

**Board of Registration for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
Meeting Held by Video Conference and Phone
DATE: November 15, 2024, 2024 TIME: 1:00 p.m.**

Public Session Minutes

A public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (“the Board”) was held via Videoconference and Conference Call pursuant to section 40 of chapter 2 of the acts of 2023, signed into law on March 29, 2023.

Board Members Present by video or phone:

Nicole Laffan
Sarah Young-Hong
Kristin Bresnahan
Gabrielle Simone

Staff Present by video or phone:

Thomas Burke, Executive Director
Sheila York, Board Counsel
Monique Brown, Board Staff
Margaret McKenna, Board Staff
Isaac Badner, Board Intern

Board Members Not Present:

Donna Noonan

Housekeeping

- Board chair called meeting to order at 1:13 pm.
- Roll Call Vote for Attendance
Dr. Laffan established a quorum via calling attendance: Dr. Laffan, Dr. Bresnahan, Dr. Simone. All members present participated remotely via Cisco Webex.

Board Business

- Review of Public Session Agenda: November 15, 2024
Dr. Laffan moved to accept the public session agenda as written. Dr. Bresnahan seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Not Present”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Yes”; Dr. Simone – “Yes”; Ms. Noonan – “Not Present.”
- Public session minutes for October 7, 2024
Dr. Laffan moved to accept the public session minutes as written. Dr. Bresnahan seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Not Present”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Yes”; Dr. Simone – “Yes”; Ms. Noonan – “Not Present.”

Correspondence

- Correspondence regarding SLPA supervision – The Board chair provided board staff a response regarding SLPA supervision. No vote was taken. Read and filed.

Ms. Young-Hong joined the meeting at 1:21 pm.

Board Discussion

Proposed amendments to 260 CMR 1.00, 260 CMR 2.00 and 801 CMR 4.00: Post-public comment period review and approval of wording of final proposed regulation – VOTE

Board Counsel presented to the Board a transcript of public comments received at the October 31, 2024 public hearing in support of the creation of provisional licensure for speech-language pathologists in Massachusetts. She advised the Board on minor stenographic edits to the regulations and presented them for board review and discussion. After discussion, the Board took the following action:

Dr. Laffan moved to adopt the proposed regulation 260 CMR 1.00 as presented as the Board’s final regulation and authorized staff to obtain required administration approvals and deliver the final regulations to the secretary of state’s office. Ms. Young-Hong seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Yes”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Yes”; Dr. Simone – “Yes”; Ms. Noonan – “Not Present.”

Dr. Laffan moved to adopt the proposed regulation 260 CMR 2.00 as presented as the Board’s final regulation and to authorize staff to obtain required administration approvals and deliver the final regulations to the secretary of state’s office. Dr. Bresnahan seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Yes”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Yes”; Dr. Simone – “Yes”; Ms. Noonan – “Not Present.”

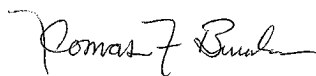
Dr. Laffan moved to adopt the proposed regulation 801 CMR 4.02 as presented as the Administration and Finances final regulation and authorize staff to obtain the required administration approvals and deliver the final regulations to the Secretary of State’s office. Dr. Simone seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Yes”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Yes”; Dr. Simone – “Yes”; Ms. Noonan – “Not Present.”

Dr. Simone left the meeting at 1:30 pm.

Adjournment

At 1:32 pm, Dr. Laffan moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Bresnahan seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Yes”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Yes”; Dr. Simone – “Not Present”; Ms. Noonan – “Not Present.”

Respectfully Submitted,



Thomas F. Burke
Executive Director

Documents used in the general session meeting:

- Speech Board Agenda November 15, 2024
- Speech Board Meeting General Session Minutes October 7, 2024

- Correspondence regarding SLPA supervision from A. Chesin
- Notice of public hearing on 260 CMR 1.00, 260 CMR 2.00
- Notice of public hearing on 801 CMR 4.02
- Redline 260 CMR 1.00
- Redline 260 CMR 2.00
- Excerpted redline 801 CMR 4.02
- List of the public comments received at the public hearing
- Files of the public comments received at the public hearing