

# **MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2015 BOARD OF HEARING INSTRUMENT SPECIALISTS MEETING**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Brennan called the meeting of the Board of Hearing Instrument Specialists to order on Thursday, September 3, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. in the Nebraska State Office Building, Licensure Unit 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room B, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. The meeting was duly publicized by distribution of the Notice of Meeting and Agenda at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting and posting the agenda at the entrance of the Department of Health and Human Services Division of Public Health at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

## **CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENT**

Dr. Brennan announced that this is a public meeting and the Open Meetings Law is posted.

## **ROLL CALL**

The following HIS Board members and staff were present:

Dr. Mark Brennan, Chair	Misti Lutt-Chmiel, Vice-Chair
Dr. Sandra Miller, Secretary	Ed Granger, Professional Member
Michael Pierce, Public Member	Rene' Tiedt, Program Manager
Jacye LaFayette-Dymacek, Health Licensing Coordinator	

Dr. Britt Thedinger was absent from the meeting.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Pierce moved, seconded by Dr. Miller to adopt the agenda. Voting aye: Brennan, Granger, Lutt-Chmiel, Miller, and Pierce. Voting nay: None. Absent: Thedinger. Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Pierce moved, seconded by Ms. Lutt-Chmiel to approve the minutes from the June 5, 2015 meeting. Voting aye: Brennan, Granger, Lutt-Chmiel, Miller, and Pierce. Voting nay: None. Absent: Thedinger. Motion carried.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Dr. Miller moved, seconded by Ms. Lutt-Chmiel to go into closed session at 8:11 a.m. to hear discussions regarding confidential information and to protect the reputation of individuals named or referenced in such discussions. Voting aye: Brennan, Granger, Lutt-Chmiel, Miller, and Pierce. Voting nay: None. Absent: Thedinger. Motion carried.

## **OPEN SESSION**

Mr. Granger moved, seconded by Dr. Miller to return to open session at 9:28 a.m. Voting aye: Brennan, Granger, Lutt-Chmiel, Miller, and Pierce. Voting nay: None. Absent: Thedinger. Motion carried.

## **DECISIONS**

Mr. Granger moved, seconded by Dr. Brennan to approve and adopt the revised Hearing Instrument Specialist Practical Examination. Voting aye: Brennan, Granger, Lutt-Chmiel, Miller, and Pierce. Voting nay: None. Absent: Thedinger. Motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

The next practical examination and Board meeting will be on October 2, 2015. The examination will take place in the morning, and the Board meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

***\*\*signature available upon request\*\****

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Sandra Miller, Secretary

Prepared by Jacye LaFayette-Dymacek, Health Licensing Coordinator