

(To be adopted by the Board at 4/18/06 meeting)

DRAFT MINUTES
MEETING OF JANUARY 13, 2006
BOARD OF EXAMINERS
FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

Present: Carol Clupny, Nancy Dunn, Carolyn Dowd, Harold (Hank) Kim, Ashley Northam, and Gloria Schnell
Brenda Felber, Executive Director, and Administrative Assistant Tim Anderson were also present.
Excused absence: Joyce Erickson

Call to Order

Chair Dunn called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Clupny moved to approve meeting minutes of October 14, 2005. Schnell seconded. All Board members were in favor.

Public input

Audiologist Wendy Chapman was present for discussion of proposed rules and use of audioprosthologist term. She had no comments on any non-agenda items.

Action Items

Felber presented a proposal on **compensation for administrative support** for the Board to consider. She explained that after reviewing the current position description and job duties, it was apparent that the classification and compensation needed to be brought up to date. Board agreed. Board members thanked Anderson for his contributions.

Felber provided Board members with a copy of a letter dated 10/17/05 written by the American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA) Board of Ethics Chair, Dr. Allan Diefendorf. On behalf of ASHA's Board of Ethics, Dr. Diefendorf requested that Board staff suggest that complainants file their complaint with ASHA's Board of Ethics as well. The Chair explained that the ASHA Board of Ethics was unable to adjudicate a matter referred to them because of the lack of stipulated facts in the Board's consent order. The Board agreed that, as a **policy decision**, Board staff will suggest that future complainants consider filing the complaint to ASHA and to the American Academy of Audiology as well.

The Board reviewed a **draft of proposed rules**. The rules being reviewed include those discussed at previous meetings. Rules will be posted in the March bulletin with a hearing date set for April 28th. An informal question and answer session will be held for 30 minutes prior to the hearing.

Clupny and Dunn volunteered to more extensively review Division 70 rules on professional development and provide some recommendations to the Board for discussion at the next Board meeting. They will consider the inservices licensees reported this period as well as what ASHA's guidelines state. Schnell suggested that they also consider setting a limit on

the types of professional development that audiologists may report. For example, should an audiologist have a limit on what they can report as professional development earned from hearing aid companies.

Clupny presented revisions to Division 95 that she and Northam drafted to provide an alternative way for a speech-language pathology assistant to obtain the 100 clock contact hours of clinical interaction. Felber will consult with Assistant Attorney General Chute to be sure that there is sufficient authority in ORS 681.230. This will allow students to earn the hours in a school setting without the need for paying for a practicum to gain the same experience. Board felt that the requirement of 100% direct supervision will be incentive enough for a person to complete the hours and apply for certification.

Dunn provided a copy of the statement to prospective hearing aid consumer for Board members to consider. She asked that Anderson email the draft rules at least to audiologists for some feedback at this early stage.

Process changes for 2008 license renewals will be discussed at a future meeting. Further revisions to Division 70 and the policy consideration for development of PD approval checklist will be discussed at next Board meeting.

Felber shared a letter dated 12/28/05 from John Paul Hessburg, an attorney with Kitch Drutchas Wagner Vlitutti & Sherbrook, who wrote to Attorney Chute to inquire on the status of the review of the use of the audioprosthologist title in Oregon. The Board was unaware that they were being perceived as delaying any training programs. Felber was directed to ask Assistant Attorney General Chute to reply to the attorney regarding use of the **audioprosthologist** title and consult about next steps to resolve Case # 04-10. The Board continues to find the title misleading to consumers and they do not support the use of it.

Felber and Anderson will review the permit application to see if enough information is requested to determine the applicant's type of teaching license. They will consult with Clupny if they need further information.

Decisions from Executive Session:

Dowd motioned to close case #05-08 with standard letter of no violation found. Kim seconded. Clupny, Dunn, Dowd, Kim, Northam, and Schnell were in favor. Motion passed.

Northam moved to close case #03-19 with a letter of concern to be sent. Kim seconded. Clupny, Dunn, Dowd, Kim, Northam, and Schnell were in favor. Motion passed.

Schnell moved to issue notices of proposed civil penalty to two hearing instrument specialists. Clupny seconded. Clupny, Dunn, Dowd, Kim, Northam, and Schnell were in favor. Motion passed.

Northam moved to close case #05-01. Clupny seconded. Clupny, Dunn, Dowd, Kim, Northam, and Schnell were in favor. Motion passed.

One professional development exception request was approved. Felber will advise the licensee to report the remaining hours by 3/31/06 without being used for reporting again in 2008.

Next meeting date is set for Friday, April 28th with rules hearing from 10:30 to 11. Open discussion of rules from 10- 10:30 and board meeting beginning at 11:00

Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.