLP
Blackburn, William	7785	PL-SLP	Freeland, Katelyn	7786	PL-SLP

Purvis, Katelyn	7787	PL-SLP	Lockhart, Shelbie	7789	PL-SLP
Breaux, Beth	7790	PL-SLP	Pickett, Courtney	7791	PL-SLP
Moore, Ashley	7793	PL-SLP	Trapani, Brienne	7794	PL-SLP
Katsannias, Heather	7795	L-SLP	Duos, Brad	7796	PL-SLP
Woodrum, Lauren	7799	L-SLP	Harbour, Courtney	7800	L-SLP
Stanley, Elizabeth	7801	L-SLP	Johnson, Kelly	7802	L-SLP
Fontenot, Kara	7803	L-SLP	Wagner, Michelle	4956	L-SLP
Collinsworth, Cricket	7707	PL-SLP	Smith, Kirsten	7054	PL-SLP

**Motion** was made by Theresa Rodgers, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to approve the following applications for **Speech-Language Pathology Assistant and Provisional Speech-Language Pathology Assistant** licenses:

Roach, Victoria 7781 Provisional SLP Assistant    Kendrick, Lillian 7797 SLP Assistant  
 Klein, Maggie 7788 Provisional SLP Assistant    Kennedy, Rena 7798 SLP Assistant  
 Greer, Sarah 7792 Provisional SLP Assistant  
 Pierce, Emily 7804 Provisional SLP Assistant  
 Roberson, Neisha 7805 Provisional SLP Assistant

**Motion** was made by Daphne Washington, seconded by Theresa Rodgers and unanimously carried, to **upgrade** the following licenses:

Seidel, Christy	7513	L-SLP	Falk, Doug	7461	L-SLP
Bezold, Madeline	7482	L-SLP	Jones, Sydney	7522	L-SLP
Roussell, Brett	7501	L-SLP	Bleecher, Katherine	7399	L-SLP
Caldwell, Quanetta	7102	SLP Assistant	Daykin, Angela	7735	L-SLP
Beitzel, Jessica	7525	L-SLP	Gristina, Katherine	7065	L-SLP
Futch, Brooke	7532	L-SLP	McAlpin, Tailyr	7306	L-SLP
Tyler, Lori	7524	L-SLP	Thomas, Michelle	7421	L-SLP
Kampen, Katherine	7518	L-SLP	Kuecker, Karrie	7519	L-SLP
Weimer, Brittany	7533	L-SLP	Sentilles, Margaret	7527	L-SLP

**Motion** was made by Daphne Washington, seconded by Tammy Crawford and unanimously carried, to **reinstate** the following licenses:

Loftin, Cynthia	3074	L-SLP	Guitreau, Elizabeth	7106	L-SLP
Pryor, Peggy	3809	L-SLP	Corales, Tracie	3895	L-SLP

**UPDATE ON LAW REVISIONS FOR 2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION:**

Ayn Stehr discussed the proposed law revisions with the board members. Senator Dan Claitor has already committed to sponsoring the maximum of five non-fiscal bills and cannot sponsor LBESPA's bill as he did during the 2016 session. Other possible bill sponsors were discussed.

## **MINUTES:**

**Motion** was made by Glenn Waguespack, seconded by Tammy Crawford and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes of the meeting held December 2, 2016, as presented.

Motion was made by Daphne Washington, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to excuse Theresa Rodgers from the December 2, 2016 board meeting due to medical issues.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW:**

### **1. Executive Director Update**

Jolie Jones provided the board with an update on the Medical Advisor position, the investigator contract has been amended, and the contract with the Department of Justice has been approved.

### **2. LBESPA Processing**

Board members reviewed a report indicating that 45 initial applications and 22 upgrade requests have been received since December 2, 2016. No applications were denied and 2 required additional information.

One complaint was received since the December 2, 2016 board meeting.

### **3. Update on Annual School Report**

Orleans and Plaquemines Parishes have not responded to the 2016 Annual School Report.

### **4. Sub-Committee Updates**

Theresa Rodgers provided the board with copies of her recommended changes to the Speech-Language Pathology Assistant application. Jolie Jones will get Theresa a copy of the full SLP Assistant online application through the development site.

Daphne Washington provided the board with copies of her recommended Application for Telehealth Registration.

Board members requested that board staff query a couple of new applicants through the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) to ascertain information about the process.

Future rule change: 109.K. change the application date to the date it is received in the board office.

### **5. CE Opportunities**

Board members reviewed a notice regarding free continuing education offerings by ASHA. This information will be added to the board's website.

### **6. Update on SCR 65 Task Force Meeting**

Board members reviewed the final report from the SCR 65 Task Force that has been submitted to the legislature.

## **CONFERENCES:**

### **Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards (FARB)**

1. Report from 41<sup>st</sup> Annual FARB Forum, January 26-29, 2017, San Antonio, TX  
Deanna Hardy presented a written and oral report regarding her attendance at the FARB Forum.

### **Speech Pathologists and Audiologists in Louisiana Schools (SPALS)**

1. Request for CE sponsorship  
**Motion** was made by Theresa Rodgers, seconded by Daphne Washington and unanimously carried, to provide \$3000 to sponsor a speaker for the 2017 SPALS Conference.

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

1. CLEAR NCIT Basic and Specialized Program, Austin, TX  
**Motion** was made by Theresa Rodgers, seconded by Tammy Crawford and unanimously carried, to send Tony McCoy of Statewide Surveillance and Investigations to the CLEAR NCIT Training and pay related expenses.

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

1. ASHA Connect Conference  
LSHA's Annual Conference will be combined with ASHA's Connect Conference this year. Steve Harris will contact LSHA to inquire about being included on the program.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**


1. **Email dated February 9, 2017 from Jessica Heid regarding clinical doctorate of Audiology program**

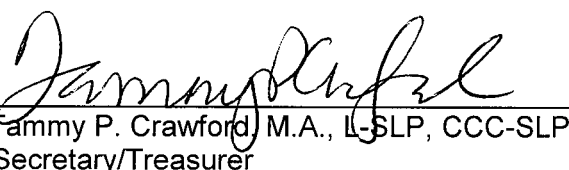
Board members reviewed an email from Jessica Heid regarding clinical doctorate of Audiology program; however, the board does not have jurisdiction. The university would have to set up a contract.

2. **Email dated February 9, 2017 from Abby McDonald regarding coding**  
Theresa Rodgers will verify the information and provide to Jolie Jones.

**Motion** was made by Daphne Washington, seconded by Deanna Hardy and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

## **MINUTES APPROVED BY:**

  
Stephen J. Harris, MA, CCC-A, L-AUD/SLP  
Chairperson

  
Tammy P. Crawford, M.A., L-SLP, CCC-SLP  
Secretary/Treasurer