



Meeting Minutes



Meeting Title:	Mississippi Council of Advisors in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Meeting	
Meeting Location:	CC/PL Conference Room – ZOOM - 143B LeFleurs Square, Jackson, MS 39211	
Meeting Date:	06 February 2026	
Time:	12:30 PM	
Called to Order:	12:37 PM by Dr. Courtney Turner, quorum established	
Next Meeting Date/Time/Location:	01 May 2026 12:30 P.M. CC/PL Conference Room - ZOOM / 143B LeFleurs Square, Jackson, MS 39211	
Meeting Adjourned	12:58 P.M.	
Attendees:	<u>Council Members Present</u> Elizabeth Burklow Dr. James House III Dr. Courtney Turner Josephine (Josie) Alston	<u>Council Members Absent</u> Christine Hellums Dr. Ashley Grillis Christina Newman-Kimbrough
	<u>MSDH Staff Present</u> Amirah Saleem Felica Wang	<u>MSDH Staff Absent</u>
	<u>Attending Via Phone Conference</u>	
	<u>Members of the Public Present</u>	



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	New Business	NOTES
1.	Establish quorum	A quorum was established with both a SLP and AUD member present with the quorum of (4) council members present.
2.	Approval of October 31, 2025 minutes	A motion was made by Dr. House to approve the minutes, a second by Ms. Alston. The motion passed and the minutes of the October 31, 2025 meeting were approved.
3.	Election of officers	Dr. House nominated Dr. Turner for chairperson, and made a motion. Ms. Alston seconded the motion. The motion passed for Dr. Turner as chairperson for 2027. Ms. Alston nominated Ms. Burklow for secretary, and made a motion. Dr. House seconded the motion. The motion passed for Ms. Burklow as secretary.
4.	Reappointments/Nominations	Ms. Wang informed the Council that both Ms. Burklow and Dr. House are both eligible to serve a 2 nd term. If interested, please email MSDH with a current CV and interest statement. Both will need letter of recommendation from respective associations. Ms. Wang also informed the Council that a nomination will need to be made to replace Dr. Grillis as her term is ending 12/31/2026. The nominee will need to be from the same Supreme Court district as Dr. Grillis, and contract information can be provided to MSDH and the nominee will be contact, or the nominee can send MSDH an interest statement and current CV. A letter of recommendation from MSHA will be required as well.
5.	PRAXIS score	Dr. Turner informed the Council that the passing PRAXIS score per ASHA for both SLP and AUD is 162. A motion was made by Ms. Burklow to approve the passing score, and a second was made by Dr. House. The motion passed.
6.	ASLP-IC Update	Ms. Wang informed the Council that the Executive Director of the ASLP-IC resigned in January, and a RFP has been put out for an Executive Director if anyone is interested in applying for the position on the ASLP-IC website. Ms. Wang informed the Council that she serves as treasurer for the ASLP-IC as of September 2025, and in the executive commission meeting recently, a policy for state reimbursement was adopted. Also, while seeking a new Executive Director for ASLP-IC, the compact currently has ASMI part-time to assist with CSG.
7.	Regulation Changes/Update	Ms. Wang informed the Council that MSDH is currently working on adding requested verbiage from MSHA regarding hearing aid trial period, as well as making some administrative changes. Ms. Burklow asked how would SLP and AUD assistants be able to be added for MSDH, Ms. Wang stated that it would have to be passed in legislature first as the statute currently only allows SLP and AUD licensure, as well as SLP Aide and AUD Aide registration.
8.	Complaints	Ms. Wang informed the Council there have been no complaints.

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Dr. Courtney Turner

Council Chairperson

Felicia Wang

MSDH Representative

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