

KENTUCKY LICENSING BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2018
1:30 p.m.

A regular board meeting of the Kentucky Licensing Board for Specialists in Hearing Instruments was held at the Department of Professional Licensing located at 911 Leawood Drive in Frankfort, KY.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael Stone
Deanna Frazier
Faron Blakeman
Tobie Brown
Lisa Nelson Brown
Travis Corder
Gregory Thompson
Mike Hoagland

DPL STAFF

Isaac VanHoose, Commissioner
Aubrey Vaughan, Board Administrator

PPC STAFF

Carson Kerr, Legal Counsel

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Arun Gadre

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Stone called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the October 12, 2018 meeting were reviewed. Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the October minutes. Mr. Hoagland seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial reports for October and November were reviewed.

The Board also reviewed two investigative services bids. Ms. Nelson Brown made a motion to select the lower cost bid. Mr. Corder seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

DPL REPORT

Ms. Vaughan discussed with the Board the option of providing a licensure report to them to compare active, inactive, and applicant licensees. Ms. Vaughan will begin providing this at the Board's next meeting.

BOARD ATTORNEY REPORT

Mr. Kerr updated the Board on a potential forthcoming bill regarding occupational licensing reform. He also discussed with the Board the upcoming sunset of regulations that are seven years old, which will affect the Board in July 2019. The Board will need to write a letter preserving regulations it wants to keep.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Stone and Mr. Thompson, via the Legislative Review Committee, updated the board on FDA's over-the-counter sales regulations. Mr. Thompson reported that FDA is still formulating regulations.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed two email questions and provided answers.

The Board also proposed adding a Frequently Asked Questions section to the Board's website, and asked Ms. Vaughan to begin tracking common questions she receives.

Finally, Ms. Frazier announced she would be resigning from the Board, as her tenure in the Kentucky House of Representatives begins in January 2019.

COMPLAINTS

The Board recessed from 2:16-2:23 p.m. for the Complaints Committee to discuss with Ms. Tobie Brown her findings in the 2018INV investigation.

The Complaints Committee made the following recommendations:

2018HIS00002 – The Complaints Committee made a motion to dismiss the complaint because the Committee was satisfied with the response received. Mr. Hoagland seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

2018INV – The Complaints Committee made a motion to close the investigation based on its findings. Mr. Thompson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

APPLICATIONS

Three apprentice permit, four license, three renewal, and seven continuing education applications were reviewed. Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve all the applications, with the continuing education hours counting under the "5.0 hours from any source" category. Mr. Corder seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL & PER DIEM

Ms. Nelson Brown made a motion to approve travel and per diem expenses. Mr. Hoagland seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 9, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. at the Board office. Committees will meet at 12:30 p.m., with the regular meeting of the Board beginning at 1:30 p.m. The next exams are scheduled for April 12, 2019 at the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet at 8:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business before the Board, Mr. Stone adjourned the meeting at 2:42 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Aubrey Vaughan
December 17, 2018