



State of Nevada

## Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology & Hearing Aid Dispensing Board

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### MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING

Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology & Hearing Aid Dispensing Board

February 21, 2024

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**Members Present:** Andrea Menicucci, Lynee Anderson, Shawn Binn, Jennifer Joy-Cornejo, Branden Murphy, Adrienne Williams

**Members Absent:** Timothy Hunsaker

**Staff Present:** Jennifer Pierce, Executive Director  
Stacey Whittaker, Licensing Coordinator  
Henna Rasul, Sr. Deputy Attorney General, Board Counsel

**Public Present:** Nancy Kuhles, Elyse Monroy, Belz & Case "Note-Taking Bot"

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#### Call to Order, Confirmation of Quorum

Andrea Menicucci called the meeting to order at 4:32pm. A roll call confirmed a quorum was present, and Timothy Hunsaker was noted as excused absent.

#### Public Comment

Andrea Menicucci introduced this agenda item and read the following statement pursuant to AB219 (2023):

"I will now review the instructions for providing public comment during this meeting: Any person wishing to make public comment may attend this meeting and provide public comment in one of the following ways: 1. Attend the meeting and provide public comment in-person at the physical location; OR 2. Attend the meeting and provide public comment virtually through the Zoom teleconference video link listed on the agenda; OR 3. Attend the meeting and provide public comment telephonically through the Zoom telephone number listed above. Please see additional public comment instructions at the end of this agenda. Public comment is welcomed by the Board. Public comment will be limited to five minutes per person and comments based on viewpoint will not be restricted. A public comment time will be available prior to action items on the agenda and on any matter not specifically included on the agenda as the last item on the agenda. At the discretion of the Board Chair, additional public comment may be heard when that item is reached. The Board Chair may allow additional time to be given a speaker as time allows and in their sole discretion. Prior to the commencement and conclusion of a contested case or a quasi-judicial proceeding that may affect the due process rights of an individual, the Board may refuse to consider public comment."

Ms. Menicucci then called for public comment. There was no public comment.

#### Approval of the Minutes: Board Meeting and Public Workshop of January 24, 2024

Andrea Menicucci asked if there were any corrections or revisions to the minutes of the meeting and Public Workshop of January 24, 2024 and none were noted, so she called for a motion. Adrienne Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of January 24, 2024 as written. Shawn Binn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Consideration for Review and Approval of Revised FY24 Budget and Contracts for Legislative Services and Licensing Database**

Ms. Pierce explained the draft contracts presented during this meeting for the Board's final review and approval, along with a revised FY24 budget with additional expenses added for legislative services in support of the attached contract:

- Revised FY24 Budget: Presented with additional expenses added to cover legislative services in support of the proposed contract to be provided by Strategies 360 in FY24 (April – June), drafted to begin April 1, 2024. Other line items were also adjusted to reflect expenses that were originally budgeted higher than costs actually invoiced.
- Contract DRAFT – Strategies 360: Presented for approval to begin April 1, 2024 and end June 30, 2025 in support of the Board's legislative efforts.
- Contract DRAFT – Albertson Consulting, Inc.: Presented for approval to begin July 1, 2024 and end June 30, 2028. Ms. Pierce explained that a Sole Source Solicitation Waiver has been submitted to the state Purchasing Division in support of this contract as the system is currently in use and is a proprietary program customized by the vendor to this Board's licensing and regulatory needs.

Andrea Menicucci called for questions and there were none and no further discussion was held. Ms. Menicucci called for a motion. Jennifer Joy-Cornejo made a motion to approve the proposed contracts with Strategies 360 and Albertson Consulting, Inc. as drafted, as well as the revised FY24 budget as presented. Adrienne Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Following the motion, Jennifer Joy-Cornejo pointed out that the legislative services line item on the budget only included the amount but not the name of the firm (Strategies 360), and Ms. Pierce stated that she would correct the line item. Andrea Menicucci further suggested, and Ms. Pierce agreed to ask Strategies 360 to attend the April Board Meeting and provide updates on their scope of work and planned timeline for support throughout the session.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**Adjournment**

Andrea Menicucci adjourned the meeting at 4:44pm.