A regular Board meeting of the Kentucky Licensing Board for Specialists in Hearing Instruments was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions located at 911 Leawood Drive in Frankfort, KY on February 24, 2011.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Sienna G. Newman
Paul O. Hatcher
Edward H. Gildehaus, III
Eric L. Miller
Robert O. Williams

OCCUPATIONS & PROFESSIONS STAFF
Carolyn Benedict, Board Administrator
David Garr,
Shannon Tivitt

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
Mark Brengelman, Assistant Attorney General
Ryan Halloran, Assistant Attorney General

CALL TO ORDER
Ms. Newman called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

MINUTES
The February 10, 2011 minutes were reviewed. Mr. Williams made a motion they be approved. Motion seconded by Mr. Miller. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS
Mr. Halloran introduced Mark Brengelman, Assistant Attorney General, to board members. Mr. Brengelman is the attorney who has been assigned to provide legal representation to the board.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Ms. Tivitt had nothing to report.

NEW BUSINESS
Correspondence from the Kentucky Orthotics and Prosthetics Association regarding HB 453 was reviewed. HB 453 is an act relating to the practice of pharmacy. The correspondence expressed the associations concerns with the fact that the bill would jeopardize patient protection by allowing anyone working under a Pharmacist the ability to provide diabetic shoes/inserts without training. Ms. Tivitt provided the board members with guidance as to how they could appropriately address their concerns. Following discussion of the matter, Mr. Miller made a motion that Ms. Newman draft a letter on behalf of the board expressing their concern regarding the bill. The letter was to specifically state that there was no opposition regarding the Pharmacist and that the letter was to be sent to Representative Tom McKee, bill’s sponsor, Senator John Schickle, Representative Leslie Combs, and Governor Steve Beshear. Mr. Gildehaus seconded the motion. The motion carried. Ms. Tivitt also offered that board members could lobby the representative in their district.

With the assistance of Mr. Halloran and Mr. Brengelman the board began drafting the fee regulations. During the process an error in the minutes was noticed. Mr. Williams made a motion to amend the February 10, 2011 minutes to reflect that the fee agreed upon by the Board for each continuing education event application was to be $50.00 rather than $20.00. Mr. Hatcher seconded the motion. The motion carried.
NEXT MEETING
The next board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 10, 2011 beginning at 10:00 a.m. Ms. Newman asked that Board members be prepared to drafting language with regard the Code of Ethics and Licensing Regulations.

TRAVEL AND PER DIEM
Mr. Hatcher made a motion that travel and reasonable expenses be approved for today’s meeting. Mr. Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT
Having no further business being brought before the Board for discussion Ms. Newman asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Gildehaus made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 12:45 p.m. Mr. Hatcher seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Prepared by Carolyn Benedict
Board Administrator
March 4, 2011

Approved
March 10, 2011