

BOARD OF AUDIOLOGY & SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

JUNE 14, 2021

9:00am-12:00pm

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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| OS-0614-01 | <p><u>INTRODUCTIONS</u></p> <p>The meeting was called to order at 9:15 AM and a quorum was established.</p> <p>A. Board Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kristin Spivey- Present• Dr. Angela Grice- Present <p>B. Board Staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aisha Nixon, Executive Director- Present• Panravee Vongjaroenrat, Board Attorney- Present• Rebecca Odrick, Board Investigator- Present• Tamika Wells, Health Licensing Specialist-Present• Fatima Abby, Health Licensing Specialist- Present• Rujuta Nandgaonkar, Intern Attorney-Present |
| OS-0614-02 | <p><u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u></p> <p>Acceptance of the June 14, 2021 Open Session Agenda.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u></p> <p>Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice accept the Open Session Agenda for June 14, 2021. Seconded by Ms. Kristin Spivey.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u></p> <p>Ms. Kristin Spivey and Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> |

| MINUTES AND STAFF REPORTS | |
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| OS-0614-03 | <p><u>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DC Health/HRLA Operational status remains in a telework posture due to COVID-19 and staff will be returning into the office 2-3 days a week starting July 12, 2021. • Online licensure is now available to the public and no we are longer accepting paper application effective June 14, 2021. • Online application process may take 30-120 days to be processed. • Ms. Nixon introduced Ms. Tamika Wells as new Health Licensing Specialist(HLS) for the Board and thanked Ms. Fatima Abby for acting as an Interim HLS for the Board. • Ms. Nixon informed the board that interviews will be occurring for the new Executive Director. • Ms. Nixon informed the Board that the Associate Director, Mr. Frank Meyers is in communication with the Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments regarding the number of vacancies of the board. • Ms. Nixon informed the Board that all final HORA recommendation needs to be submitted before July 8, 2021. Ms. Spivey will be the delegated member for the subcommittee. |
| OS-0614-04 | <p><u>BOARD ATTORNEY’S REPORT:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Boone informed the Board that this meeting will be his last meeting. He thanked the Board for all of their assistance during his brief tenure. • Mr. Boone provided an update on the Health Occupation Revision Act related to the Criminal Background Check. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HORA is pending criminal history review DC 3-1205.03. The Board cannot deny an applicant of an offense that did not occur while practicing. DC will be the only jurisdiction to approve applicants if vote succeeds. |
| OS-0614-05 | <p><u>BOARD CHAIR’S REPORT:</u></p> <p>No reports from the Chair. Chairperson, Spivey wished Mr. Boone and Ms. Nixon the best on their future endeavors and that they will be</p> |

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| | missed. In addition, she thanked Ms. Abby for her service and welcomed Ms. Wells to the team. | |
| OS-0614-06 | <p><u>OPEN SESSION MINUTES:</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the Open Session minutes from the March 15, 2021, meeting.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to accept the Open Session minutes from the March 15, 2021. Seconded by Ms. Kristin Spivey.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Kristin Spivey and Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously</p> | |

DISCUSSION ITEMS

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| OS-0614-07 | <p><u>HEALTH OCCUPATION REVISION ACT (HORA) REVISION</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to review and provide recommendations revising the HORA related to the professionals' scope of practices.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to table this matter and delegate the review to the Board Chairperson to provide final recommendations for the Board. Seconded by Ms. Kristin Spivey.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Kristin Spivey, Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |
| OS-0614-08 | <p><u>DETERMINATION FOR AUDIOLOGY SERVICES</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to review the request from Academy of Doctors of Audiology regarding what is part of the DC audiology scope of practice.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to table the matter and delegate to the Board Chair to review and provide recommendations which will be</p> | |

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| | <p>reviewed and voted on at the next board meeting. Seconded by Ms. Kristin Spivey.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Kristin Spivey, Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |
| OS-0614-09 | <p><u>ADMINISTRATIVE FEE SCHEDULE</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Review and determine whether to approve the draft assessment fee schedule.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to adopt Physical Therapy Administration Fee Schedule for the Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology. Seconded by Ms. Kristin Spivey.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Kristin Spivey and Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |
| OS-0614-10 | <p><u>NEW ETS PRAXIS TEST ADOPTIONS: AUDIOLOGY (5343)</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> The Board is to determine whether the current exam (Praxis Audiology 5343) will be accepted by the Board until August 31, 2021, or until it discontinues.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to accept both exams until exam 5342 is discontinued in September 2021. Seconded by Ms. Kristin Spivey.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Kristin Spivey and Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |

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| OS-0614-11 | <p><u>INQUIRY FROM THE PUBLIC</u></p> <p><u>Board Actions:</u> The Board is to confirm whether the information provided to the partitioner was accurate.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Ms. Kristin Spivey approving the staff members responses regarding cognitive screening not being part of current the Audiology scope of practice in the HORA. Seconded by Dr. Angela Grice.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Kristin Spivey and Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |
| OS-0614-12 | <p><u>OPEN SESSION CONSENT AGENDA</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> Consideration of the applications approved for purposes of review and/or ratification of Board actions taken since the last Board meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> The Consent Agenda is a record of the decisions and/or actions taken by the Board or its staff since the last meeting of the Board.</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to accept the June 14, 2021 Open Session Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Ms. Kristin Spivey.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Kristin Spivey and Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> | |

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| OS-0614-13 | <p><u>MOTION TO CLOSE</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To go into closed session to discuss confidential matters as permitted in DC Official Code § 2-575(b).</p> <p><u>Background:</u> Chairperson, I move that the Board close the Open Public session portion of the meeting and move into the Closed Executive Session portion of the meeting pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 2-575(b) for the following purposes: to discuss disciplinary matters pursuant to § 2-575(b)(9); to seek the advice of counsel to the board, to preserve the attorney-client privilege, or to approve settlement agreements pursuant to § 2-575(b)(4); and to plan, discuss, or hear reports concerning ongoing or planned investigations pursuant to § 2-575(b)(14).”</p> <p><u>Motion:</u> Motion made by Dr. Angela Grice to close the Open Session portion of the meeting at 10:34 AM. Seconded by Ms. Kristin Spivey.</p> <p><u>Vote:</u> Ms. Kristin Spivey and Dr. Angela Grice voted in favor of the motion. The motion passed unanimously.</p> |
| OS-0614-14 | <p><u>MOTION TO ADJOURN</u></p> <p><u>Board Action:</u> To adjourn the meeting.</p> <p><u>Background:</u> At the end of every meeting, a motion to adjourn must be made in open session to close out the business of the Board.</p> |

This ends the Open Session Agenda, next meeting is scheduled for September 13, 2021

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