

KENTUCKY LICENSING BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2025
10:30 a.m.

A board meeting of the Kentucky Licensing Board for Specialists in Hearing Instruments was hosted by the Department of Professional Licensing in Frankfort, KY.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Teresa Somody
Lisa Nelson Brown
Anthony Milliano
Charles Chapman
Steven Clark

DPL STAFF

Jamar Carter, Executive Staff Advisor
Chelsey Moye, Board Administrator
Jenna Wells, Fiscal Section Administrator
Kristen Lawson, DPL Commissioner

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Arun Gadre
Larry Brown
David Kimbel

OTHERS

Daniel Leffel, Office of Legal Services
Catherine Falconer, Office of Legal Services

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 10:32am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The board meeting minutes from December 12, 2024, were reviewed. Ms. Nelson-Brown made the motion to accept the minutes. Ms. Somody seconded and the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial reports for December 2024 and January, February, March, April, May 2025 were reviewed.

DPL REPORT

There was no update at this time.

BOARD ATTORNEY REPORT

Mr. Leffel introduced himself to the board. He reported that he will be the long term attorney for this board.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Clark asked if the regulation change has been made since it was sent to LRC. Ms. Falconer stated that she

and Mr. Leffel would look into what stage the regulation is in. Mr. Clark asked to keep this on the old business so it doesn't get lost in transition.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Carter made the board aware for future conference meetings need to be submitted in a timely manner for official approval and reimbursement. The board had no issues with this concern.

The board discussed the matter of if an approved course could help apprentices skip stages 1 & 2. The board motioned to deny the request of two individuals seeking approval. Mr. Milliano motioned to accept the denials, seconded by Mr. Chapman, motion carried.

COMPLAINTS

The complaints committee reviewed the following complaints:

- 2024HIS00002
- 2024HIS00004
- 2025HIS00001
- 2025HIS00002
- 2025HIS00004

The complaints committee motions to dismiss complaint 2025HIS00001 and all other complaints there will be no actions made on the complaints for today's meeting, seconded by Ms. Nelson-Brown, motion carried.

APPLICATIONS.

The Applications Committee brought to the board the motion to ratify the following approvals:

- 15 Apprentice Application - approvals for permits
- 0 Individual Application -
- 2 Individual Application (Reciprocity)- approved
- 5 Renewal Application – approved
- 1 CEU Application – approved
- 0 Supervisor Change-

Mr. Chapman made a motion to accept the approvals from the applications committee, seconded by Mr. Milliano, motion carried.

Mr. Milliano made a motion to move into closed session at 11:06 a.m. Mr. Chapman seconded the motion and it carried. Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(j) for deliberation of quasi-judicial bodies regarding application and complaints at which information protected by KRS 61.810(k) may be discussed.

Mr. Chapman made a motion to move into open session at 11:19am. Ms. Somody second the motion, and the motion carried. The board motions to defer a apprentice application and the attorney will draft a deferred application letter including wanting additional information. Ms. Somody made a motion to accept the deferral letter, seconded by Ms. Nelson-brown, motion carried.

Mr. Chapman made a motion to approve the apprentice applications, seconded by Mr. Milliano, and motion carried.

Ms. Nelson-Brown made a motion to approve the individual license applications, seconded by Mr. Milliano, and it carried.

Mr. Chapman made a motion to approval renewals and reinstatement applications, seconded by Mr. Milliano, and motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL & PER DIEM

Ms. Somody motioned to approve per diem expenses for today's meeting. Mr. Milliano seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next board meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2025, at 10:30am, with the state board exam at 1pm. Complaints committee will meet at 10:00am.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Nelson-Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:31am. Mr. Chapman seconded the motion and it carried.

Steve Clark, Chair