A regular Board meeting of the Kentucky Licensing Board for Specialists in Hearing Instruments was held in conjunction with the Mid-America Conference, in Lexington, Kentucky on June 4, 2010.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Steve Clark
Charlie Robinette
Mike Stone
Lisa Brown
Brian Schreiner
Gerry Gordon-Brown

OCCUPATIONS & PROFESSIONS STAFF
Carolyn Benedict, Board Administrator
Angela Evans – Assistant Attorney General

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT
Greg Osetinsky, M.D
Arthur Azar
Dr. William Brown

CALL TO ORDER
Mr. Clark called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Mr. Stone made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 1, 2010 Board meeting. Ms. Gordon-Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Following review of the financial statement Mr. Robinette made a motion to accept the financial statement as submitted. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT
No Director’s Report was given.

OLD BUSINESS
Mr. Clark reported that he was continuing to work on revising the Laws and Regulations portion of the exam and asked Mr. Stone if he would assist him as well.

Ms. Evans reported that she was finalizing the regulation regarding continuing education.

NEW BUSINESS
Correspondence from Brad Ferguson was reviewed. Mr. Ferguson was asking that his absence from the August exam not be counted as a “fail.” Mr. Ferguson is getting married and will be on his honeymoon. He also asked that he be allowed to take the remaining portion of the exam on an alternative date and location. Following discussion, Mr. Stone made a motion that the August absence not be counted as a fail and that Mr. Ferguson be allowed to take the exam two additional times. The motion further stated that the exam would not be given on an alternative date or location. Mr. Schreiner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Correspondence from James Ward was reviewed. Mr. Ward was requesting copies of the answer sheets from the Defective Aids Practical Exam. He has taken that portion of the exam on four different occasions with a failing score. He is requesting copies of the answer sheets so that he can be assured that poor handwriting hadn’t affected the scoring. In addition, Mr. Ward was asking if he could enter into an apprenticeship in Stage III because of the fact that he had 14 years of experience in the field. The Board members that had scored the exams stated that the handwriting had been legible and that poor handwriting had not been an issue. Following discussion Mr. Robinette made a motion that Mr. Ward be sent a letter stating that due to giving the answer sheets to him would compromise the security of the exams and that each exam sheet had been reviewed by more than one person. The motion also stated that Mr. Ward could not enter into an apprenticeship in Stage III. Ms. Gordon-Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried.
COMPLAINTS
The following report was made by the complaint committee.

09-011A – Notice of Hearing and formal charges filed – Ongoing
09-011B – Notice of Hearing and formal charges filed – Ongoing
10-01 – Dismissed
10-02 – Dismissed
10-03 – Dismissed

APPLICATION REVIEW
Mr. Stone made a motion that the following be approved:

Approved to Sit for August 6, 2010 Exam
Murad Al-Momani
Richard Polhill

Apprentice Permit Approved
Joseph Donchatz – under the sponsorship of Marsha Mattingly
Jeffrey W. Driscoll – under the sponsorship of Melanie Driscoll
Hugh M. Sims, III – under the sponsorship of Catherine Harston
Claude A. Tudor – under the sponsorship of David Kimbel

Mr. Schreiner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

CONTINUING EDUCATION
Ms. Brown made a motion that the following application for continuing education be approved for 5 hours:

American Academy of Audiology – American Academy of Audiology’s Annual Convention: Audiology NOW! 2010
Beltone – ProFit 2010
Beltone – BelTech – Modification and Repair
Beltone – 2010 Beltone National Meeting

Ms. Schreiner seconded the motion. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL & PER DIEM
Mr. Robinette made a motion to approve the travel and per diem. The motion was seconded by Mr. Stone. The motion carried.

NEXT MEETING
Next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 5, 2010. Complaint Committee will meet at 1:00 p.m. Board meeting will meet at 2:00 p.m. Exams to be given on Friday, August 6, 2010.

ADJOURNMENT
Having no further business before the Board, Mr. Schreiner made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 4:50 p.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Gordon-Brown. The motion carried.

Prepared by Carolyn Benedict
June 21, 2010