SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY BOARD Indiana Government Center South 402 West Washington Street, Room W064 Indianapolis, IN 46204

MINUTES OF JULY 18, 2025

Carol Hession, CCC-A, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m. and declare a quorum in accordance with IC 25-35.6-2(f), pursuant to public notice posted at the principal office of the board at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the meeting.

Members Present: Carol Hession, Ph.D., CCC-A, Chair

Ann Bilodeau, MS, CCC-SLP, Vice Chair

Katherine Haded, MS, CCC-SLP Blair Mattern, Au.D., CCC-A

Taylor Shockey, Consumer Member

Staff Present: Jody Edens, Board Director

Professional Licensing Agency
James Green, Assistant Board Director
Professional Licensing Agency
Bradley Repass, Litigation Specialist
Professional Licensing Agency

Christopher Anderson, J.D., Deputy Attorney General

Office of the Attorney General

The Board voted to adopt the agenda as amended.

Haded/Bilodeau, 40/0 Motion carries

The following board members voted aye by roll call: Carol Hession, Ann Bilodeau, Katherine Haded, Blair Mattern, The following board members voted nay: none The following board members abstained: none

The Board voted to approve January 25, 2025, and February 13, 2025 minutes as written.

Haded/Bilodeau, 4/0/0
Motion carries

The following board members voted age by roll call:

Carol Hession, Ann Bilodeau, Katherine Haded, Blair Mattern, The following board members voted nay: none The following board members abstained: none

CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENT

Carol Hession, Ph.D., CCC-A, Board Chair announced that she is resigning from the Board after twenty plus (20+) years of service. She stated her resignation is effective today and that she has enjoyed immensely serving the public as a board member. She will miss everyone.

The Board members and staff echoed Carol's comments that she will be missed by all and was thanked for her guidance and service to the Board.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Due to Ms. Hession's resignation, the Board voted on the following new officers:

- Chair Ann Bilodeau, MS, CCC-SLP
- Vice Chair Blair Mattern, Au.D., CCC-A
- AG Liaison Blair Mattern, Au D., CCC-A

Hession/Haded, 4/0/0
Motion carries

The following board members voted aye by roll call:
Carol Hession, Ann Bilodeau, Katherine Haded, Blair Mattern,
The following board members voted nay: none
The following board members abstained: none

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Elizabeth (Cupp) Burgess – Initial Application – Positive Response:

Ms. Burgess did appear in person and was not represented by counsel regarding her initial application.

Ms. Burgess' license was revoked by the Board on January 29, 2018 due to fraudulent billing issues.

She informed the Board that she has been working for an audiology practice at the front desk in an administrative role. She is now currently working with the same employer as an Audiology Assistant and really likes working with patients.

She indicated she has learned to take responsibility for her actions. She also stated that where she had billing issues was her first position as a speech pathologist after graduating from school. She would like to pursue a position in a school system.

She has not taken steps toward obtaining ASHA or her continuing education.

After having considered the testimony of the applicant and taking notice of previous orders, the Board moved to APPROVE Ms. Burgess' license on INDEFINITE PROBATION, may not practice until she has completed two (2) hours of ethics training.

Indefinite Probation terms consist of the following:

- twenty (20) additional hours of continuing education in her area of practice.
- Supervisor Report must be submitted every six (6) months. Notify the Board within thirty (30) days of a change in supervisor.
- Quarterly self-reports
- Order must be signed by her employer and returned within seven (7) days of beginning employment.

Bilodeau/Hadded, 5/0/0 Motion carries

The following board members voted aye:
Ann Bilodeau, Carol Hession, Katherine Hadded, Blair Mattern, Taylor Shockey
The following board members objected: none
The following board members abstained: none

<u>DISCUSSION</u>

<u>Rules update:</u> The Board reviewed additional changes made by the rules committee and made some minor changes to those. After all changes were completed, the Board moved to APPROVE the rules to move forward.

Hadded/Hession, 5/0/0
Motion carries

The following board members voted aye:
Ann Bilodeau, Carol Hession, Katherine Hadded, Blair Mattern, Taylor Shockey
The following board members objected: none
The following board members abstained: none

<u>Interstate Compact:</u> Ann Bilodeau gave an update on the Interstate Compact. They are ready to go live on September 30, 2025.

The Board needs to discuss and implement a compact fee for Indiana. After discussion the Board moved to set the compact fee at \$50.00

Bilodeau/Hadded, 5/0/0 Motion carries

The following board members voted aye:
Ann Bilodeau, Carol Hession, Katherine Hadded, Blair Mattern, Taylor Shockey
The following board members objected: none
The following board members abstained: none

<u>SLP Clinical fellows and Medicare B:</u> This was added to the agenda for discussion. Medicare decided that both students and fellows cannot bill for Medicare B any longer unless they are licensed.

It doesn't affect Indiana as our fellows are licensed.

Meeting date: The Board determined the next meeting date will be January 9, 2025.

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

Carol Hession, Ph.D., CCC-A