

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
BUREAU OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

**F I N A L M I N U T E S**

MEETING OF:

**STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE  
PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY**

TIME: 10:30 A.M.

Held at

**PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

2525 North 7th Street

CoPA HUB, Eaton Conference Room

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

as well as

**VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS**

June 20, 2025

State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language  
Pathology and Audiology  
June 20, 2025

BOARD MEMBERS:

Lisa A. Butler, M.A., CCC-SLP, Chairperson  
Matthew Eaton, Deputy Secretary, on behalf of Arion  
R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of  
Professional and Occupational Affairs  
Patrick M. Murphy, Au.D., M.Ed., CCC-A, FAAA, Vice  
Chairperson  
Sarah E. Delano, M.Ed., CCC-A - Absent  
Theresa Jacopetti, Speech-Language Pathologist

BUREAU PERSONNEL:

Ashley Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel  
Denice Szekely, Esquire, Board Prosecution Liaison  
Shakeena L. Chapelle, Board Administrator

ALSO PRESENT:

Ted Mowatt, CAE, Vice President/Lobbyist & Executive  
Director, Wanner Associates on behalf of the  
Pennsylvania Academy of Audiology  
Nicole Billak, PSHA President-Elect  
Robert Sataloff, M.D.  
Kristin Park, SLP, Collegeville Speech and Hearing,  
LLC  
Rebecca Kruise, SLP, Life Speech Services  
Tiffany Moniz, M.A. CCC-SLP  
Mary Therese Sabatino, Speech Pathologist  
Dana Bitetti, Ph.D.  
Jacob Hill, Sargent's Court Reporting Service, Inc.

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2 State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language

3 Pathology and Audiology

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6 [Pursuant to Section 708(a)(1) and 708(a)(5) of the  
7 Sunshine Act, at 10:00 a.m., the Board entered into  
8 Executive Session with Ashley B. Goshert, Esquire,  
9 Board Counsel, for the purpose of conducting quasi-  
10 judicial deliberations on the matters on the agenda  
11 and to receive advice of Board Counsel. The Board  
12 returned to open session at 10:30 a.m.]

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14 The regularly scheduled meeting of the State  
15 Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and  
16 Audiology was held on Friday, June 20, 2025. Lisa  
17 Buter, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at  
18 10:31 a.m.

19 Ashley Goshert, Esquire, Board Counsel, informed  
20 everyone that the meeting was being recorded, and  
21 those who continued to participate were giving their  
22 consent to be recorded.

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24 Roll Call of Board Members/Introduction of Attendees  
25 [Shakeena L. Chapelle, Board Administrator, provided

1 a roll call of Board members and an introduction of  
2 attendees. A quorum of Board members was present.]

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4 Approval of Minutes of the March 7, 2025 meeting

5 CHAIR BUTLER:

6 The draft minutes from the last  
7 meeting, March 7, 2025.

8 Any there any corrections or  
9 changes?

10 MS. CHAPELLE:

11 We also need the December minutes.

12 CHAIR BUTLER:

13 And the December meeting as well.

14 We need to determine if there were  
15 any corrections. Are there any  
16 corrections?

17 DR. MURPHY:

18 No.

19 CHAIR BUTLER:

20 Do I have a motion to approve the draft  
21 minutes for December 13, 2024 and March  
22 7, 2025?

23 DR. MURPHY:

24 I move to approve.

25 MR. EATON:

1 Second. Roll call.

2 MS. CHAPELLE:

3 Lisa Butler, yes; Deputy Secretary  
4 Eaton, abstention from both; Dr.  
5 Murphy, aye; Theresa Jacopetti,  
6 abstain; Sarah Delano, aye.

7 DR. MURPHY:

8 And Madam Chair, if you were not at the  
9 December meeting, is that correct?

10 You should abstain from those  
11 minutes I was at.

12 CHAIR BUTLER:

13 I abstained from the March meeting.

14 DR. MURPHY:

15 Perfect.

16 [The motion passed. Chair Butler abstained from  
17 voting on the March 2025 minutes. Deputy Secretary  
18 Eaton and Ms. Jacopetti abstained from voting on  
19 December 2024 and March 2025 minutes.]

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21 Report of Prosecutorial Division

22 [Denice Szekely, Esquire, Board Prosecution, on  
23 behalf of John Jarabeck, Esquire, Board prosecution,  
24 presented the Consent Agreement for Case No. 24-68-  
25 008732.

Report of Board / Commission Counsel

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Based on Executive Session deliberations, the Board would enter a motion to adopt the final Adjudication and Order at Case No. 22-68-01-3926 for the Respondent Remone Paul Mundle.

I approve.

Second.

Recusing myself. Roll call.

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Lisa Butler, Recused; Deputy Secretary

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Eaton, aye; Dr. Murphy, aye; Theresa

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Jacopetti, abstain.

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[The motion passed. Chair Butler recused herself

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deliberations and voting on the motion. Ms.

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Jacopetti abstained from voting on the motion.]

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Regulatory Report - No Report

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[Chair Butler requested questions from Board members

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be given to her to pass along to regulatory counsel.]

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Report of Commissioner

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[Matthew Eaton, Deputy Secretary, on behalf of Arion

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R. Claggett, Acting Commissioner, discussed the

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process of upgrading from the current licensing

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system, PALS, to a new system named Evoke. The new

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system is expected to go live with phase one in early

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Report of Board Chairperson

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[Chair Butler discussed a report regarding changes to

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Medicare, which will affect provisional licenses and

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many members. The American Speech and Language-

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Hearing Association (ASHA) and the Pennsylvania

1 Speech-Language-Hearing Association (PSHA) have been  
2 involved.

3 Chair Butler continued by stating that any  
4 members having a provisional license or in their  
5 Clinical Fellowship Year (CFY) will no longer be able  
6 to treat patients or bill under the Medicare Part B  
7 plan.

8 She suggested members look at ASHA as they have a  
9 quorum and campaign for Medicare 25. Additionally,  
10 members can link up to the CMS publication on WWCMS  
11 government files for outpatient speech and language  
12 pathology.

13 Chair Butler strongly advised all to review the  
14 websites as there is much needed support against this  
15 issue passing. She reiterated the need for members  
16 to oppose the proposal.

17 She discussed the upcoming conference for  
18 audiologists at their annual conference in September  
19 2025.

20 Additionally, Chair Butler commented on a  
21 telephone scam focusing on reaching out to speech  
22 pathologists. She warned members to be very careful  
23 about giving out personal information over the  
24 telephone.

25 Chair Butler then introduced the Audiology and



1 Speech Pathology Interstate Compact, (ASLPIC), and  
2 the fact that 34 states are members of this  
3 organization. They are proposing a rule to set a  
4 commission administration fee of \$50 and an  
5 additional state fee. The ASLPIC has not been passed  
6 in Pennsylvania yet, as it is in the stages of  
7 determining the best method to gather data. She  
8 commented on her concern about the fingerprinting  
9 process that the ASLPIC may be implementing, but  
10 reassured the members that none of this would have to  
11 be addressed for some time. The medical and nursing  
12 fields will be going through this process first,  
13 thereby giving the Board a glimpse of what is to  
14 come.]

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16 Report from Other Board Members

17 [Dr. Murphy, Au.D., M.Ed., CCC-A, FAAA, Vice  
18 Chairperson, requested the Board administrator put  
19 the annual election on the agenda for December, as  
20 the new Board begins in the following March.

21 Additionally, he asked for consideration on  
22 alternate meeting dates for 2026. He explained the  
23 conflicts involved with the current meeting dates as  
24 coinciding with pathology/audiology conferences  
25 around the state. He would prefer to be a part of an

1 audiology convention Power-Point presentation at the  
2 King of Prussia taking place on the second Friday in  
3 September 2025.

4 Lastly, Dr. Murphy questioned if the Board had  
5 any mechanism in place to follow up on a designated  
6 perpetrator.

7 Ms. Goshert replied that mechanisms of this type  
8 usually come in through complaints that the  
9 prosecution addresses. Additionally, she explained  
10 that if a complaint came through with this type of  
11 language in the order, the prosecution would  
12 investigate and bring it to the Board if there was  
13 found to be a violation.

14 Mr. Eaton offered to invite Senior Prosecutors to  
15 be present at the Board's next meeting in order to  
16 discuss this subject.

17 Chair Butler stated she was the one that changed  
18 the date regarding the King of Prussia conference.  
19 It had been requested that she and Counsel make the  
20 presentation there. She also encouraged Dr. Murphy's  
21 presence there as well.]

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23 Report of Board Administrator - Election of Officers  
24 and Committee Assignments  
25 [Shakeena Chapelle, Board Administrator, discussed a

1 proposed change from the meeting date of September  
2 12, 2025 to October 31, 2025.]

3 MS. GOSHERT:

4 Would the Board entertain a motion to  
5 change the September 12 meeting to be  
6 held on October 31, 2025 rather than  
7 the September 12?

8 Do I have a motion?

9 MR. EATON:

10 I'll make the motion.

11 CHAIR BUTLER:

12 Second. Roll call.

13 MS. CHAPELLE:

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15 Lisa Butler, Yes; Deputy Secretary  
16 Eaton, aye; Dr. Murphy, aye; Theresa  
17 Jacopetti, abstain.

18 [The motion passed. Ms. Jacopetti abstained from  
19 voting on the motion.]

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21 [Ms. Chapelle suggested the election of officers and  
22 committee assignments be conducted.]

23 MS. GOSHERT:

24 Do we have a nomination for Chair of  
25 the Board?

1 CHAIR BUTLER:

2 I'd like nominate myself to continue as  
3 Chair for the Board.

4 MR. EATON:

5 I'll second.

6 MS. GOSHERT:

7 Any other nominations for Chair?

8 Hearing none, is there a motion to  
9 elect Lisa Butler as Chair of the Board  
10 for the remainder of 2025?

11 MR. EATON:

12 I'll make the motion.

13 CHAIR BUTLER:

14 Yes. Aye.

15 MS. GOSHERT:

16 Okay. Go ahead and call roll.

17 MS. CHAPELLE:

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19 Lisa Butler, Aye; Deputy Secretary  
20 Eaton, aye; Dr. Murphy, aye; Theresa  
21 Jacopetti, abstain.

22 [The motion passed. Ms. Jacopetti abstained from  
23 voting on the motion.]

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1 MS. GOSHERT:

2 Do we have a nomination for Vicechair  
3 of the Board for the remainder of 2025?

4 MR. EATON:

5 I'll nominate Dr. Murphy.

6 MS. GOSHERT:

7 Any other nominations for Vice Chair?

8 Hearing none, is there a motion to  
9 elect Dr. Murphy as Vice Chair of the  
10 Board for the remainder of 2025?

11 MR. EATON:

12 I'll make the motion.

13 CHAIR BUTLER:

14 I'll second.

15 MS. GOSHERT:

16 Any other nominations for Vice Chair?

17 Hearing none, is there a motion to  
18 elect Dr. Murphy as Vicechair of the  
19 Board for the remainder of 2025?

20 MR. EATON:

21 I'll make the motion.

22 CHAIR BUTLER:

23 Aye.

24 MS. GOSHERT:

25 All right. And roll.

1 MS. CHAPELLE:

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3 Lisa Butler, Aye; Deputy Secretary  
4 Eaton, aye; Dr. Murphy, aye; Theresa  
5 Jacopetti, abstain.

6 [The motion passed. Ms. Jacopetti abstained from  
7 voting on the motion.]

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9 [Chair Butler welcomed new board member, Theresa  
10 Jacopetti. She is a speech pathologist. Chair  
11 Butler suggested Ms. Jacopetti provide her biography  
12 at the Board's next meeting.]

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14 Miscellaneous - Approve Board Members Travel

15 [Chair Butler advised the Board of the upcoming NCSP  
16 conference, (South Carolina Speech Pathology  
17 Associates), September 18 - September 20, 2025, in  
18 Mount Pleasant, SC.]

19 MS. GOSHERT:

20 I believe, based on discussions in  
21 Executive Session, the Board would  
22 entertain a motion to approve travel,  
23 any associated expenses for two Board  
24 members and Board Counsel to attend the  
25 conference held September 18 through

1                   September 20, 2025, in Mount Pleasant,  
2                   South Carolina.

3 CHAIR BUTLER:

4                   I'll make the motion.

5 MR. EATON:

6                   Second.

7 MS. GOSHERT:

8                   All right. And roll call.

9 MS. CHAPELLE:

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11                   Lisa Butler, Aye; Deputy Secretary  
12                   Eaton, aye; Dr. Murphy, aye; Theresa  
13                   Jacopetti, abstain.

14 [The motion passed. Ms. Jacopetti abstained from  
15 voting on the motion.]

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17 [Chair Butler then announced that the Board had the  
18 PAA conference, (Pennsylvania Academy of Audiology),  
19 to be held September 10th through the 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025.]

20 MS. GOSHERT:

21                   I believe, the Board would entertain a  
22                   motion to approve travel and associated  
23                   expenses for two Board members and  
24                   Board Counsel to attend the PAA  
25                   conference held September 10 through

1                   September 12 in King of Prussia,  
2                   Pennsylvania.

3 MR. EATON:

4                   I'll make the motion.

5 CHAIR BUTLER:

6                   Second.

7 MS. GOSHERT:

8                   All right. And roll call.

9 MS. CHAPELLE:

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11                   Lisa Butler, Aye; Deputy Secretary  
12                   Eaton, aye; Dr. Murphy, aye; Theresa  
13                   Jacopetti, abstain.

14 [The motion passed. Ms. Jacopetti abstained from  
15 voting on the motion.]

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18 Appointments - Life Speech Services Regulations  
19 Discussion

20 [Rebecca Kruse, SLP, Life Speech Services and  
21 Kristin Park, SLP, Collegeville Speech and Hearing,  
22 LLC, presented on working with the Board to change  
23 the wording in the legislative language regarding  
24 aspects of becoming SLPs, Certification of Clinical  
25 Competence, (CCC), et cetera, from ASHA and some of



1 the confusion resulting from the same. She commented  
2 that the definition of speech-language pathology in  
3 its Pennsylvania legislative format refers to ASHA's  
4 definition of same, causing a redundancy in the  
5 language. Removing ASHA's definition from the  
6 Pennsylvania format would remove the redundancy.

7 Ms. Park stated the current language from ASHA  
8 might be confusing in itself for those desiring to  
9 obtain an SLP license in Pennsylvania, because one  
10 does not need an ASHA CCC here in order to become an  
11 SLP.

12 She stated no actual changes were being requested  
13 of the legislative language itself, but only that the  
14 wording of same might be clarified so that those  
15 going through the process of becoming SLP's can  
16 better understand what they need to do.

17 Provisional licenses and CCC's wording were  
18 discussed so that the language might clarify that  
19 anyone completing their supervised professional  
20 experience to gain their SLP license would be a  
21 provisional licensee, as opposed to what the current  
22 language states.

23 Additionally, any speech pathologist assistant  
24 must complete a certain number of semester hours or a  
25 CCC. However, according to Ms. Kruse, the general

1 understanding is that an SLP assistant cannot hold a  
2 CCC.

3       It was emphasized that the goal of this  
4 presentation was to help Pennsylvania SLPs know  
5 exactly what to do to earn their license. The  
6 current legislative language intermingles both the  
7 CCC and the PA licensure, two separate entities, in  
8 such a way that candidates for SLPs might believe  
9 they need both in order to become licensed in PA,  
10 when, in fact, this is not so.

11       Tiffany Moniz, M.A. CCC-SLP, stated obstacles  
12 like this have impacted those that have dropped their  
13 RCS, because employers sometimes believe that holding  
14 a CCC is a mandatory qualification to obtain jobs.

15       Mr. Eaton thanked all three presenters for their  
16 input. He referred to Board Counsel for an  
17 explanation on how this process works.

18       Ms. Goshert stated the Board does not have the  
19 power to change legislation. It does have the power  
20 to help change regulations. She assured them that  
21 the Board would look into this matter further. She  
22 requested a copy of their version be sent to her in  
23 order to be provided to the Board members for  
24 review.]

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1 Public Comments - Continued Comments on Legislation  
2 and Provisional Licenses

3 [Tiffany Moniz, M.A. CCC-SLP, noted North Dakota as a  
4 model legislation for language removing the need for  
5 a provisional license altogether.

6 Ms. Goshert advised Ms. Moniz that the issue  
7 would have to be studied by the legislature.  
8 Associations and lobbyists would talk to the  
9 legislature about it. Additionally state senators  
10 and state representatives would have input.

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12 [The Board entered into Executive Session from 11:15  
13 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.]

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15 MS. GOSHERT:

16 I believe, based on these deliberations  
17 the Board would entertain a motion to  
18 approve the Consent Agreement at Case  
19 No. 24-68-008732.

20 Do we have a motion?

21 MR. EATON:

22 So moved.

23 DR. MURPHY:

24 Second.

25 MS. GOSHERT:

1 All right. And roll call.

2 MS. CHAPELLE:

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4 Lisa Butler, Recuse; Deputy Secretary  
5 Eaton, aye; Dr. Murphy, aye; Theresa  
6 Jacopetti, aye.

7 [The motion passed. Chair Butler recused herself  
8 from deliberations and voting on the motion. The  
9 Respondent's name for Case No. 24-68-008732 is Megan  
10 Hunt.]

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12 MS. GOSHERT:

13 Motion to adjourn.

14 MR. EATON:

15 So moved.

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17 [Ms. Goshert reminded everyone that the next meeting  
18 was October 31, 2025.]

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20 [There being no further business, the State Board of  
21 Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology  
22 Meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.]

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## CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing summary minutes of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Meeting was reduced to writing by me or under my supervision and that the minutes accurately summarize the substance of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Meeting.



Jacob Hill,

Minute Clerk

Sargent's Court Reporting  
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STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE  
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REFERENCE INDEX

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TIME

AGENDA

10:00	Executive Session
10:30	Return to Open Session
10:31	Official Call to Order
10:32	Roll Call of Board Members
10:35	Approval of Minutes
10:36	Report of Prosecutorial Division
10:39	Report of Board / Commission Counsel
10:40	Report of Regulatory Counsel
10:42	Report of Board Chairperson
10:41	Report of Commissioner
10:50	Report from Other Board Members
10:55	Report of Board Administrator
11:01	Miscellaneous
11:02	Appointments - Life Speech Services
11:10	Executive Session
11:25	Return to Open Session
11:14	Public Comment Period
11:33	Adjournment