

KENTUCKY LICENSING BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 14, 2023
10:30 a.m.

A special 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
David Kimbel
Charles Chapman
Allison Cummins-Caruso
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

OTHERS

Clay Patrick, Office of Legal Services

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Kimbel called the meeting to order at 10:36am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The board minutes and complaints committee minutes from October 10, 2023, meetings were reviewed. Mr. Milliano motioned to approve the minutes. Mr. Clark seconded the motion and the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial reports for October, November 2023 were reviewed.

DPL REPORT

No update from DPL at this time.

BOARD ATTORNEY REPORT

There was no update at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

Board Administrator presented the two quotes from Audiometric Services for calibration and a new audiometer. The board decided to get the current audiometer calibrated and chose not to pursue a new audiometer. Ms. Cummins-Caruso agreed to take the audiometer when hers gets calibrated this week.

NEW BUSINESS

Board Administrator presented the exam finalization from IHS for the ILE exam. Mr. Milliano proposed to the board to consider emitting the written portions of the state exams for earmold and audiometry since those are tested within the ILE exam. Mr. Kimbel, board chair, stated that is a question for the board attorney to make sure we would not need to rewrite a regulation in regard to this issue. Mr. Kimbel advised the board administrator to contact the board attorney to discuss this issue and place this on the agenda for February.

COMPLAINTS

There were no complaints at this time.

APPLICATIONS

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

- 1 Apprentice Application - approvals for permits
- 2 Individual Application - approvals to sit for the state board exam
- 0 Individual Application - approvals to be registered for the ILE and also sit for the state board exam
- 0 Renewal Application – approvals for licensed to be renewed
- 1 CEU Application – approvals
- 1 Supervisor Change- Approved

Mr. Clark made a motion to accept the approvals. Mr. Milliano seconded the motion and it carried.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL & PER DIEM

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

NEXT MEETING

The next board meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2024, at 10:30am, with the state board exam at 1pm.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Nelson-Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:59am. Mr. Clark seconded the motion and it carried.

David Kimbel, Chair