

**BOARD OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY**  
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division  
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs  
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by §92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

- Date: May 4, 2012
- Time: 2:30 p.m.
- Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813
- Present: Kristine M. Takekawa, AuD, Audiologist, Chairperson  
Anne M. Horner, Speech Pathologist, Vice Chairperson  
Shari Goo-Yoshino, Speech Pathologist, Member  
Valery O'Brien, Member  
Jenny C. Wells, Ph.D., Member  
Candace Ito, Executive Officer  
Shari J. Wong, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")  
Faith Nishimura, Secretary
- Excused: Joseph C. Sniezek, M.D., F.A.C.S., Member
- Call to Order: There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Dr. Takekawa at 2:30 p.m.
- Additions/Revisions to the Agenda: None.
- Approval of February 3, 2012 Meeting Minutes: It was moved by Dr. Wells, seconded by Ms. Horner, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2012 meeting as circulated.
- Announcements: The Executive Officer reminded members to submit their Hawaii State Ethics Commission Financial Disclosure Form by May 31, 2012.
- Applications: a. Licensure  
  
Marilyn H. Fries

The Board reviewed and discussed Ms. Fries' restoration application for her speech pathology license. Her Hawaii speech pathology license expired on December 31, 2007.

Ms. Fries has a current ASHA certification and a valid speech pathology license in California.

After discussion, it was moved by Dr. Wells, seconded by Ms. O'Brien, and unanimously carried to approve Ms. Fries' restoration application.

b. Ratifications

It was moved by Ms. Goo-Yoshino, seconded by Ms. Horner, and unanimously carried to ratify the applications for licensure of the following individuals:

SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS

<u>License #</u>	<u>Name</u>
SP 1220	RUNYAN, Leah A.
SP 1221	RUNKEL, Jacqueline J.
SP 1222	MCCLURE, Sandra L.
SP 1223	REINIG, Jennifer
SP 1224	MAYS, Kathleen L.
SP 1225	REY, Lilia
SP 1226	VOTLUCKA, Peter F.
SP 1227	DESORMES, Ingrid R.
SP 1228	SIRIANN, Mary L.
SP 1229	JUNG, Ashley F.
SP 1230	KNELL-BREG, Caron
SP 1231	PRUSINSKI, Kauinohea C.
SP 1232	GRAY, Daria M.
SP 1233	VON REKOWSKI, Jeffrey A.
SP 1234	SASAOKA, Tanya
SP 1235	INGLE, Elizabeth A.

AUDIOLOGISTS

<u>License #</u>	<u>Name</u>
AUD 138	VIGIL, Tenley H.
AUD 139	FRIEDMAN, Rachel H.

New Business: None.

Unfinished Business: Orientation for Board Chairpersons

Dr. Takekawa attended an orientation for Board Chairpersons on December 6, 2011. She highlighted a few items as follows:

- Sunshine Law: The chairpersons were reminded that adding an item to the agenda is not permitted if the item is of major importance and action on the item by the Board will affect a significant amount of people.
- State Ethics Code: Members should not take any official action if they have any conflicts of interest. Official action includes making recommendations, influencing other members, and contributing to the discussion. Members that have a conflict of interest should recuse themselves from discussion and refrain from taking any official action. It is recommended that the member with a conflict of interest step out of the meeting room.

Gifts in excess of \$200 must be reported to the Ethics Commission. Members may be able to accept gifts of travel if there is a legitimate State benefit. If members are offered travel related gifts, they are strongly encouraged to contact the State Ethics Commission for advice.

- Personal Liability: Deborah Emerson, Office of the Attorney General, reminded chairpersons that the Board's Deputy Attorney General gives advice to help the Board remain within its legal jurisdiction. Board members acting in their official capacity will not be liable in any civil action if members perform their duty within the scope of the Board and do not act with a malicious or improper purpose. Sometimes the Deputy Attorney General may foresee problems and try to guide the Board, even if the Board does not present a legal question.

Hawaii  
Administrative  
Rules:

Proposed amendments

A draft including the following proposed amendments were distributed to members for their review and comments:

- Accept the AuD degree as meeting the education, clinical observation, clinical practicum and clinical fellowship requirements of HAR section 16-100-20;
- Accept either an ABA board certification or ASHA CCC for audiology applicants to qualify for licensure;
- Amend HAR section 16-100-20(b)(2)(C) to reflect that an audiology clinical fellowship could be completed under the supervision of an individual possessing either an ABA board certification or ASHA CCC;
- Clarify that applicants must graduate from a college or university that is accredited by a regional, national or specialized accrediting body recognized by the United States Department of Education; and
- Replace the numeric passing score in HAR section 16-100-31 with "passing score" that is established by the ASHA Council for Clinical Certification in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology.

It was moved by Dr. Takekawa, seconded by Ms. O'Brien, and unanimously carried to approve the draft proposed administrative rules.

Legislation:

- a. House Bill No. 2257 Relating to Professional and Vocational Licensing
- b. House Bill No. 2258 Relating to Professional and Vocational Licensing

The Executive Officer related that both bills passed the final reading as amended in Senate Draft No. 1 and will be transmitted to the Governor soon. Licensing Administrator Celia Suzuki has requested feedback and input from the Board on these bills. H.B. No. 2258 H.D.2, S.D.1 requires the Licensing Administrator to submit a report to the Legislature which details plans for the implementation of this bill should it be enacted.

Since the Board's last meeting, both bills have been amended to delete drafting administrative rules to implement this bill, should it become an Act.

The Board discussed H.B. No. 2257 H.D.2, S.D.1 which proposes to permit licensure by endorsement or licensure by reciprocity in certain situations for a nonresident military spouse; permits issuance of a temporary license if certain requirements are met; and requires the licensing authority to expedite consideration of the application

and issuance of a license by endorsement, license by reciprocity, or temporary license to a qualified nonresident military spouse.

Dr. Wells indicated that there are no requirements in the military that would supersede the board's current licensing requirements.

The Board came to consensus that licensure by reciprocity is available to all applicants because all states that license speech pathologists and audiologists accept the ASHA CCC as meeting the license requirements. In addition, HRS §468E-8(c) provides that a person certified by ASHA or licensed under the laws of another state or the District of Columbia as a speech pathologist or audiologist who has applied for a license in this State may perform speech pathology or audiology services in this State for a period not to exceed ninety days from the time of submitting the person's application. Also, the Board believes that the current policy of the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of processing complete applications within 15-20 business days is timely and does not impede an applicant's ability to obtain a license and start to practice.

The Board discussed H.B. No. 2258 H.D.2, S.D.1 which requires professional and vocational licensing boards to consider relevant military education, training, and service as part of the evaluation process toward the qualifications of a license and requires the licensing administrator of the professional and vocational licensing division of the department of commerce and consumer affairs to communicate the intent of this Act to each licensing authority and report to the legislature.

The Board came to a consensus that if and when an applicant asks the Board to consider relevant education, training or service completed as a member of the military, the Board will defer to ASHA for evaluation. ASHA has the ability and the expertise to evaluate speech pathology and audiology education and experience. DAG Wong added that the applicant must present satisfactory evidence to the Board, thus the applicant must ask ASHA to determine whether the applicant's military education, training or service demonstrates substantial equivalency to State standards.

Correspondence: a. The High Road, March 2012 No. 2012-1

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Next Meeting            Friday, August 3, 2012  
Date:                    2:30 p.m.  
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                                Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Adjournment:        There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was  
                                adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Faith Nishimura  
Faith Nishimura  
Secretary

Reviewed and approved by:

/s/ Candace Ito  
Candace Ito  
Executive Officer

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- [X]    Minutes approved as is.  
[ ]    Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of \_\_\_\_\_