

**KENTUCKY LICENSING BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**June 11, 2026
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
Lakyn Bastani
Charles Chapman
Steven Clark

DPL STAFF

Lyndsay Sipple, Executive Staff Advisor
Chelsey Moye, Former Board Administrator
Jenna Wells, Fiscal Section Administrator
Kristen Lawson, DPL Commissioner
Alyssa Meece, Board Administrator
Courtney Parker, Fiscal Administrative Supervisor

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Anthony Miliano

OTHERS

Catherine Falconer, Office of Legal Services
Bonnie Potter, Office of Legal Services

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Steve Clark called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The board meeting minutes from April 9, 2026, were reviewed. A motion was made by Ms. Nelson-Brown to accept the minutes, with a second by Ms. Somody and the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial reports for March 2026 and April 2026 were reviewed by the Board at 10:31 a.m. Ms. Wells advised there were no new updates at this time. Board Chair Clark inquired as to the status of the Board funds and Ms. Wells relayed funds were in good standing. Ms. Parker gave a brief on the FY27 Budget Review for the board and informed board members they may confer on the budget internally and if there are any suggestions to advise.

DPL REPORT

Commissioner Lawson briefed the board on the DPL Report with no new updates, other than the “Good News Stories” highlights and asked that board report any highlights in the HIS field that are positive and impactful.

BOARD ATTORNEY REPORT

Ms. Potter was introduced as the new attorney for the board.

OLD BUSINESS

Board Chair Clark opened discussion on the resolve of Mr. Miliano’s complaint from the April meeting. The board decided that a motion should be made for board specialist to work with board attorney draft a letter to licensee and complainant stating that the matter had been reviewed and closed with reasoning of closure and correct any verbiage errors in prior correspondence relating to the matter. A motion was made by Mr. Chapman to proceed with formal drafts and issuance of letters. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nelson-Brown and the motion carried at 10:45 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Nelson-Brown and Board Chair Clark opened a discussion on an HAK request asking for a list of licensees and respective addresses, as well as a list of accepted CEU’s for licensees/a list of updated courses for a Fall 2026 mailing list.

Ms. Falconer came into the meeting after the start, and a brief discussion was held on the deferred Complaints from April's meeting. Board Chair Clark motioned for the meeting to move into closed session to discuss deferred complaints and the motion carried. Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1) the deliberation of quasi-judicial bodies and pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) for discussion protected by state and federal law the Board entered closed session for deliberation at 10:59 a.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Somody and the motion carried. Mr. Clark called a motion to return to open session at 11:03 a.m. and ratify all the decisions made pertaining to April's deferred complaints. Mr. Chapman motioned to ratify and return to open session, seconded by Ms. Somody, the motion carried, and the Board returned to open session.

APPLICATIONS.

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

- Apprentice Application –1
- Individual Application-
- Individual Application (Reciprocity)-
- Renewal Application-
- CEU Application-
- Supervisor Change-

- Pending Application –

At 11:04 a.m. Ms. Nelson-Brown motioned to move into closed session to discuss the one pending apprentice application and ratify all other applications approved by the applications committee. The motion was seconded by Ms. Bastani and the motion carried. Pursuant to KRS 61.810(1) the deliberation of quasi-judicial bodies and pursuant to KRS 61.810(1)(k) for discussion protected by state and federal law the Board entered closed session for deliberation at 11:04 a.m. Board Chair Clark called a motion to approve all applications and return to open session at 11:08 a.m. The motion was seconded by Ms. Nelson-Brown and the motion carried. The Board returned to open session.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL & PER DIEM

Ms. Bastani 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 August 13, 2026, at 10:30am, with the state board exam at 12:30pm. Complaints committee will meet at 10:00am, if needed.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Chapman motioned to adjourn the meeting with a second by Ms. Bastani, and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.



Steve Clark, Chair