

KENTUCKY LICENSING BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 11th, 2020
9:00 a.m.

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Travis Corder
Faron Blakeman
William Brown
Greg Thompson
Ryan Broyles
David Kimbel

DPL STAFF

Dr. Michael Newman, Commissioner
Christie Kline, Board Administrator

OTHERS

Chris Hunt, Board Counsel, Office of Legal Services

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Arun Gadre
Allision M. Cummins Caruso
Lisa Nelson Brown

CALL TO ORDER

Travis Corder called the meeting to order at 09:01am

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the October 23rd, 2020 meeting were reviewed. William Brown motioned to approve the minutes. Greg Thompson seconded the motion and it carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report for October 2020 and November 2020 were reviewed.

DPL REPORT

Commissioner Michael Newman brought to the board that the department would be watching the upcoming legislative session for any implications for the board.

BOARD ATTORNEY REPORT

Chris Hunt brought to the board BR244 for discussion.

OLD BUSINESS

Travis Corder brought to the board the incorrect board address in statute and regulation for discussion. Chris Hunt brought to the board that a technical amendment could be drafted to accomplish the correction. Greg

Thompson motioned that Chris Hunt draft a technical amendment to correct the board address in statute and regulation. David Kimbel seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Greg Thompson reported to the Board that changes impacting state oversight of Over the Counter sales could happen by late 2021.

Chris Hunt brought to the board cerumen management for discussion. Chris Hunt clarified to the board that licensees can engage in cerumen management.

NEW BUSINESS

Travis Corder brought to the board inactive licensure status for discussion. Greg Thompson motioned for the chair to form a committee to investigate inactive licensure and to bring its findings back to the board. Ryan Broyles seconded the motion, and the motion carried. William Brown motioned to amend the motion so that the chair would select the members of the committee. Greg Thompson seconded the amendment to the motion, and the amendment to the motion carried.

Christie Kline brought to the board an inquiry from a licensee regarding calibration certificate. Ryan Broyles motioned that the licensee be required to submit a signed, notarized statement. David Kimbel seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Christie Kline brought to the board the time period from submission of applications until state board exam, for audiologists and out of state licensed applicants who apply for initial licensure, for discussion. The board stated that Audiologist and out of state licensed applicants who apply for initial licensure have 12 months from the time of filing of application to take the state board exam.

Christie Kline brought to the board a renewal request inquiry for discussion. David Kimbel motioned that the licensee will have until 6 months after the end of the state of emergency to fulfill the requirements. Ryan Broyles seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COMPLAINTS

Travis Corder brought to the board the following updates from the Complaints Committee:
2019HIS00005 – open complaint. Pending response from licensee.
2020HIS00002 – open complaint. Pending response from licensee.

APPLICATIONS

The Applications Committee brought to the board the following approvals for ratification:

- 2 Apprentice Application approvals
- 1 CEU Application approval
- 2 Individual Applications approvals to sit for the state board exam

William Brown motioned to ratify the approvals. David Kimbel seconded the motion, and the motion carried

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL & PER DIEM

David Kimbel motioned to approve travel and per diem expenses. Faron Blakeman seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

The next board meeting is scheduled for February 11th, 2021 at 9am, with the state board exam at 1pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Travis Corder motioned to adjourn. Ryan Broyles second the motion, and the motion carried. Travis Corder adjourned the meeting at 10:21am

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Travis Corder".

Travis Corder, Chair