

Board of Registration for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
1000 Washington Street 1st Floor Room 1A, Boston, MA 02118
DATE: December 16, 2019 TIME: 9:30 a.m.

Public Session Minutes

Board Members Present:

Nicole Laffan (NL)
Lauren Woller Mummolo (LWM)
Donna Noonan (DN)

Staff Present:

Michael Hawley, Executive Director
Lynn Read, Board Counsel

Members of the Public Present:

Fred Marco

Housekeeping

- Meeting Called to Order: At 9:40 a.m., NL called meeting to order.
- Facility Briefing (fire drill instructions & location of exits and restrooms): Procedures reviewed by Michael Hawley, Executive Director

Board Business

- Approve Minutes
 - Minutes of 10/4/2019 meeting.
Ms. Noonan moved to approve the minutes of the 10/4/2019 meeting as amended. Dr. Laffan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Election of Board Officers.
Tabled pending appointment of new board members.
- Report from Executive Director, Michael Hawley
 - Mr. Hawley reported that the conversion to paperless renewals only is complete and as of the March renewal period only electronic renewals will be accepted. The conversion to paperless licensure applications is in progress.
- Report from Board Counsel, Lynn Read
 - Ms. Read's comments will be made during discussion of agenda items.

Reinstatement request from Fred Marco.

- Because this topic involves consideration of confidential medical information, the Board agreed to review this request in Executive Session.

Executive Session [Closed session pursuant to G.L. c. 30A § 21(a)(1)]:

At 9:46 am, Dr. Laffan moved to enter Executive Session [Closed session pursuant to G.L. c. 30A § 21(a)(1)]: to consider confidential information pursuant to Mr. Marco's request for reinstatement. Ms. Woller Mummolo seconded. Motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – "yes"; Ms. Woller Mummolo – "yes"; Ms. Noonan – "yes"

See separate minutes.

At the end of the closed session, the open meeting resumed.

Discussion

- **Review of Board's Regulations for Potential Changes:** The Board discussed potential changes to the regulations, including the possible addition of telepractice to the regulation.
- CORI Policy and Delegations – Tabled

Correspondence

- Scope of Practice for Audiology Assistants and SLP Assistants - Tabled

Open session for topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of the meeting:

- There were no unanticipated topics discussed.

Motion to adjourn. At 10:45, NL moved to adjourn the meeting. DN seconded. Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Hawley", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Michael Hawley
Executive Director

Documents Used in the Open Meeting:

- Agenda
- Draft minutes for 10/4/2019 meeting
- Copy of Regulations 260 CMR 1.00 – 10.00