

South Dakota Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology

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DRAFT BOARD MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2025 Video Conference-Microsoft Teams

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mandy Williams, President

Julie Holiday, Vice-President Tiffany Trask, Member

Nancy Suelflow, Member, joined at 9:32 a.m. CST

Audra Nelson-Bailey, Lay Member

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes, Executive Secretary

Katie Funke, Executive Assistant

Megan Borchert, General Counsel, Attorney General's Office

Jennifer Schultz, Mitchell Technical College

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS: President Williams called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM CST.

ROLL CALL: Williams requested Tellinghuisen Geddes to call the roll. Williams, yes; Trask, yes; Holiday, yes; Suelflow, absent; Nelson-Bailey, yes. A quorum was present.

CORRECTIONS OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Holiday made a motion to approve the agenda. Nelson-Bailey seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY/PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM MAY 9, 2025: Trask made a motion to approve the minutes for May 9, 2025. Holiday seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: Tellinghuisen Geddes reported year-end figures as of June 30, 2025: revenue of \$60,476.92; expenses of \$54,726.29; and a cash balance of \$263,799.95.

RENEWAL UPDATE: Tellinghuisen Geddes reported a total of 50 SLP's, 12 SLPA's, and 8 Limited licenses did not renew their licenses for the October 1st deadline.

CEU TRANSCRIPT DISCUSSION- FUTURE RENEWAL PERIODS: The board discussed issues with unofficial ASHA transcripts being submitted for proof of continuing education. Many licensees attempted to copy and paste their transcript into word documents, which were submitted. The office requested those be resubmitted in a more official format that contains their name and may not be edited. The Board discussed allowing unofficial ASHA transcripts for future renewal periods and agreed, given the issues with the unofficial transcripts, that it would be better to require either an official ASHA transcript or individual certificates of attendance. Schultz mentioned that licensees may request official ASHA transcripts with an exact date range that lines up to the South Dakota renewal period. Following discussion, Trask made a motion to update the board policy to require official ASHA transcripts or individual certificates of attendance for proof of continuing education at renewal. Suelflow seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

ASHA NOTICE- PROVISIONAL LICENSES: As an FYI, Williams reported the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has reversed its pervious interpretation of the term "licensed", which had previously excluded provisional licensees, including clinical fellows, from being recognized as qualified Medicare providers. The previous interpretation was causing issues with licensees in their CFY year and provisionally licensed to bill for Medicare and Medicaid. The issue has since been resolved with CMS reversing their interpretation.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF OPEN MEETING LAWS (SDCL 1-25-13): Borchert presented an overview of the guide to South Dakota's Open Meeting Laws, prepared by the Attorney General's Office as required by SDCL 1-25-13.

SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for April 17, at 9:30 a.m. CST via Microsoft Teams.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Williams reported that the ASLP Interstate Compact has operationalized. Tellinghuisen Geddes will add to the next agenda for discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SDCL 1-25-2: The board did not have a need to enter Executive Session.

COMPLAINTS/INVESTIGATIONS: None.

Suelflow made a motion to adjourn at 10:07 a.m. CST. Nelson-Bailey seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED** by unanimous voice vote. Respectfully submitted,

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Brooke Tellinghuisen Geddes Executive Secretary

1-27-1.17. Draft minutes of public meeting to be available--Exceptions--Violation as misdemeanor. The unapproved, draft minutes of any public meeting held pursuant to § 1-25-1 that are required to be kept by law shall be available for inspection by any person within ten business days after the meeting. However, this section does not apply if an audio or video recording of the meeting is available to the public on the governing body's website within five business days after the meeting. A violation of this section is a Class 2 misdemeanor. However, the provisions of this section do not apply to draft minutes of contested case proceedings held in accordance with the provisions of chapter 1-26.