

**Board of Registration for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology**  
**Meeting Held by Video Conference and Phone**  
**DATE: June 2, 2025 TIME: 9:30 a.m.**

**General Session Minutes**

**A public meeting of the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology (“the Board”) was held via WebEx.**

**Board Members Present by video or phone:**

Nicole Laffan, Board Chair  
Gabrielle Simone  
Sarah Young-Hong

**Staff Present by video or phone:**

Thomas F. Burke, Executive Director  
Sheila York, Board Counsel  
Monique Brown, Board Staff  
Margaret McKenna, Board Staff  
Lisa Park, Board Intern

**Board Members Not Present by video or phone:**

Kristin Bresnahan, Board Secretary

**Administrative Tasks**

- Board chair called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.
- Roll Call Vote for Attendance

Dr. Laffan established a quorum via calling attendance: Dr. Simone, Ms. Young-Hong, Dr. Laffan. All members present participated remotely via Cisco Webex.

**Board Business**

- Review of General Session Agenda: June 2, 2025

**Dr. Laffan moved to accept the general session agenda as written. Dr. Simone seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Yes.” Dr. Simone – “Yes”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Not Present”.**

- General session minutes for April 7, 2025

**Dr. Laffan moved to accept the April 7, 2025 general session minutes. Dr. Simone seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Yes.” Dr. Simone – “Yes”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Not Present”.**

**Discussion**

- Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology—Interstate Compact (ASLP—IC)
  - Susan Adams, Director, State Legislative & Regulatory Affairs for the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA)
  - Adele Raade, Vice President of Advocacy - Massachusetts Speech-Language-Hearing Association (MSHA)

Susan Adams (ASHA) and Adele Raade (MSHA) presented policy goals and legislative efforts related to the interstate practice of speech-language pathology and audiology. The

compact requires state licensure and preserves state autonomy. Licensees must meet the same educational and clinical requirements to practice and maintain licensure in good standing. The compact will issue practice privileges to onboarding states on September 30, 2025.

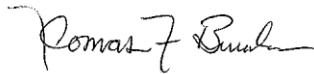
- Continuing education procedures for a lapsed/expired license

The Board discussed continuing education requirements for applicants seeking to reactivate a lapsed license who maintain licensure in good standing in another state or jurisdiction. After discussion, the Board directed staff to present a draft of continuing education procedures for applicants with an expired license at a subsequent meeting. No vote was taken.

### **Adjourn General Session**

**At 10:42 a.m., Dr. Laffan moved to adjourn the general session meeting to review cases for investigative conference in closed session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 112, § 65C. Ms. Young-Hong seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Dr. Laffan – “Yes”; Ms. Young-Hong – “Yes.” Dr. Simone – “Yes”; Dr. Bresnahan – “Not Present”.**

Respectfully Submitted,



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Thomas F. Burke  
Executive Director

### **Documents used in the general session meeting:**

- Speech Board General Session Agenda for June 2, 2025
- Speech Board Meeting General Session Minutes for April 7, 2025
- PowerPoint presentation on the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact (ASLP—IC)
- 260 CMR 5.00: Renewal Procedures