Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

April 29, 2022

Attending:

Annette E. Hurley, L-AUD, Chairperson Erica A. Chatelain, L-SLP, Vice Chairperson Jerrilyn Frasier, L-AUD/SLP, Board Member Glenn M. Waguespack, L-AUD, Board Member Absent:

Deanna B. Hardy, Secretary/Treasurer, Public Board Member Lucie LeDoux, L-AUD/SLP, Board Member Daphne Washington, L-SLP, Board Member

The meeting was called to order and the mission statement was read by Annette Hurley at 8:30 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Board office located at 37283 Swamp Road, Suite 3B, Prairieville, Louisiana. Jolie Jones, Executive Director, was present for the entirety of the meeting. Deanna Hardy, Lucie LeDoux, and Daphne Washington were excused from this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No member of the public was present to provide public comments.

AGENDA:

Motion was made by Jerrilyn Frasier, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to accept the agenda as amended to add LAA Cerumen Management Workshop to Conferences, as well as adding #10 New vs. used hearing aids to Administrative Review.

MINUTES:

1. Minutes of February 4, 2022

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to adopt the minutes of the meeting held February 4, 2022.

FINANCIALS:

1. Financial Statements for the months ended December 31, 2021 - February 28, 2022

Board members were provided a copy of the Financial Statements prepared by Griffin and Furman, for the months ended February 28, 2022.

Board staff will discuss with CPA about having a specific line item on the monthly financials relating to dedicated funds.

2. Healthcare Professionals Program/IPP

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to contract with Kathie Pohlman for an Impaired Professionals Program, as per the Monitoring Proposal submitted, and according to the delegated contracting authority issued by the Office of State Procurement as per Policy and Procedures Memoranda PPM-56.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW:

1. Executive Director Update

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to adopt the Civil Service Telework Policy presented.

Jolie Jones discussed with the Board that the Legislative Auditor's office is in the process of selecting a new auditor to complete last year and this year's audit. Ms. Jones provided the Board with a copy of The Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana article about virtual meetings and also informed the Board that we have a delegated purchasing authority of \$2,000.00 and contracts delegated purchasing authority for \$5,000.00, which will be added to the Board's Policy Manual, as per Policy and Procedures Memoranda PPM-56.

2. LBESPA Processing

The Board reviewed data for the period of January 27, 2022 – April 22, 2022. The summary is as follows:

- Initial applications 50
- Upgrade requests 43
- Applications approved 27
- Applications denied 0
- Upgrades approved 31
- Upgrades denied 0
- Telehealth Registration AUD 0
- Telehealth Registration SLP 4
- Conditional Licenses 0
- Online license renewals 159
- Telehealth renewals 1
- Complaints received 1
- National Practitioner Data Bank queries 41

3. Update on LBESPA Open Book Exam

Lucie LeDoux prepared the LBESPA Open Book Exam through Google Forms. Board staff will incorporate all questions online and begin using the online exam.

- 4. Proposed Ad for Better Hearing and Speech Month
 - Jerrilyn Frasier will consult with a marketing company to design an ad for Better Hearing and Speech Month to be placed on Facebook.
- 5. Clinical Practicum Hours Reference Information create policy
 Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and
 unanimously carried to adopt the following clinical practicum hour reference
 information.
 - 375 hours are obtained through supervised clinical practicum.
 - 325 of these hours must be earned while the student enrolled in a graduate program.
 - The graduate program may count up to 50 hours of supervised clinical practicum that were completed within the undergraduate program. Programs may count hours earned during an SLPA preparatory program as part of the permitted undergraduate hours if the activities were within the scope of practice of an SLP and were supervised in accordance with the standards. Experience outside of a preparatory program may not be used.
 - Up to 75 hours may be obtained through clinical simulation (CS) activities. Programs have the authority to determine how best to debrief students and determine what documentation is required. Watching videos and reporting on what is seen is a great learning activity and may be used as guided observation; however, since the student does not directly interact with the client/patient, it cannot be considered a "task trainer" or an interactive computer-based simulations, and it cannot be used as a simulated clinical practicum activity.
 - A minimum of 250 hours of supervised clinical practicum within the graduate program are required in instances where the graduate student earns 75 hours through CS, 50 hours during undergraduate clinical practicum, and 25 hours through guided observation. These remaining 250 hours must be obtained through direct clinical contact with clients/patient.

From January 1 – December 31, 2022, * telepractice and telesupervision may be used to obtain up to 50% of the required supervised clinical practicum. At least 50% of the clinical practicum must be obtained via onsite and in-person service delivery. The following activities may be included as part of the direct clinical practicum hours:

- Evaluations and screenings
 - informal
 - formal
 - parent/caregiver history/interviews
 - explaining evaluation results to parents/caregivers/clients/patients
- Treatment
 - must be synchronous
 - individual or group
- Counseling with caregivers and family

- "wrap-up sessions"
- advising, training, and providing education
- demonstrating skills to caregivers
- demonstrating to families how to program AAC devices
- Activities such as planning, paperwork, and asynchronous therapy cannot be counted. However, time spent in meetings with the patient/family present, when the student is actively reporting evaluation results, treatment plans, progress, etc., can be counted since that is considered advising, educating, and training caregivers and family.
- 6. Update from Ad Hoc Committee on Application Review Process
 Board members reviewed and accepted recommendations from the Ad Hoc
 Committee for application checklists to create consistency in reviewing
 applications and upgrades.
- 7. Update from Annette's Committee re: Video about Licensure
 Annette Hurley reported that she is working on a script for the video. She is
 planning for a 10-15-minute video on the steps for licensure with 2-3 actors that
 will be posted on the Board's website and sent to university programs. Jolie
 Jones will request quotes from videographers.
- 8. Update on Board Member Nominations
 Jolie Jones informed the Board that six names were submitted for nominations to fill the two speech-language pathology board member positions. All qualified nominees were submitted to the Governor for consideration.
- Update on 2022 Louisiana Regular Legislative Session
 Board members reviewed an updated Legislative tracking sheet prepared by Jolie Jones, along with the pertinent bills.
- 10. New vs. Used Hearing Aids

Board members discussed what is considered new hearing aids. The Rules do not define "new", only that the Bill of Sale must state whether the hearing aids are new, used or reconditioned.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Email dated February 15, 2022 from Maria Laskey requesting refund of application fee

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to grant an application refund for Maria Laskey as requested, due to military status.

2. Email dated March 25, 2022 from Lillian Stiegler re: response from ABA Board Attorney

Board members reviewed Dr. Stiegler's letter and indicated that as complaints are filed, the Board will consider on a case by case basis, based on the nature of the complaint.

3. Email dated March 15, 2022 from Katie Sample with specific questions regarding SLP Assistants

Board members reviewed Ms. Sample's email regarding SLP Assistants. The Board recommended that Ms. Sample refer to the Rules and Regulations, specifically Rule 121 entitled Duties: SLP Assistant License and Provisional SLP Assistant License.

4. Email dated March 18, 2022 from Chelsea Bou regarding providing learning materials to parents across state lines

Board members indicated that they do not have any concerns with the scenario presented in Ms. Bou's letter.

5. Email dated April 20, 2022 from Tina Gunaldo regarding the Board's interpretation of interprofessional education (IPE) specific to engagement with the community

The Board does not have jurisdiction over students, as they are unlicensed. Information that is included in the student program, is specific to that program.

CONFERENCES:

The Atkinson Firm (TAF)

1. The Regulatory Academy Workshop Plans

Board members picked several date options for The Regulatory Academy Workshop to be held in Baton Rouge in 2023, which are as follows: March 10, 24, or February 10. Depending on the number of participants, the Board will charge \$200-\$250 for registration.

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to keep moving forward in the planning of The Regulatory Academy Workshop.

Louisiana Academy of Audiology (LAA)

1. Cerumen Management Workshop

Audiology board members received an invitation to the Cerumen Management Workshop being sponsored by the Louisiana Academy of Audiology (LAA). Given that cerumen management is not specifically listed in the audiology scope of practice, board members discussed concerns. LBESPA requested that a

disclosure statement regarding cerumen management and the scope of practice be included at the beginning of the workshop.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to go into Executive Session at 11:15 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: Erica Chatelain, yes; Glenn Waguespack, yes; Jerrilyn Frasier, yes.

Motion was made by Jerrilyn Frasier, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried to come out of executive session at 11:53 a.m. and make the following motions:

1. Review of Pending Complaints/Cases

a. Complaint #2016-08A

Motion was made by Jerrilyn Frasier, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to refer this debt to the Office of Debt Recovery and notify Respondent.

b. Complaint #2018-05

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to deny Respondent's request to remove disciplinary action from her license, as all disciplinary actions are considered final actions of the Board and are posted as a matter of consumer protection.

2. Review of New Complaints

a. Complaint #2022-07

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried, to not accept Complaint #2022-07 and instead refer to the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board. The Board will send a response to complainant recommending that this be reported to proper law enforcement authorities.

3. Review of Applications

a. MC

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried to grant MC's Audiology license.

b. NP

Motion was made by Jerrilyn Frasier, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried to grant NP's Provisional Speech-Language Pathology Assistant license.

c. AF

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried to grant AF's Speech-Language Pathology license.

d. JP

Motion was made by Jerrilyn Frasier, seconded by Erica Chatelain and unanimously carried to grant JP's Speech-Language Pathology license, based on receipt of pending documentation.

e. CT

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier and unanimously carried to grant reinstatement of CT's Restricted Speech-Language Pathology license.

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Jerrilyn Frasier 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.	Туре	Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type
Baughman	Camilla	9033	L-SLP	Murry	Kaley	9046	L-AUD
Beau	Allison	9040	PL-SLP	Pugh	Tabitha	9028	L-SLP
Dodd	Logan	9030	L-SLP	Reeg	Hannah	9047	L-AUD
Feldmann	Anna	9043	L-SLP	Rengifo-Caicedo	Fernando	9027	L-SLP
Ferrell	Jessica	9029	L-SLP	St. Pierre	Dara	9042	PL-SLP
Hickey	Lauren	9034	L-SLP	Vickerson	Nancy	9038	L-AUD
Javaherian	Rachael	9026	PL-SLP	Walker	Nicole	9045	L-SLP
Jones	Stanton	9037	L-AUD	Warner	Kelli	9032	L-AUD
Leno	Kelly	9031	L-AUD	Zaccaria	Brenna	9039	L-SLP
Mosier	Elizabeth	9041	L-AUD				

Motion was made by Jerrilyn Frasier, seconded by Glenn Waguespack 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.	Туре
Brian	Anne-elise	8740	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Cupples	Emily	9036	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Morris	Ashley	8785	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Parker	Naomi	9044	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Payton	Jordan	9035	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Williams	Eboni	8300	PROVISIONAL SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT

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

Last Name	First Name	License No.	Туре	Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type
Alford	Katelyn	8848	L-SLP	Marshall	Kristian	8760	L-SLP
Beeson	Lauren	8851	L-SLP	Matkins	Katherine	8803	L-SLP
Chenevert	Mary	8857	L-SLP	McFatter	Laura	8832	L-SLP
Coe	Kara	8677	L-SLP	Miller	Peyton	8792	L-SLP
Cronin	Patrick	8778	L-SLP	Moreau	Shea	8793	L-SLP
Cunanan	Heaven Leigh	8757	L-SLP	Niemirowski	Rachel	8846	L-SLP
Dalgo	Tabitha	8905	L-SLP	Peters	Makayla	8865	L-SLP
Dopson	Micki	8840	L-SLP	Polk	Avery	8833	L-SLP
Duhon	Morgan	8808	L-SLP	Rea	Brooklynn	8909	L-SLP
Duncan	Natalee	8798	L-SLP	Rowe	Aleesha	8824	L-SLP
Evans	Ashley	8755	L-SLP	Ruli	Emily	8802	L-SLP
Foret	Kylie	8732	L-SLP	Salario	Amanda	8821	L-SLP
Gautreaux	Adrien	8750	L-SLP	Selby	Olivia	8820	L-SLP
Gorham	Tamara	8866	L-SLP	Spell	Jenna	8809	L-SLP
Hosek	Mason	8791	L-SLP	Stelly	Courtnie	8748	L-SLP
James	Hannah	8572	L-SLP	Sweeney	Allison	8805	L-SLP
Kassan	Paige	8826	L-SLP	Taylor	Jaci	8815	L-SLP
Kliebert	Taylor	8854	L-SLP	Viator	Hannah	8590	L-SLP
Louviere	Mary	8812	L-SLP	Watts	Mackenzie	8830	L-SLP
Malin	Alicia	8893	L-SLP	Ypya	Anna	8843	L-SLP

Last Name	First Name	License No.	Туре
Baker	Haley	8721	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT
Sander	Callie	8775	SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain, seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to <u>reinstate</u> the following licenses:

Last Name	First Name	License	Туре	Last Name	First Name	License No.	Type
Chevis	Mary	No. 3339	L-AUD	White	Tameka	7092	L-SLP
Notto	Yolanda	4226	L-SLP	Young	Dawn	3077	L-SLP
Townsend	Carovl	2473	R-SLP				

Motion was made by Erica Chatelain seconded by Glenn Waguespack and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED BY:

Annette E. Hurley, Ph.D., L-AUD Chairperson

Deanna Hardy, Public Board Member Secretary/Treasurer