**West Virginia Board of Examiners for**

**Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology**

**January 11, 2023**

**Board Meeting**

**Time: 5:00 PM**

**Location: Video Conference Meeting**

 **Board Office**

 **99 Edmiston Way – Suite 214**

 **Buckhannon, WV 26201**

**Present: Board President, Vernon Mullins**

 **Board Secretary, Vickie Pullins**

 **Board Member, Michael Zagarella**

 **Citizen Member, Joe E. Richards**

 **Executive Director, Pamela Coughlin – Board Office**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Vernon Mullins, Board President.

Vern Mullins did a tribute to Patricia Nesbitt.

Joe Richards made a motion to approve the minutes for October 26, 2022. Michael Zagarella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The PCard and Financial Reports were presented. Joe Richards made a motion to approve all reports as presented. Michael Zagarella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business

Vern Mullins discussed Continuing Education approval.

Michael Zagarella made a motion to approve Vickie Pullins and Pam Coughlin to attend Federation of Associations of Regulatory Boards (FARB) Conference in Nashville, Tennessee on January 26, 2023 through January 28, 2023. Vern Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Michael Zagarella recommended we change our Mission Statement on our website. Vickie Pullins made a motion to change the Mission Statement. Joe Richards seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vickie Pullins recommended other Board Members attend the FARB Conference soon to learn more about orientation for upcoming new board members.

Vern Mullins discussed Erin Browning resigning from the board. He recommended to start looking for a replacement.

Vickie Pullins is going to reach out to some SLP’s and see if they are interested in becoming a board member. Once we have a couple names, Pam Coughlin will write a letter to the Governor.

Vern Mullins recommended we hire an Assistant for the Executive Director. After brief discussion, we will hold off on hiring an assistant.

Joe Richards made a motion to keep Vern Mullins as the President and Vickie Pullins as the Secretary. Michael Zagarella seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vickie Pulling recused herself at 5:34 PM.

Joe Richards made a motion to go into Executive Session. Vern Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried at 5:35 PM.

Complaints

Pam Coughlin will let Joanne Vella know we can move the hearing for #55 to Charleston at the Attorney General Building on February 27, 2023

Vern Mullins made a motion to go out of Executive Session. Joe Richards seconded the motion. Motion carried at 5:41 PM.

Joe Richards made a motion to adjourn. Michael Zagarella seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Coughlin, Executive Director

for

Vickie Pullins, Board Secretary