

**GEORGIA BOARD OF
SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY
Conference Call/ZOOM Board Meeting Minutes
May 24, 2021 8:30 AM**

The Georgia Board of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology met via teleconference on Monday, May 24, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. The Board's Executive Director hosted the meeting from the Professional Licensing Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

Board Members Present:

Robin Alverson, Au.D., Chair
Alice Cellino, Au.D.
Kelley Claas, Speech Language Pathologist
Leigh Hunnicutt, Speech Language Pathologist
Amy Arnold, Speech Language Pathologist
Douglas E. Mattox, MD

Board Members Absent:

Tracy Jordan, Consumer Member
Robin Hardin, Audiologist

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist
Sarah Collett, Licensing Analyst
Amanda Allen, Licensing Supervisor

Office of Attorney General:

Mary Brannen, Esq., AAG

Robin Alverson, Chair, established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 8:38 a.m.

Oath of Office – New Board Members:

- Amy Arnold, SLP – Replaces Vince Clark
- Douglas Mattox, Board Certified Otolaryngologist

The Board would like to welcome new Board member appointments Amy Arnold, Speech Language Pathologist and Mr. Douglas Mattox, Board Certified Otolaryngologist. New members Mattox and Arnold were administered the Oath of Office at the start of today's Board meeting.

Agenda: Approved with no additional items

Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact (ASLP-IC)

Governor Brian Kemp recently signed into law the Georgia Interstate Compact Bill for the Georgia Board of Speech Language Pathology and Audiology.

ASLP-IC facilitates the interstate practice of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology while maintaining state oversight of the profession and offering enhanced public protection. They have requested the Board to appoint two Board members, one Audiologist and one Speech Language Pathologist to represent the Board on the ASLP-IC Commission.

Dr. Alice Cellino volunteered to accept the position as the Audiologist. However, due to all newly appointed SLP members, they will table the decision for the delegation of the SLP position, to allow the new members to become more familiar with the roles of being a member of the Board and to become more secure of accepting the position as the SLP delegate.

Ms. Cellino motioned, Ms. Arnold seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) and § 43-1-19 (h) to receive and review information pertaining renewal issues. Voting in favor of the motion were those Board members present: Alverson, Jordan, Cellino, Hunnicutt, Claas and Mattox.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Monday, May 24, 2021, Dr. Alverson declared the Board meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

Renewal Issues:

- K.A-W.

Recommendation:

Tabled, pending receipt of additional information

Ms. Claas motioned, Mr. Mattox seconded, and the Board voted to table the above renewal issue upon receipt of the documentation as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

With no further discussion required, the Board meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Linsey Joiner, Board Support Specialist

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

ROBIN ALVERSON

Chair

BRIG ZIMMERMAN

Executive Director

Minutes approved July 19, 2021