



## **SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY PRACTICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

### **Teleconference Sacramento, CA**

#### **August 1, 2017, 12:00p.m. to 1:30p.m.**

#### 1. Call to Order/ Roll Call

Patti Solomon-Rice called the Speech-Language Pathology Practice Committee (Committee) meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Ms. Solomon-Rice called roll; two members of the Committee were present and thus a quorum was established.

#### Committee Members Present

Patti Solomon-Rice, Chair, Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP)  
Dee Parker, SLP

#### Committee Members Absent

Debbie Snow

#### Staff Present

Paul Sanchez, Executive Officer  
Breanne Humphreys, Program Manager  
Karen Robison, Enforcement Analyst  
Michael Santiago, Legal Counsel  
Casey Triggs, Licensing Analyst  
Tim Yang, Licensing Analyst

#### Guests Present

Jay Griffin  
Susan Kidwell, SLP, San Joaquin Delta College  
Susan McDonald, SLP, Cerritos College  
Rosemary Scott, SLP  
Kristina Zajic, SLP, American River College (ARC)

#### 2. Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda

Rosemary Scott asked to have the ethical issue of Speech-Language Pathologists (SLP) and supervision as a discussion item on a future agenda.

#### 3. Discussion on the Development of the Approval Process for new Speech-Language Pathology Assistant Training Programs; Possible Recommendation to Full Board

Ms. Solomon-Rice opened the discussion by giving the background on the need to develop an approval process for new Speech-Language Pathology Assistant (SLPA) training programs. Her discussion

included a general overview of the materials in the meeting packet and the need to adhere to Board statutes and regulations while developing the SLPA training program approval process.

Ms. Scott spoke about the American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA) SLPA scope of practice and stated that Board regulations were extremely helpful when ASHA was developing the SLPA Scope of Practice (2013). She noted that the definitions ASHA uses are almost verbatim to the Board's regulation.

The Committee was informed by the represented colleges that SLPA competency is assessed during midterms and finals and if the student does not achieve a predetermined competency level they do not pass the class.

The Committee discussed changes to program courses, learning outcomes and objectives, an application for approval of SLPA programs, grandfathering in of current programs, and structuring the approval process around the application.

The Committee came up with a list of action items to bring to the next Committee. Ms. Kidwell is tasked with locating the application San Joaquin Delta College used when they applied for program approval. Staff was delegated the task of summarizing the statutes and regulations specific to SLPA's. Ms. Zajic volunteered to collect information from current approved SLPA programs to complete a table to determine what courses are offered by each program and how many programs offer each course.

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for August 28, 2017 at 12:00p.m.

#### 4. Adjournment

The Committee meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.