



Meeting Minutes
May 1, 2026
Meeting held via Zoom

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PRESENT: Ilia Fong, Au.D. - Chair
Amy Costanza-Smith, CCC-SLP Vice-Chair
Carrie Slough, Aud
Amy Martin, CCC-SLP
Christopher Hargunani
Clarence Williams

Erin Haag, Executive Director
David Linn, Administrative Assistant
Ryan Fahlman-Katler, Investigator
Tony Deschamps, AAG

CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m. by Chair Fong under the authority of ORS 681.400, ORS 681.420, ORS 681.430, and ORS 192.610 to ORS 192.705. Fong stated that the meeting was being held in accordance with ORS 192.630(1), and that the Public Meeting Public Session opened to the public, and a roll call quorum was called: Fong – present; Costanza-Smith – present; Martin – Present; Slough – present; Williams – present; Hargunani - present.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Costanza-Smith moved to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2026, meeting. Second: Williams.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye;. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Budget and Finance Report

Director Haag provided the Board with a budget and finance report that reported revenue and expenses. There could be a need for a fee increase due to possible needing a new licensing database, which could incur a large expense in time and resources.

The Agency Budget has been submitted to the Governor's office for the 2027-29

Costanza-Smith moved to approve the report. Second: Fong.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye;. The motion passed unanimously.

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY:

Regular review of the delegation of authority from the Board to the Executive Director. Includes regular duties such as receiving monies, issuing licenses, and conducting audits. Outlines the duties and responsibilities of the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Hargunani moved to approve the report. Second: Williams.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

RULE MAKING DISCUSSION:

The agency will be engaging with stakeholders to do a full review of the Board's administrative rules. The first sections will be a review of the Conditional licensing rules. Over the summer there will be a review of the Record Keeping sections. A larger review involves the Professional & Ethical Standards. The agency will send out invitations for people to meet in rule making committees which could send along recommendations to the full Board. Costanza-Smith is interested in the Conditional rulemaking. Martin is interested in the SLPA rules. There was discussion about Record Keeping and how more licensees are billing Medicaid and updates to electronic records.

STRATIGIC PLAN:

Director Haag submitted the strategic plan to the Board. There were updates to the computer/IT language and dates. Haag is following up with reciprocal licensure. Martin had a question about a new database and if it could include access to previous cycles of professional development records, which Linn confirmed could be added. Costanza-Smith asked about doing trips around the state for outreach regarding education and compliance.

Constanza-Smith moved to approve the revised plan. Second: Fong.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board, prior to recessing the Public Meeting Public Session, announced that the Board would be entering into Executive Session. The Executive Session was called under the authority of ORS 192.610 to 192.705, OAR 199-040-0015 to 199-040-0060; ORS 681.440; ORS 676.165(5) and (6); ORS 696.175(1) and (8); ORS 192.660(2)(L) and (9) (for this health professional regulatory board to consider information obtained during an investigation into a licensee or applicant), and 192.660(2)(f)(records that are exempt by law from public inspection). The specific authority under which this Executive Session is being called, and purpose of this Executive Session, is as follows: ORS 681.440(4); ORS 192.660(2)(f) to consider investigatory information records that are exempt by law from public inspection; ORS 192.660(2)(f); ORS 192.355(9); and ORS 40.225 to receive written advice of counsel.

Chair Fong recessed the public session and called the Executive Session to order at 9:30 a.m.

The executive session ended and the public session was called back into order at 10:34 a.m. by Chair Fong under the authority of ORS 681.400, ORS 681.420, ORS 681.430, and ORS 192.610 to ORS 192.705 and ORS 192.630(1). In accordance with ORS 192.630(1), this Public Meeting Public Session was open to the public and a roll call quorum was called: Fong – present; Costanza-Smith – present; Martin – present; Slough – present; Hargunani - present.

MOTIONS FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION:

SLPA audit review: Moved by Fong to accept the SLPA Supervision Audit Report and close the audit review. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-02: Moved by Fong to close the case with no action. Second: Martin.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-06: Moved by Fong to close the case with no action and ratify issuance of the license. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-11: Moved by Fong to issue a notice and offer a consent agreement to impose a civil penalty of \$1,000 for violations of unlicensed practice under ORS 681.250(2). Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-01: Moved by Fong to issue a notice and offer a consent agreement to impose a civil penalty of \$5,000 for violations of unlicensed practice under ORS 681.250(2). Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2025-65: Moved by Fong to close the case with no action. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-03: Moved by Fong to close the case with no action. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-04: Moved by Fong to close the case with no action. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Williams re-joined meeting at 10:36 AM.

2026-05: Moved by Fong to close the case with no action. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-08: Moved by Fong to close the case with no action. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-10: Moved by Fong to close the case with no action. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Continuing Investigations:

It was moved by Fong to extend the time to investigate all open cases. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Ratify Consent Orders:

It was moved by Fong to ratify the signed consent orders in the following cases: 2025-48; 2025-49; 2025-42; Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Ratify Licenses Issued Between February 1, 2026 – April 25, 2026: Moved by Fong to ratify licenses. Second: Costanza-Smith.

Roll call vote: Fong – Aye; Costanza-Smith – Aye; Martin – Aye; Slough – Aye; Williams – Aye; Hargunani – Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026 Meeting Dates:

August 7th

November 6th

Chair Fong adjourned the meeting at 10:41 AM.