

## **BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY**

**899 NORTH CAPITOL ST. NE – 2<sup>ND</sup> FL.  
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

**March 16, 2020**

**9:00am to 12:00pm**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY**

**OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES MARCH 16, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

OS-0316-01	<p>The Open Session meeting was called to order at 9:20am and a quorum was maintained.</p> <p><b>Board Members</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kristin Spivey, Board Chairperson-Present via teleconference</li> <li>• Dr. Angela Grice, Board Member-Present via teleconference</li> <li>• Robert Traina, Board Member-Present</li> <li>• Stephanie Marshall, Board Member- Absent</li> </ul> <p><b>Board Staff</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aisha Nixon, Executive Director-Present</li> <li>• Panravee Vongjaroenrat, Board Attorney-Present</li> <li>• Ashley Balma, Health Licensing Specialist-Present</li> <li>• Rebecca Odrick, Investigator-Present</li> </ul> <p><b>ASL Interpreters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kelly Simcik- Present</li> <li>• Emma Taylor-Present</li> </ul>
OS-0316-02	<p><b>Board Action:</b> Acceptance of Agenda</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> The meeting was called to order and a quorum was established at 9:20am. Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to accept the March 16, 2020 agenda. Seconded by Robert Traina. The motion passed unanimously.</p>

**MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS**

OS-0316-03	<p><b><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive Director, Aisha Nixon informed the Board that the Department of Health is closely monitoring the coronavirus with local officials and government. As of now the Health Regulation and Licensing Administration is still open and serving its clients and residents of the District of Columbia. The processing center located on the first floor of the building will be seeing walk-ins only from 9:00am-1:00pm until further notice.</li> <li>• The Health Department is continuing to be transparent with the District of Columbia community as the present situation unfolds. We</li> </ul>
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	<p>ask that you visit our website for all of the latest information <a href="https://coronavirus.dc.gov/">https://coronavirus.dc.gov/</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Nixon also provided the current licensure census for the Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total number of active licenses: 986</li> <li>• Audiologists: 125</li> <li>• Audiology Assistants: 3</li> <li>• Speech-Language Pathologists: 803</li> <li>• Speech-Language Pathology Assistants: 19</li> <li>• Speech-Language Pathology Clinical Fellows: 36</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
OS-0316-04	<p><b><u>BOARD ATTORNEY'S REPORT:</u></b> No Report</p>	
OS-0316-05	<p><b><u>BOARD CHAIRS'S REPORT:</u></b> No Report</p>	
OS-0316-06	<p><b><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the October 15, 2019 meeting.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> Motion made by Robert Traina to approve the Open Session minutes from the October 15, 2020 meeting. Seconded by Dr. Angela Grice. The motion passed unanimously.</p>	

## DISCUSSION ITEMS

OS-0316-07	<p><b><u>DC SPEECH AND HEARING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE</u></b></p> <p><b>Board Action:</b> To decide which members from the Board would be able to speak at the upcoming annual conference.</p> <p><b>Background:</b> The DC Speech and Hearing Association will be holding their annual conference on May 1, 2020 at their national office in Rockville, Maryland from 8:00am-5:00pm. This year's annual conference is titled "Evolving Interdisciplinary Practice". The Associations president Ms. Kari Comer has reached out to the board and requests that one of our members attend the annual conference to provide the attendees of the conference with updates from the board. The majority of the 80-100 attendees both audiologist and speech language pathologists of the conference are licensed by the board.</p> <p><b>Motion:</b> No formal motion was made. This was for informational purposes only.</p>
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**MOTION TO ADJORN**

OS-0311-08

**Board Action:**

To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).

**Background:**

Upon conclusion of the open session meeting and pursuant to the DC Official Code 2-575(b) and for the purposes set forth therein, the Board will move into the closed executive session portion of the meeting to consult with the Board attorney, discuss disciplinary matters and hear reports concerning violations of the law or regulations.

**Motion:**

Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to close the Open Session portion of the meeting and move to the Executive Session portion of the meeting. Seconded by Robert Traina. The motion passed unanimously.

This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for [June 15, 2020](#)

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