

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
TELEPRACTICE ADHOC COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday February 25, 2009, 2:00 p.m.
The University of Texas at Dallas
Callier Center for Communication Disorders
1966 Inwood Road, Dallas, Texas 75235

MINUTES

Members Present:

Patricia Brannon, Professional Member
Tammy Camp, M.D., Physician Member
Leila Salmons, Professional Member
Gilda Lopez, TSHA

Staff Present:

Joyce Parsons
David Richards
Jose Paiz

Public Present:

Larry Higdon

Agenda item 1 was Call to order. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Brannon at 2:00pm.

Agenda item 2 was Introductions.

Agenda item 3 was Public Comment.

Agenda item 4 was discussion and possible action concerning review and approval of the committee report of meetings held October 29, 2008. Ms. Salmons made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 5 was to review the purpose of the telepractice ad hoc committee. Ms. Brannon reported the committee was to review the current rules, investigate researched information, and consider revising the current rules.

Agenda item 6 was Presentation from Texas Speech-Language-Hearing Association's (TSHA) Telepractice Task Force – Gilda Lopez

Agenda item 7 was a report on the competencies for telepractice use. The American Speech-Language-Hearing Association's (ASHA) knowledge and skills were reviewed.

Agenda item 8 was a report on complaints for telepractice use. Mr. Richards' research yielded no complaints. However, he provided telehealth rules from other agencies within the state for the committee to review.

Agenda item 9 was a report on other State standards of telepractice. Ms. Salmons' reported the committee had the other State rules and she was unable to find additional ones. California did not have telepractice regulations nor did North Carolina. Ms. Brannon reported that North Carolina did not have their rules written at this time. The state licensure board is waiting on data from the University of North Carolina.

Agenda item 10 was to breakout into groups to discuss competencies and standards. The Committee decided we had already reviewed the ASHA rules and other state rules and a breakout would not be necessary.

Agenda item 11 was to discuss and propose possible amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741

relating to telepractice. The committee decided to write proposed amendments based on the ASHA standards, Maryland rules, and the other Texas telehealth rules. Rules were discussed and written. Ms. Brannon requested a public hearing be scheduled.

Agenda item 12 was to discuss items for future consideration. Ms. Brannon would like for the committee to investigate outcomes data.

Agenda item 13 was announcements and comments not requiring committee action. No action.

Agenda item 14 was adjournment. Ms. Salmons made a motion to adjourn at 6:06 p.m. The motion was seconded and passed.

Chair,

Date

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

Thursday February 26, 2009, 1:00 p.m.
The University of Texas at Dallas
Callier Center for Communication Disorders
1966 Inwood Road, Dallas, Texas 75235

MINUTES

Members Present:

Sonya Salinas, Professional Member
Patricia Brannon, Professional Member
Tammy Camp, MD, Physician Member
Leila Salmons, Professional Member

Staff Present:

Joyce Parsons
David Richards
Jose Paiz

Public Present:

Diane Christiana
Larry Higdon
Kerry Ormson

Agenda item 1 was Call to order. The meeting was called to order at 1:10pm by Ms. Salinas.

Agenda item 2 was Public Comment. Public comment was given by Diane Christiana.

Agenda item 3 was Committee chair report concerning committee priorities. No report was given.

Agenda item 4 was Discussion and possible action concerning review and approval of the committee reports of the meeting held October 30, 2008. Ms. Brannon made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 5 was Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741 relating to the requirement of a jurisprudence examination by licensees and/or applicants. Ms. Brannon made a motion to recommend to the full board that the jurisprudence examination must be completed no more than six months prior to the date of licensure application. The motion was seconded and passed. Dr. Camp made a motion to recommend to the full board that all renewing licensees must complete the jurisprudence examination for only one renewal period. The motion was seconded and passed. Ms. Brannon made a motion to recommend to the full board that proof of successfully completing the jurisprudence examination must be submitted to the board at the time of renewal period. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 6 was Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741.163, relating to inactive status. Ms. Brannon made a motion to recommend to the full board that a person seeking active status must complete 20 hours of continuing education within three (3) months after reinstatement. The motion was seconded and passed. Dr. Camp made a motion to recommend to the full board to not include any restrictions for supervisors. The motion was seconded and passed. Ms. Salmons made a motion to recommend to the full board to remove "for whose licenses have been expired for less than one year". The motion was seconded and passed. Ms. Salmons made a motion to recommend to the full board to remove "unless

exempted by the Act". The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 7 was Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741, relating to telepractice. Dr. Camp made a motion to recommend to the full board all of the recommendations that the telepractice adhoc committee is recommending. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 8 was Discussion and possible action regarding updates to the board's website relating to the new continuing education requirement in ethics. Ms. Salmons made a motion for a six (6) month grace from May 1, 2009. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 9 was Discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741.64, relating to initial contact. Ms. Brannon made a motion to recommend to the full board to change §741.64(g)(1) to Initial contacts directly with the client shall be conducted by the supervising speech-language pathologist in order to determine whether the assistant has the competence to perform specific duties before delegating tasks and change §741.64(g)(2) to The initial contact also applies when there is a change of the supervising speech-language pathologist. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 10 was Items for future consideration. Dr. Camp made a motion for staff to make presentations regarding licensures at universities in Texas. The motion was seconded and passed. Ms. Brannon made a motion to review what the roles of an assistant speech-language pathologist. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 11 was Announcements and comments not requiring committee action.

Agenda item 12 was Adjournment. Dr. Camp made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Chair,

Date

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

Thursday February 26, 2009, 3:00 p.m.
The University of Texas at Dallas
Callier Center for Communication Disorders
1966 Inwood Road, Dallas, Texas 75235

MINUTES

Members Present:

Phillip Wilson, Professional Member
Kerry Ormson, Professional Member
Vickie Dionne, Professional Member
Richard Caldwell, Public Member

Staff Present:

Joyce Parsons
David Richards
Jose Paiz

Public Present:

Ross Roeser
Larry Higdon
Carol Cokely
Patty Brannon

Agenda item 1 was Call to order. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Wilson at 3:30 pm.

Agenda item 2 was Public Comment. Larry Higdon made a comment about an upcoming bill.

Agenda item 3 was Discussion and possible action concerning review and approval of the committee reports of meetings held October 30, 2008. Dr. Ormson made a motion to approve the minutes upon correcting the first motion regarding Dr. Dionne making a motion that died due to a lack of a second. The motion was seconded and approved.

Agenda item 4 was committee chair report concerning committee priorities.

Agenda item 5 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741, relating to the requirement of a jurisprudence examination by licensees and/or applicants. Dr. Dionne made a motion to accept the amendment made by the Speech Scope of Practice committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 6 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741.163, relating to inactive status. Mr. Caldwell made a motion to accept the amendments made by the Speech Scope of Practice committee and recommend them to the full board. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ormson and passed.

Agenda item 7 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741, relating to telepractice. Dr. Ormson made a motion to accept the proposal of rules and to

recommend the report to the board. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 8 was discussion and possible action regarding updating the board's website relating to the new continuing education requirement in ethics. Dr. Ormson made a motion to recommend contacting ASHA, TSHA, AAA, TAA, and Scott Haug to ask them to identify ethics classes. The motion was seconded by Dr. Dionne and passed.

Agenda item 9 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741.81, relating to requirements for an audiology license. Dr. Ormson made a motion to approve changing §741.81(b) from graduate degree to doctoral or master degree awarded prior to 2007. The motion was seconded and passed. Dr. Dionne made a motion to approve all of the changes made and present to the full board. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ormson and passed.

Agenda item 10 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741.82, relating to requirements for an intern in audiology license. Dr. Dionne made a motion to drop the item. The motion was seconded by Dr. Ormson and passed.

Agenda item 11 was discussion and possible action regarding amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741.84, relating to requirements for an assistant in audiology license. Dr. Ormson made a motion to meet in a working session as the Audiology Scope of Practice committee to present to the board on June 17, 2009. The motion was seconded Dr. Dionne, discussed, and passed.

Agenda item 12 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741.103, regarding requirements for audiologist and interns in audiology conducting audiometric testing for the purpose of fitting and dispensing hearing instruments. Dr. Ormson made a motion to adopt the change to add the wording "most current" and to delete last sentence and chart. The motion was seconded by Dr. Dionne and passed.

Agenda item 13 was discussion and possible action regarding Intra-operative monitoring by audiologist. No action was taken.

Agenda item 14 was discussion and possible action regarding the use of Doctor of Audiology in advertisements. Dr. Ormson made a motion to amend §741.41 to notify the board of changes of name, highest academic degree granted, address, and telephone number. The motion was seconded by Dr. Dionne and passed.

Agenda item 15 was announcements and comments not requiring committee action.

Agenda item 16 was adjournment. Dr. Ormson made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 pm

Chair,

Date

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
FULL BOARD MEETING
Friday February 27, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
The University of Texas at Dallas
Callier Center for Communication Disorders
1966 Inwood Road, Dallas, Texas 75235

MINUTES

Members Present:

Phillip Wilson, Professional Member
Kerry Ormson, Professional Member
Vickie Dionne, Professional Member
Richard Caldwell, Public Member
Leila Salmons, Professional Member
Sonya Salinas, Professional Member
Patricia Brannon, Professional Member
Kimberly Carlisle, Public Member
Tammy Camp, M.D., Physician Member

Staff Present:

Joyce Parsons
David Richards
Jose Paiz

Public Present:

Larry Higdon
Ross Roeser

Agenda item 1 was call to order. The meeting was called to order at by Dr. Ormson at 9:01am.

Agenda item 2 was public comment. No comment was given.

Agenda item 3 was discussion and possible action concerning the approval of minutes from the October 31, 2008 board meeting. Ms. Carlisle made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 4 was discussion and possible action concerning committee reports:

Complaints Committee-Dr. Dionne made a motion to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Speech-Language Pathology Scope of Practice Committee- Ms. Salinas made a motion to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Audiology Scope of Practice Committee- Dr. Wilson made a motion to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 5 was report of activity from board designees:

Continuing Education- No action was taken.

Supervision- No action was taken.

Transcript- No action was taken.

Agenda item 6 was discussion and possible action regarding final disciplinary action on SA-06-023. Dr. Dionne

made a motion to approve the final disciplinary action. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 7 was discussion and possible action regarding legislative items for the 81st Legislative Session. No action was taken.

Agenda item 8 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741 relating to the requirement of a jurisprudence examination by licensees and/or applicants. Dr. Dionne made a motion to approve the language on the jurisprudence exam for §§741.112, 741.122, 741.161, and 741.162 and add the new section to the rules and change the effective date to December 31, 2009. The motion was seconded, discussed, and passed.

Agenda item 9 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741.163, relating to inactive status. Ms. Carlisle made a motion to approve the proposed amendment to delete last part of the sentence in §741.163(a) and §741.163(c), delete §741.163(h) completely and to add sentence "After December 31, 2009, a person seeking..." The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 10 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741, relating to telepractice. Ms. Brannon made a motion to approve the new section and propose to the Texas Register. The motion was seconded, discussed, and passed.

Agenda item 11 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741.64, relating to initial contact. Ms. Brannon made a motion to approve the changes to the §741.64. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 12 was discussion and possible action regarding updating the board's website relating to the new continuing education requirement in ethics. Ms. Salinas made a motion to change the grace period from six months to by December 31, 2009 and to include this change on the website and renewal forms. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 13 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741.81, relating to requirements for an audiology license. Dr. Wilson made a motion to approve the changes to §741.81, change §741.81(b) to "The doctoral or master degree awarded prior to 2007,...", delete §741.81(b)(1)-(4), change §741.81(b)(5) to §741.81(c), delete §741.81(c)(1)-(3), change §741.81(e) to §741.(d), delete §741.81(e)(1)-(2), change §741.81(f) to §741.81(e), and change §741.81(g) to §741.81(f). The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 14 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741.82, relating to requirements for an intern in audiology license. No action was taken.

Agenda item 15 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 741.84, relating to requirements for an assistant in audiology license. No action was taken.

Agenda item 16 was discussion and possible action regarding proposed amendments to 22 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 741.103, regarding requirements for audiologist and interns in audiology conducting audiometric testing for the purpose of fitting and dispensing hearing instruments. Dr. Wilson made a motion to add the wording "most current" and delete chart. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 17 was discussion and possible action regarding Intra-operative monitoring by audiologist. No action was taken.

Agenda item 18 was discussion and possible action regarding the use of Doctor of Audiology in advertisements.

Dr. Wilson made a motion to approve the changes made to rule 741.41 to notify the board of changes of name, highest academic degree granted, address, and telephone number. The motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda item 19 was presiding officer's report and update concerning current challenges and accomplishments; interaction with stakeholders, state officials, and staff; committee appointments and functions; workload of board members; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the board. The report was given by Dr. Ormson.

Agenda item 20 was executive director's report and Update concerning program operations; customer service accomplishments, inquires, and challenges; current and/or historical licensee statistics; media, legislative, and stakeholder contacts and concerns; workload processing issues; special projects assigned to executive director; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the licensure program. The report was given by Ms. Parsons.

Agenda item 21 was management report and update from the Professional Licensing and Certification Unit, Department of State Health Services, including unit organization and staffing; program costs and revenue; current operational initiatives; customer service accomplishments and challenges; workload processing and statistical information; status of rulemaking within the unit; legislative and media contacts and tracking; and general information regarding the routine functioning of the unit. No report was given.

Agenda item 22 was items for future consideration.

Agenda item 23 was announcements and comments not requiring board action.

Agenda item 24 was adjournment. Dr. Camp made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:32am.

Chair,

Date