

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
AND AUDIOLOGY
Professional Licensing Board
237 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31217
June 11, 2012
10:00 a.m.
Board Meeting**

The Board Meeting for the Georgia State Board of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology was held on, June 11, 2012, at the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board members were present:	Others Present:
Lori Smith, AUD, President Melanie Blackwood, SLP Andrea Boswell, SLP- Via Tele Conference Holly Kaplan, AUD Robin Bohannon, SLP	Janet Wray, Sr. Attorney General Tanja D. Battle, Executive Director

Rules Hearing

Lori Smith called the rules hearing to order at 10:05 a.m. The hearing was held to consider changes to Board Rule 609-4.05 – Assessment Practices. No written comments or verbal comments were received for the hearing. The Board Rule Hearing was adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Open Session

Lori Smith established that a quorum was present and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. was called to order at 10:10 a.m.

Rule 609-4-.05 Assessment Practices-

Robin Bohannon moved to adopt Rule 609-4-.05 Assessment Practice; Andrea Boswell seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

Review of April 16, 2012 Conference Call Board meeting minutes.

Holly Kaplan moved to approve the minutes with amendments. Robin Bohannon seconded the motion and the Board voted in favor of the minutes.

Ratify list of licenses

Holly Kaplan moved to ratify the list of licenses. Robin Bohannon seconded the motion and the Board voted in favor of ratifying the list of licenses issued since the last meeting.

Discussion on internet hearing aid purchases-

Lori Smith suggested that the Board revisit Rule 609-13-.01 Telecommunications in response to the increase in consumer purchasing of hearing aids via internet sites from individuals. Often consumers are taking such purchased hearing aids to practitioners asking the latter to make them

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
AND AUDIOLOGY
Professional Licensing Board
237 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31217
June 11, 2012
10:00 a.m.
Board Meeting**

work. Discussion ensued. The Board stated this rule would be discussed at the next board meeting for possible revision to address the growing concern of internet purchasing of hearing aids.

Discussion of SLP Aide Rule changes and forms

Tabled until the August meeting.

Executive Director's Report -Open Session – Ms. Tanja D. Battle

Ms. Battle had no report.

Attorney General's Report- Open Session- Ms. Janet Wray

Ms. Wray explained to the Board recent changes regarding the Open Meetings Act as they relate to the deliberations of the Board in Executive Session and how such are reflected in minutes for both Open and Executive Sessions. Ms. Wray also indicated that advice from the AG's office to the Board was now considered privileged and thus could be discussed in Executive session. In the past, such advice, including any memos of advice, was considered public. Ms. Wray suggested the Board members read HB 397 for all the changes.

Miscellaneous

Melanie Blackwood moved to accept the changes on the state approval list; Robin Bohannon seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

Melanie Blackwood made a motion, Robin Bohannon seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A §43-1-2(k) to deliberate on applications and O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2) to review complaints. Voting in favor of the motion were those present including Melanie Blackwood, Robin Bohannon, Andrea Boswell, Holly Kaplan and Lori Smith.

Executive Session

Appointments:

10:30 a.m. – F.D.B – the Board conducted an interview.

Applications:

The following applications were discussed:

1. K.M.M. – PCE Temporary Application

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
AND AUDIOLOGY
Professional Licensing Board
237 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31217
June 11, 2012
10:00 a.m.
Board Meeting**

2. K.N.S. – Speech Pathologist Aide Application
3. T.L.L. – Speech Pathologist Aide Application
4. K.D.S. – Speech Pathologist Aide Application
5. J.S. – Speech Pathologist Aide Application
6. M.A.C. –Speech Language Pathologist Aide Application
7. J.M.K. –Speech Aide Application
8. K.A.C. – Reinstatement Application

Executive Director’s Report- Ms. Tanja D. Battle

Attorney General’s Report- Ms. Janet Wray

- F.D.B

Miscellaneous

Lori Smith declared the meeting back in Open Session.

Open Session

The Board voted on deliberations made in Executive Session as follows:

1. F. D. B. –Melanie Blackwood moved to approve without disciplinary action and rescind referral to AG’s office; Robin Bohannon seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.
2. K.M.M. Robin Bohannon moved to approve; Holly Kaplan seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.
3. K.N.S. – Speech Pathologist Aide Application – Melanie Blackwood moved to approve; Robin Bohannon seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.
4. T.L.L. – Speech Pathologist Aide Application – Melanie Blackwood moved to deny; Holly Kaplan seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.
5. K.D.S. – Speech Pathologist Aide Application – Melanie Blackwood moved to approve; Robin Bohannon seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.
6. J.S. – Speech Pathologist Aide Application – Holly Kaplan moved to approve pending list of what her activities will be; Robin Bohannon seconded and the Board voted to approve the motion.
7. M.A.C. –Speech Language Pathologist Aide – Melanie Blackwood moved to approve pending clarification of duties listed in #3 and #4 on the application; Holly Kaplan seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
AND AUDIOLOGY
Professional Licensing Board
237 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31217
June 11, 2012
10:00 a.m.
Board Meeting**

Holly Kaplan made a motion; Melanie Blackwood seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A §43-1-2(k) to deliberate on applications. Voting in favor of the motion were those present including Melanie Blackwood, Robin Bohannon, Andrea Boswell, Holly Kaplan and Lori Smith.

Executive Session

The following applications were discussed:

8. J.M.K. –Speech Aide Applicant
9. K.A.C. – Reinstatement Application

Lori Smith declared the meeting back in Open Session.

Open Session

The Board voted on deliberations made in Executive Session as follows:

J.M.K-Speech Aide Application- Robin Bohannon moved to deny application; Melanie Blackwood seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

K.A.C.- Holly Kaplan moved to approve the reinstatement application; Robin Bohannon seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

Holly Kaplan made a motion; Robin Bohannon seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A §43-1-2(k) to deliberate on applications. Voting in favor of the motion were those present including Melanie Blackwood, Robin Bohannon, Andrea Boswell, Holly Kaplan and Lori Smith.

Executive Session

The following application was discussed.

10. Y.K.R— Speech Language Aide Applicant

Lori Smith declared the meeting back in Open Session.

Open Session

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY
AND AUDIOLOGY
Professional Licensing Board
237 Coliseum Drive
Macon, GA 31217
June 11, 2012
10:00 a.m.
Board Meeting**

The Board voted on deliberations made in Executive Session as follows:

Y.K.R. - Melanie Blackwood moved to approve application pending clarification of activities and location; Holly Kaplan seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

Minutes recorded, reviewed and edited by: Tanja D. Battle, Executive Director
