

FLORIDA | Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology

Ad Hoc Committee Teleconference Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2019
2:00 p.m.

Conference Number:
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Conference Code:
346-983-002



Peter Johnson, PhD
Chair

Frederick Rahe, Au.D.
Vice-Chair

Kama Monroe
Executive Director

Tuesday, February 12, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Peter Johnson, Chair, at approximately 2:01 p.m.

Those present for all or part of the meeting include the following:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Peter Johnson, Chair
Frederick Rahe, Au.D., Vice-Chair

BOARD STAFF PRESENT:

Kama Monroe, Executive Director
Carol Taylor, Program Administrator
Christa Peace, Regulatory Specialist III

BOARD COUNSEL

Rachelle Munson, Board Counsel

COURT REPORTER:

For The Record

OTHERS PRESENT

Charlene Westman
Debbie Campbell
Dr. Suzanne Younker, Au.D.
Dr. Julia Andrews, Au.D.
Dr. Lydia Gladwin, Au.D.

Chair, Dr. Peter Johnson, called the meeting to order and welcomed all attendees.

Review and Approval of Minutes.

Motion: by Dr. Rahe, seconded by Dr. Johnson to accept the June 12, 2019, ad hoc committee meeting minutes.
Motion carried.

Discussion ensued regarding making changes that would meet Joint Administrative Procedures Committee (JAPC) approval. Board counsel, Rachelle Munson informed the board that whatever they do, it would need to be clearly evident in the rule language for JAPC to understand the intent.

The committee then discussed past progress and FLASHA representative, Deborah Campbell's responses to the questions posed at past committee meetings. Board counsel informed the committee that every line of proposed changes should be reviewed and addressed, ensuring that the proposed changes state exactly what the committee wishes it to state. She further noted that the challenge would be not to exceed statutory authority; therefore, it should be the overriding umbrella in the process.

Board counsel stated the board's rules would have to be written in a manner which is complicit with the statutory parameters. Ms. Campbell noted that she could reference the authoritative statute and include definitions where necessary.

Ms. Campbell noted that the proposed changes would only apply for speech language pathology. It was suggested that language be included that specifies to whom the rule applies. At that time, Ms. Younker, representing the Florida Academy of Audiology stated that the audiologists wish to be included in proposed changes for direct supervision.

Dr. Rahe noted that the committee is attempting to establish protocols consistent with the statute, not change the definition of supervision.

Clarification was requested regarding whether, hypothetically, audiology would need to include their own protocols, if we proceed with audiology. It was determined that Ms. Younker would submit proposed rule changes on behalf of the Florida Academy of Audiologists. A new ad hoc committee meeting will be scheduled to discuss both the speech-language pathologists and audiologists proposed rule changes. An update will be provided to the full board at the July 26, 2019, board meeting.

Further discussion regarding the proposed speech rule changes proceeded.

Any new proposed language will be further discussed at the July 22, 2019 Ad Hoc committee meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:15 p.m.