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Meeting Minutes February 10, 2023 Via Zoom Meeting

PRESENT: Amy Martin, CCC-SLP, Chair
Carrie Slough, Au.D, Vice Chair
Ilia Fong, Au.D.
Amy Costanza-Smith, CCC-SLP
Christopher Hargunani, M.D.
Jazzmen Vega-Heath, Public Member

Erin Haag, Executive Director
David Linn, Administrative
Assistant
Leslea Smith, Investigator
Catriona McCracken, Sr. AAG

EXCUSED: Clarence Williams, Public Member

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Martin after a roll call quorum was established. The meeting was held via Zoom.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The minutes from the November 4, 2022 meeting were reviewed. McCracken proposed the following corrections: On page one, remove "immediate past." On page 3 of the Nov. minutes in the section title "Temporary Rule" 4th line down delete "to" and insert "by". In the section titled "Public Comments" second paragraph 5th line from the bottom of the paragraph delete "any".

Page 4 of the Nov minutes change titled to "MOTIONS MADE IN PUBLIC SESSION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION."

Slough moved to approve the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Hargunani and passed unanimously.

BUDGET REPORT:

The Governor has approved the Budget and submitted it to the legislature. Haag presented it to the Joint Ways and Means Education Subcommittee on February 8th and expects it to pass with no amendments.

RULEMAKING:

Linn presented a temporary rule for consideration that would allow the Board to renew SLPA provisional certificates so that the SLPA candidates have more time to complete their 100 hours

of fieldwork (see attached rule language). In the past, the executive director has renewed them, but it is best practice for this procedure to be in rule. Martin moved that the Board adopt the rule as written. The motion was seconded by Costanza-Smith and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Bryan Greenaway, Audiologist, asked if the number of new licensees from out of state includes audiologists and Haag said yes, there are a few, but the vast majority are SLPs. He also had questions about the budget hearing and the discussion about workforce availability in Oregon.

This portion of the public session ended at 9:20 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Martin called the Executive Session to order at 9:31 a.m. to consider information obtained as part of investigations of licensee or applicant conduct as provided in ORS 192.660(2)(L), consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection as provided in ORS 192.660(2)(f), and to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed as provided in ORS 192.660(2)(h).

The executive session ended at 12:54 p.m. and the Board returned to public session at 1:00 p.m.

MOTIONS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

2022-62: Hargunani moved to close with no action. Slough seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

2022-63: Slough moved to close with no action. Hargunani seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2022-44: Hargunani moved to close with action. Martin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2022-45: Martin moved to close with action. Fong seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2022-18: Fong moved to close the case with no action. Hargunani seconded and it passed unanimously.

2022-55: Slough moved to close the case with no action. The motion was seconded by Martin and passed unanimously. Costanza-Smith abstained.

2022-60: Hargunani moved to close the case with no action. Slough seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

2022-61: Martin moved to ratify the license. Fong seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2023-01: Fong moved to close the case with no action. Hargunani seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

2023-02: Martin moved to ratify the license. Fong seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2023-03: Vega-Heath moved to close the case with no action. Martin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Slough moved to ratify the licenses that were issued from October 31, 2022 through January 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Fong and carried unanimously.

Hargunani moved to extend the time to investigate open cases. The motion was seconded by Costanza-Smith and passed unanimously.

The next meetings will be held on May 5, August, 4 and November 3, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.