

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR
SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
AUDIOLOGY SCOPE OF PRACTICE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Thursday, May 4, 2006, 3:30 p.m.
Texas Department of State Health Services
Exchange Building
8407 Wall Street, Room S-402
Austin, Texas 78754
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MINUTES

Committee Members Present:

Kerry Ormson, Chair
Richard Caldwell
Deborah Carlson
Matthew Lyon

Committee Members Absent:

None

DSHS Staff Present:

Joyce Parsons
David Richards
Stewart Myrick

Guests:

None

Agenda Item 1 was to call the meeting to order at 3:35 pm by Dr. Carlson.

Agenda Item 2 was public comment. There was none.

Agenda Item 3 was discussion and possible action concerning review and approval of the committee report of the meeting held January 12, 2006. Mr. Lyon made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item 9 was the discussion and possible action concerning the sale of and ongoing investigation of the sale of hearing instruments by mail order and/or the Internet from within or outside of Texas to individuals who reside in the State of Texas. Mr. Richards presented information regarding this issue as it was addressed by the State Committee of Examiners in the Fitting and Dispensing of Hearing Instruments. Mr. Lyon suggested that a policy statement on the issue be established. No action was taken.

The committee recessed at 4:02 pm. The committee reconvened at 4:32 pm.

Agenda Item 10 was the discussion and possible action concerning the fitting of hearing instruments by licensed audiologists when the hearing instruments have been purchased by the consumer from another individual or company. Dr. Ormson made a presentation. Mr. Lyon suggested creating a policy statement to address this issue for possible adoption. No action was taken.

Agenda Item 4 was the committee chair report concerning committee priorities. No action was taken.

Agenda Item 5 was the discussion and possible action regarding the supervision and status of individuals who have completed the Certificate Programs for Otolaryngology Personnel (CPOP) course and responsibilities or liabilities of a supervising audiologist. Dr. Ormson made a presentation. Dr. Carlson suggested that this issue be addressed under the frequently asked questions on the board website. No action was taken.

Agenda Item 6 was the discussion and possible action regarding the supervision of 4th year audiology AuD students. No action was taken.

Agenda Item 7 was the discussion and possible action concerning the audiology intern license and externships issues associated with AuD students. No action was taken.

Agenda Item 8 was the discussion and possible action regarding frequently asked questions for the board website. Ms. Parsons made a presentation. No action was taken.

Agenda Item 11 was the discussion and possible action regarding the sale of hearing instruments through the Internet. This item was addressed under agenda item 10.

Agenda Item 12 was announcements and comments not requiring committee action. There were none.

Agenda Item 13 was the adjournment of the meeting. Mr. Caldwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:43 pm. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Approved by the committee on October 26, 2006
Kerry Ormson, Chair