

FLORIDA | Board of Speech-Language
Pathology and Audiology

Teleconference Meeting Minutes

**July 25, 2018
9:00 a.m.**

Meet Me #: [\(888\) 670-3525](tel:8886703525)

Participation Code: 7251145521



Peter Johnson, PhD
Chair

Frederick Rahe, Au.D.
Vice-Chair

Kama Monroe
Executive Director

July 25, 2018

The Meeting was called to order by Board chair, Peter Johnson at 9 a.m. Present for all or part of the meeting include:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Peter Johnson, Ph.D, Chair
Frederick Rahe, Au.D., Vice-Chair
Kristen Rutland.
Paul Boyev, M.D.
Sherry Jordan, Ed.S

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

Kama Monroe, Executive Director
Carol Taylor, Program Administrator

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sergio Guerreiro, Au.D

BOARD COUNSEL:

Rachelle Munson, Board counsel

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY:

Rose Garrison

COURT REPORTER:

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Please note that the meeting minutes reflect the actual order that agenda items were discussed during the meeting and may differ from the agenda outline.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. April 18, 2018, General Business Meeting

Minutes of the April 18, 2018, Board Meeting were reviewed.

Motion: by Frederick Rahe, seconded by Kristen Rutland, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Prosecution Services Report – Rose Garrison, Esq.

2. Prosecution Services, Assistant General Counsel, Rose Garrison presented the prosecution services report to the board. Ms. Garrison summarized the content of the report included with the board materials. She noted the dismissal of two complaints at the recent Probable Cause Panel meeting and assured the board that Prosecution Services continues to work hard to timely resolve all cases. Ms. Garrison requested the board allow the Prosecution Services Unit (PSU) to continue prosecution of the cases a year and older.

Motion: by Kristen Rutland, seconded by Frederick Rahe, to allow PSU to continue prosecuting cases a year and older. Motion carried.

Applicants

Provisional Speech-Language Pathologist Application Review

3. Raquel Varon: File number 16706

Applicant was present. Applicant was not represented by counsel.

Action Taken: After discussion, Frederick Rahe, moved to allow the applicant the opportunity to withdraw her application, Paul Boyev seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Dr. Johnson stated the applicant would not have to repeat her CFY when she re-applies.

Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Assistant Application Review

4. Madeleine Gonzalez: File number 4532

Applicant was present. Applicant was not represented by counsel.

Action Taken: After discussion, Frederick Rahe, moved to accept the applicant's application, Kristen Rutland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

5. Monica Mercadante-Castro: File number 4448

Applicant was not present. Applicant was not represented by counsel.

Action Taken: After discussion, Kristen Rutland, moved to table the application to the next meeting, which will be the second required appearance, Frederick Rahe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Provisional Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Application Review

6. Marlene Aguero: File number 4447

Applicant was present. Applicant was not represented by counsel.

Action Taken: After discussion, Kristen Rutland, moved to table the application to the next meeting with the option open for the chair to review and decide on the adequacy of any additional materials/clarifications provided by the applicant, Frederick Rahe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Ratification of Licenses Issued 4/1/2018-6/30/2018

7.(a) 3001 - Speech-Language Pathologist

Motion: by Paul Boyev, seconded by Kristen Rutland, to approve ratification of license numbers 16151-16348 issued between 4/1/18 and 6/30/18. Motion carried.

(b) 3002 – Audiologist

Motion: by Frederick Rahe, seconded by Paul Boyev, to approve ratification of license numbers 2176-2198 issued between 4/1/2018 and 6/30/2018. Motion carried.

(c) 3003 - Speech-Language Pathology Assistant

Motion: by Paul Boyev, seconded by Kristen Rutland to approve ratification of license numbers 3538-3625 issued between 4/1/2018 and 6/30/2018. Motion carried.

(d) 3004 – Audiologist Assistant

Motion: by Frederick Rahe, seconded by Kristen Rutland, to approve ratification of license numbers 287-293 issued between 4/1/2018 and 6/30/2018. Motion carried.

(e) 3005 - Provisional Speech-Language Pathologist

Motion: by Kristen Rutland, seconded by Frederick Rahe, to approve ratification of license numbers 8514-8614 issued between 4/1/2018 and 6/30/2018. Motion carried.

(f) 3006 – Provisional Audiologist

Motion: by Paul Boyev, seconded by Kristen Rutland, to approve ratification of license numbers 744-755 issued

between 4/1/2018 and 6/30/2018. Motion carried.

BOARD COUNSEL REPORT

8. RULES REPORT

July 2018 Rules Report

June 2018 Report

May 2018 Report

Rule Discussion

9. Rule 64B20-5.005

Revised 64B20-5.005

JAPC Response Letter 64B20-5.005

64B20-5.005 JAPC Letter

10. Provisional Applications

Provisional Renewal Application SPA 5 (application only)

Revised Form SPA Application for Renewal of Provisional License

11. Rule 64B20-3.001

JAPC Response Letter

JAPC Letter for 64B20-3.001

JAPC Letter for Repeal of all Fee Rules

12. Employment Verification Form

Revised SPA-2A Employment Verification without Revision Date

Board counsel Rachelle Munson addressed Tabs 8-12 and the Rules Reports at the same time. Ms. Munson informed the board that the rules reports identify the rules that are open for rule development and specifically where they are in the application process.

Ms. Munson informed the board that rules 64B20-6.001 and 64B20-6.002, which are included on the rules report, are still open for development. She noted that during previous discussion it was determined that she and Dr. Rahe would discuss the rules and the confusion experienced during the renewal process. Ms. Munson stated that if Dr. Rahe was still willing to proceed she would work with him on developing language. Dr. Rahe acknowledged his willingness to proceed.

Board counsel then identified the rules on fees as additional rules previously before the board, which are included on the rules report and the instant agenda. The board previously approved moving the fee rules for repeal and replacing them with one rule, specifically 64B20-3.001, except for the removal of the rule for a fee for wall certificate. The Joint Administrative Procedures Committee (JAPC) did respond; however, it was technical in nature and this matter is on course.

Also, listed on the rules report and included on the agenda is rule 64B20-5.005. Ms. Munson provided the board with an update regarding the changes made to the rule and the supporting documents.

Ms. Munson informed the board that the July rules report, which is the most recent, is current and accurate. She further noted that this discussion included tabs eight through twelve.

Prior to moving to tab 13, Dr. Rahe inquired about the proposed rule change regarding speech-language pathologist assistants. Board counsel stated that there is no current rulemaking regarding the rule. She added that since the last board meeting she was copied on correspondence from Florida Association of Speech Language Pathologists & Audiologists (FLASHA) representatives and their lobbyists indicating their desire to submit language to revise the rule. She noted they may wish to attend the next board meeting to present their proposal. The board will determine how they wish to proceed. The board chair stated he had a call from Ms. Westman stating FLASHA is meeting today to develop a revision for the next board meeting.

TAB 13: Annual Regulatory Plan Discussion

Board counsel reminded the board that the Annual Regulatory Plan must be submitted once a year. It is due October 1st, which is before the board meets again. Ms. Munson provided an overview for the board member's personal edification. She requested the board delegate authority to the board chair to approve the

annual regulatory plan.

Action Taken: After discussion, Frederick Rahe, moved to delegate authority to the board chair to approve the annual regulatory plan, Kristen Rutland seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Board Chair Report – Dr. Johnson

No report at this time.

Executive Director Report – Kama Monroe

Ms. Monroe had no report; however, she did provide information in response to inquiries on the budget report. Ms. Monroe noted the beginning cash balance for total revenues of \$1,273,546. She informed the board that there had been a question regarding the Non-Operating Distribution and Transfers. It was noted that of the \$304,003 total, \$243,871 was a part of a cash sweep and the remainder was for fees. She then noted that the service charge to general revenue of 8% is a universal charge to all revenue.

Board Liaison Reports -

14. Budget Liaison Report- Dr. Johnson provided an overview of the budget report, which was included in the agenda materials.

15. Application – Dr. Rahe (AuD) & Dr. Johnson (SLP): Ms. Monroe informed the board that the Health History Workgroup is continuing to meet and hopefully there will be an update by the next board meeting. There was nothing further to report.

16. Continuing Education – No report at this time, however, board was directed to view the approved courses.
a. 3007-Course Provider's Approved

17. Laws and Rules – Dr. Rahe (AuD) Ms. Munson and Dr. Rahe will work on the continuing education rule. There was nothing further to report.

18. Unlicensed Activity – Dr. Rahe (AuD) & Dr. Johnson (SLP): No report at this time.

19. Healthy Weight – Ms. Rutland: No report at this time.

20. GENERAL DISCUSSION

There was no general discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Board counsel informed the board that she has received communication via telephone from an individual who wishes to modify rule language regarding audiologist assistants. Dr. Rahe noted he will request an agenda item for the next board agenda for the board to be proactive in this matter. There may be associations who request to be placed on the agenda regarding this matter.

25. ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: October 17, 2018
Tampa, Florida