



## **BOARD OF HEARING AND SPEECH MEETING AGENDA**

**February 5, 2016 – 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

Department of Health – Town Center Two  
111 Israel Road SE, Room 158  
Tumwater, WA 98501

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### **Board Members:**

Dr. Alison Vega, Chair; Gail Rothwell, Vice-Chair; James Deal; David Oplinger, Cary Larson; Trice Konschuh; Rick Giles; Courtenay Hendricks; Ann Plotnick; Henry Ou, MD; Hal Hunsaker.

### **Program Staff:**

Trina Castle, Executive Director; Janette Benham, Program Manager; Sandie Pearson, Program Representative; Joyce Roper, Assistant Attorney General (AAG)

### **Times and Order**

The Board of Hearing and Speech meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on February 5, 2016, and will continue until all agenda items are complete. The board will work through lunch and adjourn as determined by the agenda and the board. This agenda is subject to change. Comments from the public in attendance will be solicited after each agenda item.

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Smoking is prohibited at this meeting.

## **OPEN SESSION**

**9:00 a.m.**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER – Dr. Alison Vega, Chair**
  - 1.1** Introductions-board members, staff, and audience
  - 1.2** Approval of Agenda
  - 1.3** Approval of the November 6, 2015 Meeting Minutes
  
- 2. PROGRAM MANAGER REPORT – Janette Benham, Program Manager, will provide information to the board.**
  - 2.1** Licensing statistics
  - 2.2** Citrix update
  - 2.3** Practical exam update for hearing aid specialists
  
- 3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Trina Castle, Executive Director, will provide information to the board.**
  - 3.1** Current Budget Report
  - 3.2** Legislative update/Meet-Me-Call update
  
- 4. PRESENTATION – Ericka Brown, Credentialing Supervisor, will present information regarding credentialing statistics.**
  
- 5. CONFERENCE UPDATES – Board members will provide reports on conferences attended.**
  - 5.1** Dr. Alison Vega will provide a report on the Academy of Doctors of Audiology (ADA) Annual Convention.
  - 5.2** Gail Rothwell will provide a report on the Citizen Advocacy Center (CAC) Annual Meeting.
  
- 6. PRESENTATION – NINE-MONTH CERTIFICATE PROGRAM**

The Washington Hearing Society will provide information and an update on their nine-month certificate program. The program has received approval from the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board and is requesting approval from the Board of Hearing and Speech.
  
- 7. DEMOGRAPHIC DATA PROJECT INFORMATION**

The board will review demographic questions that will be asked of practitioners when renewing credentials. The purpose of the survey is to collect information from health care professionals that will help identify and address current and future workforce needs.
  
- 8. ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL REPORT – Joyce Roper, AAG**

Joyce Roper, AAG, will provide board members with information or research she has conducted.

**LUNCH --** Board members will continue meeting through lunch

**11:30 a.m.**

## **9. COMMITTEE WORK**

### **9.1 Rules Committee**

Members: Gail Rothwell, SLP, Chair; Cary Larson, SLPA; Trice Konschuh, Public Member; Ann Plotnick, Hearing Aid Specialist; Rick Giles, Hearing Aid Specialist; Dr. Alison Vega, Audiologist

**9.1.1** Committee members will discuss any agenda items referred for committee review.

### **9.2 Education/Exam Committee**

Members: Cary Larson, SLPA, Chair; Rick Giles, Hearing Aid Specialist; David Oplinger, Audiologist; Courtenay Hendricks, Public Member; Hal Hunsaker, SLP; Henry Ou, M.D.

**9.2.1** Committee members will discuss any agenda items referred for committee review.

**9.2.2** Committee members will review the curriculum of the University of Utah's Bachelor of Science degree in Speech and Hearing Science and discuss approval of the program for the speech-language pathology assistant profession.

**9.2.3** Committee members will review the information from the board's 2010 site inspection of two-year degree programs in hearing aid specialist instruction and discuss a timeframe for the next board review.

### **9.3 Disciplinary Committee**

Members: David Oplinger, Audiologist, Chair; Jim Deal, Public Member; Gail Rothwell, SLP; Ann Plotnick, Hearing Aid Specialist

**9.3.1** The committee will meet in closed session to review any new cases.

### **9.4 Public Relations Committee**

Members: Jim Deal, Chair; Courtenay Hendricks, Public Member; Dr. Alison Vega, Audiologist; Hal Hunsaker, SLP; Henry Ou, M.D.

**9.4.1** Committee members will discuss any agenda items referred for committee review.

**9.4.2** The committee will review and discuss a request for lists and labels from PDH Academy.

**9.4.3** The committee will review and discuss renewing approval for lists and labels from Motivations, Inc.

## **10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Committee members will report their discussions and present any recommendations for board action.

**11. AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS** -- The board will discuss agenda items for future meetings.

## **12. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Members from the public will have an opportunity to direct questions, concerns, or comments to the board.

**13. ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

Board members or program staff may present additional items for discussion.

**14. CONSENT AGENDA**

The items listed under the consent agenda (information items) are considered to be routine agency matters and will be approved by a single motion of the board without separate discussion. If separate discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and placed on the regular business agenda for discussion.

**14.1** Current issue of “The Sentinel News for DOH Employees”

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

**CLOSED SESSION** - The board will meet in closed session per RCW 42.30.140

**16. DISCIPLINARY CASE REVIEWS**

**17. APPLICATION REVIEWS**

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Move to right lane, turn right on Israel Road

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Take I-5 North to Exit 101. (Stay in right hand lane)

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