

KENTUCKY LICENSING BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 08, 2024 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**

David Kimbel  
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  
Allison Cummins-Caruso

**OTHERS**

Clay Patrick, Office of Legal Services  
Sara Janes, Office of Legal Services

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**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Clark called the meeting to order at 10:34am.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The board meeting minutes from June 13, 2024, were reviewed. Ms. Somody made the motion to accept the minutes. Ms. Nelson-Brown seconded and the motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial reports for June 2024 and July 2024 were reviewed.

**DPL REPORT**

There was no update at this time.

**BOARD ATTORNEY REPORT**

There was no update at this time.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business to discuss at this time.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Kimbel has stepped down from being board chair as his term has expired. He will stay on the board until a new member has been appointed. Therefore, Ms. Somody nominated Steve Clark as the board chair. Mr.,

Kimbel made the motion to accept Steve Clark as the new board chair. Ms. Somody seconded, and the motion carried. A new vice chair needed to be named since Mr. Clark is not the board chair. Ms. Nelson-brown nominated Teresa Somody to be the Vice Chair. Mr. Kimbel made a motion to accept Ms. Somody as the vice chair. Mr. Clark seconded, and the motion carried.

### **COMPLAINTS**

The complaints committee reviewed the business complaint. The committee motions to dismiss the complaint and send a letter to complainant that the complaint is dismissed as the board does not entertain any complaints on companies that if there was a certain person. / Licensee they could resend the complaint in with that information for the board to review. Ms., Janes will draft the dismissal letter. Seconded by Ms. Nelson-Brown, motioned carried.

### **APPLICATIONS.**

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

- 15 Apprentice Application - approvals for permits
- 2 Individual Application -
- 0 Individual Application • 1 Renewal Application – approved
- 0 CEU Application –
- 0 Supervisor Change-

Mr. Clark from the applications committee made a motion to accept the approvals. Ms. Nelson-Brown seconded the motion and it carried.

Mr. Milliano made a motion to move into closed session at 10:43 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.

Ms. Somody moves to come into open session at 10:50am. Mr. Clark seconded the motion and it carried. Mr. Milliano made a motion to accept the renewal due to the licensee's life circumstances. Mr. Kimbel seconded the motion and the motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL & PER DIEM**

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

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2024, at 10:30am, with the state board exam at 1pm. Complaints committee will meet at 10:00am, if needed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Nelson-Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:55am. Mr. Chapman seconded the motion and it carried.



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**Steve Clark, Chair**