

RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF HEARING AID DEALERS AND FITTERS

February 12, 2009

MINUTES OF MEETING

The Open Session of the Board of Hearing Aid Dealers and Fitters was called to order at 8:30 a.m. on the above date in Room 104, Cannon Building, Department of Health, Three Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Open Meeting Law, so called, and other applicable provisions of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended. A quorum was established.

Board members in attendance:

James Healey

Cathy Atkinson

Edward Melusky

Board members not in attendance:

Michael Lancia

Staff members in attendance:

J. Michel Martineau

Others in attendance:

Shelley Deming, Allied Court Reporters

Minutes of the meeting held May 8, 2008 were presented. On a motion by James Healey seconded by Cathy Atkinson, the Board unanimously voted to accept the minutes as presented.

Board Members discussed the merits of having 1 rather than 2 Board Members administer the Practical exam. Members agreed that as it pertains to the first time a candidate sits for the Practical, 2 Members are ideal, but that 1 may give the exam on occasion, per scheduling considerations. For candidates requiring a retake of the exam, the Board will strive to have 2 Board Members present.

Board members reviewed printouts of HAD license holders for the purposes of reviewing the status of expired licensees. After some discussion Members were comfortable with current practice of the Department.

Adjournment

On a motion by Dr. James Healey, seconded by Cathy Atkinson, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 AM. The next meeting will be held May 7, 2009.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Michel Martineau
Board Administrator