

State of Louisiana The Louisiana State Board for Hearing Aid Dealers

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LOUISIANA BOARD FOR HEARING AID DEALERS MINUTES OF MEETING AUGUST 19, 2017 BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

The Special Meeting of the Louisiana Board for Hearing Aid Dealers was called to order at 1:00pm on Saturday, August 19, 2017 at Embassy Suites, Baton Rouge Louisiana by Mary Christy, Exam Chairman.

Visitor Johnny Casanova

The roll was called. Those present were Mary Christy, Kirt Loupe, Jenelle Sharp, Bryan Stinson, Emily Goerges, Jeremy Stroud, Melinda Peat. Quorum was established.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION made by Mary Christy, seconded by Melinda Peat to nominate Kirt Loupe for Chairman of the Louisiana Board for Hearing Aid Dealers. All in favor, motion carried.

MOTION made by Melinda Peat, seconded by Bryan Stinson to nominate Dina Zeevi for Administrative Secretary Position. All in favor, motion carried.

MOTION made by Kirt Loupe, seconded by Mary Christy to nominate Jeremy Stroud for Secretary-Treasurer. All in favor, motion carried.

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

Office inspection forms given to all Board Members present. Each Board Member will forward office inspection forms to all Hearing Aid Dispensers in their district to be completed and returned to Administrative Secretary.

Absentee voting or voting by proxy was discussed. Mary Christy presented a copy of the Louisiana Boards and Commissions Policyon Open Public Meetings. The Policy states that Board Members must by physically present to be able to vote.

Lack of Board attorney discussed. Board needs attorney under contract that fits in budget. Kirt Loupe and Jeremy Stroud will get recommendations for attorneys.

NEW BUSINESS

Administrative Secretary Dina Zeevi, Jeremy Stroud Secretary-Treasurer and Chairman Kirt Loupe will need to sign documents at Chase Bank to be able to sign checks and pay bills incurred by the Louisiana Board for Hearing Aid Dealers. Crystal Payne, Dianne Sasser and Johnny Casanova will need their names removed from the Chase Bank LA. Board checking account due to their resignations from the LA. Board for Hearing Aid Dealers.

Chairman Kirt Loupe appointed a chairman to each of the five board committees. ETHICS COMMITTEE- Jenelle Sharp EXAM COMMITTEE- Mary Christy, Bryan Stinson LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE- Jeremy Stroud AUDIOMETRIC COMMITTEE- Dina Zeevi OFFICE INSPECTION- Emily Goerges

Discussed use of Embassy Suites Meeting room in Baton Rouge, Louisiana for practical exam testing on January 25, 2018 and then July 2018. Mary Christy stated that she will get the pay off balance on our lese if our Sate Board Office needed to have a new physical address. State Board phone voicemail and postal service mail will be forwarded to the newly elected Administrative Secretary Dina Zeevi

MOTION to adjourn made by Melinda Peat, seconded by Kirt Loupe- all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 2:41pm

DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

Next Board Meeting planned for January 25, 2018 in Baton Rouge.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Christy Exam Chairman