

KENTUCKY LICENSING BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

December 9, 2010
2:00 PM

A regular Board meeting of the Kentucky Licensing Board for Specialists in Hearing Instruments was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions located at 911 Leawood Drive in Frankfort, KY.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Clark
Gerry Gordon Brown
Faron Blakeman
Michael Hoagland
Peter Pearlman
Lisa Nelson Brown

OCCUPATIONS & PROFESSIONS STAFF

Michael West- Assistant Attorney General

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Greg Osetinsky, M.D.
Arthur Azar
Debra Drewry

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Clark called the meeting to order at 2:17 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the October 22, 2010 meeting were reviewed, and the following change was recommended: Charlie Robinette should have been listed under "Board Members Not Present" instead of being listed as present. Mr. Pearlman made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Hoagland seconded the motion. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Following the review of the financial statement, Mrs. Gordon Brown made a motion to accept the financial statement as submitted. Mr. Pearlman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Short told the board that she had accepted a position with the Labor Cabinet. Members wished her well.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Clark made his presentation to the ARRS committee on November 9, 2010. He reported that the changes to the wording of the regulation will be valid in January.

NEW BUSINESS

The board reviewed correspondence from Mr. Mark Mogan. Mr. Pearlman made a motion that the board administrator will send Mr. Mogan a letter informing him that his absence at the December 10, 2010 examination will not be counted as a failure. Mr. Blakeman seconded. The motion carried.

COMPLAINTS

The following report and recommendations were made by the Complaint Committee:

10-04 – Ongoing, charges are to be filed

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10-06 – The committee recommended the case be dismissed due to lack of evidence.

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10-08 – The committee recommended the case be dismissed due to lack of violation of law.

10-09 – Ongoing

Janice Keen – Ongoing

Mr. Blakeman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Following review of the complaints a discussion regarding what happens when a client purchases hearing aids, signs the purchase agreement and then changes their mind and cancels the purchase before the aids are received. Can the dispenser keep their "up to 10%?" Following discussion the Complaint Committee made the recommendation that the 10%

cancellation fee can be collected once the purchase agreement has been signed. Ms. Gordon-Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried.

APPLICATION REVIEW

No applications were submitted for review.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Mr. Pearlman made a motion that the following be approved: Casey Fox's request to count 3 CEUs obtained by attending a Hearing Conservation Workshop in Columbus, Ohio towards the 10 CEUs required for renewal. The program was approved for 3 of the 5 "other" hours of continuing education.

APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Mr. Pearlman made a motion to approve the travel and per diem. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Gordon-Brown. The motion carried.

NEXT MEETING

Mr. Clark reminded the board that exams would be administered on Friday, December 10, 2010. Because of the high number of registrants for the exam an invitation was extended to former board member Charlie Robinette to assist with the exam on December 10, 2010, and to pay his honorarium for doing so. Mrs. Brown seconded. The motion carried. The next board meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 4, 2011. The Complaint Committee will meet at 12:30 and the Board meeting will begin at 2:00.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business before the Board, Mr. Pearlman made a motion that the meeting would be adjourned at 3:45 PM. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hoagland. The motion carried.

Approved
February 4, 2011