

# NBASLPA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 20, 2013 Teleconference meeting

3:30pm

**In attendance:** Michelle L., Darrelyn S., Danielle, Debbie, Kari

**Regrets:** Annie

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 3:41pm.
2. **Acceptance of Agenda:** **MOTION:** Michelle moved to accept the agenda as presented. Debbie seconded this motion.
3. **Acceptance of Previous Minutes:** Danielle requested the following suggestions to the previous minutes:
  - 4.19 add: "instead of 5,000,000 for 3 years giving a \$850/year savings".
  - 5.1 in the last sentence before the motion statement, it should read "Danielle and Darrelyn were not comfortable..."

**MOTION:** Michelle moved to accept the Minutes as ammended. Debbie seconded the motion.

## 4. Business Arising:

**4.1 Call for a French SLP for the Discipline Committee (Darrelyn - Danielle) - Tabled.**

**4.2 Rule 14 re: support personnel (Darrelyn & Debbie):** Debbie placed information regarding the use of support personnel in other Canadian jurisdictions in DropBox. **ACTION:** Executive members are directed to this file of information and asked to review and come prepared to the next meeting with recommendations, focusing on the use of SLP support personnel as it applies to the current situation.

**4.3 Blue Cross funding iPads/Proloquo2go (Annie & Danielle) - Tabled**

**4.4 Directory and members information and Personal Health Information in NB (Danielle):** Danielle has spoken with the developer for our new website who feels that it is possible to set up so as to conduct custom searches such as "find a professional" however there is not yet any specific information regarding how to set this up.

**4.5 CEE (Debbie): ACTION:** Debbie will work with the CEE subcommittee to draft a proposed CEE process and have this draft prepared to bring to the next Executive Council meeting for approval. **MOTION:** It was moved by Debbie and seconded by Michelle that, going forward, item 4.5 will be removed from the agenda and similar issues will be brought forward under the Membership Committee updates.

**4.6 Indebtedness Rule (Annie & Danielle) - Tabled**

**4.7 Derogation Request (Darrelyn):** Darrelyn has not yet sent the letter but will deliver in person on Wednesday next week when she meets with clinicians in Moncton.

**4.8 Strategic Planning (Danielle):** Danielle is still working on invitations that need to be sent.

**4.9 Regional Reps - Tabled**

**4.10 Shippigan Early Intervention - Tabled**

**4.11 Lay Rep (Danielle) - Tabled**

**4.12 Swallowing Assessments in Nursing Homes (Darrelyn):** Darrelyn still has not heard any further updates on this matter. **ACTION:** Megan Touchie & Darin Luke are SLPs in Fredericton providing services to Nursing Homes. Kari agreed to contact them for information. Michelle will speak with Herica Matos in Tracadie.

**4.13 Membership Application Process (Debbie) -** Debbie will forward current proposal to Darrelyn who will take to the Legislation Committee for approval.

**4.14 Director's Insurance (Danielle) -** Danielle reported that this matter is complete. She is waiting for the contract to arrive and will forward it to Diane to keep on file at the NBASLPA office. **MOTION:** Michelle moved to remove this item from the agenda. Debbie seconded the motion.

**4.15 Pan-Can May Month Initiative (Danielle) - MOTION:** Since May is past and there is no further action to be taken on this matter, Debbie moved to remove this item from the agenda. Michelle seconded the motion.

**4.16 Language Benchmarks - Visit to NB (Danielle)** The evaluator from CCLB (Colette Pepin) will be in NB for a 3-day period from July 10-12. She will travel to Tracadie on the 10th and will observe Michelle & Herica Matos. On July 11th she will observe Heidi Eaton and Debbie. On July 12th she will be at TMH and observe with Nadine and Colette LeBlanc (provided that TMH provides consent for this - decision is still pending from the Research & Ethics Board). Plan B for July 12th is to observe Darrelyn and another audiologist in Moncton.

**4.17 AGM and Conference (Danielle) -** The AGM organizing committee in Bathurst is requesting permission to use the Award Committee budget in order to pay for presenters fees for the conference. There will be no awards presented this year as the Awards Committee is inactive. This matter was discussed at length.

**MOTION:** Michelle moved to accept this request and to allow the funds to be used in this way. Debbie seconded the motion.

The Committee is starting to approach donors regarding possible contributions toward the AGM. Preliminary budget figures are approximately \$8000. The venue at this point is set for Atlantic Host Conference Centre but if this site proves too small, we will have to use some off-site space (possibly at the hospital). Two options were presented for the AGM schedule (see Appendix A). The pros and cons of each option were discussed.

**MOTION:** Debbie moved to select option 2. Michelle seconded the motion. **ACTION:** Darrelyn will communicate this decision back to Jennifer O'Donnell.

**4.18 Members' concerns with SLP assistants positions in the school system (Michelle & Darrelyn) -** Michelle has heard nothing further on this matter. The posting that was up is not there anymore. Nadine contacted CASLPA regarding our concerns and was informed that they need an "official" request. **ACTION:** Darrelyn will send this request to Chantale Kealy at CASLPA tomorrow.

Darrelyn reported that Brian Kelly, Director of Student Support Services is setting up a committee for professional standards. We have been assured that we will be involved in this. Darrelyn, Michelle, a Hospital based SLP will attend the initial face to face meeting when it is held (date yet to be determined).

**4.19 Revision of the Official Languages Act (Danielle) -** no further news as yet.

**4.20 Consultants:** This matter was dealt with at the last meeting with no need for follow-up. **MOTION:** Michelle moved to remove this item from the agenda. Debbie seconded the motion.

## 5. New Business

**5.1 SLP posing a diagnosis of dyslexia in NB (Darrelyn & Danielle) -** Michelle reports that she is receiving a lot of feedback from the Francophone SLPs regarding this matter as is Danielle. Apparently training in Québec is different and this type of diagnosis would fall within an SLPs scope of practice in that province. This matter was discussed at considerable length and it was decided that in order to make an informed decision regarding this matter, a committee should be struck to investigate it further. It is felt that a sub committee of the SLP standing committee would be a valid option. **ACTION:** Michelle will contact Noella to provide her with a brief summary of our discussion and recommendations. She will copy both Darrelyn and Danielle on this correspondence. Danielle will then contact the SLPs in questions to brief them regarding our discussion and have them contact Noella.

**5.2 Communicationnb.ca website (Danielle) -** Danielle is meeting next Tuesday with the designer of our old website. The goal of this meeting is to discuss with him how to do the transition and how to terminate our business with him. The website domain has been renewed and after the new website goes live, the old site will have a re-routing message on it for a period of 1 month.

**5.3 CASLPA Conference every 2 years and NBASLPA Conference (Danielle) - deferred**

**5.4 Student Stipends - ACTION:** Darrelyn will draft a letter of concern tomorrow and circulate to the Executive for input prior to sending it.

**5.5 DropBox -** all Executive members successfully accessed the DropBox file created by Debbie. Minutes and other pertinent information will be stored here in future for ease of access.

6. **Registrar's Report -** 1 complaint being investigated

7. **Treasurer's Report** - no report available
8. **CASLPA Board Member's Report** - no report available
9. **Executive Director's Report** - no report available
10. **CAASPR/CISG/Pan-Can/ FHP Reports** - no developments since last meeting
11. **Committee Reports.**
  - 11.1 **Legislation** -
  - 11.2 **Public Relations** - This group is currently working to create promotional posters.
  - 11.3 **AGM & Conference** - see item 4.17
  - 11.4 **TTF** - no news
  - 11.5 **Awards** - inactive
  - 11.6 **S-LP** - no news
  - 11.7 **Audiology** - no news
  - 11.8 **Echo** - no news
  - 11.9 **Membership** - since the last meeting, we have processed 1 new member application.
  - 11.10 **Website** - no news
  - 11.11 **Regional Reps.** - no news
  - 11.12 **Complaints** - no news
  - 11.13 **Discipline** - no news
  - 11.14 **Translation** - no news
  - 11.15 **Finance** - no news

**MOTION:** Michelle moved to accept all committee reports as presented. Annie seconded the motion.

12. **Varia:** Darrelyn will do an update for the ECHO introducing the Executive Council to the membership (including our group photo) and sharing information regarding some of the work we've done to date this year.

**13. Date and time of next meeting. ACTION:** Danielle will send DoodlePoll for last 2 weeks of July and first 2 weeks of August in order to set next meeting date.

**14. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 5:10pm

APPENDIX A

OPTION 1

Friday, November 15 (8:30 – 4:30 (morning break: 10:00-10:30; lunch: 12:00-1:00; afternoon break: 2:30-3:00))

<b>AUDIOLOGY</b> Atlantic Host Room X	<b>SLP (Pediatrics)</b> Atlantic Host Room X	<b>SLP (FR Pediatrics)</b> Atlantic Host Room X	<b>SLP (Adults)</b> Room A, Chaleur Regional Hospital	<b>Exhibits</b> Atlantic Host Room X Breaks & Lunch
<b>BAHA</b> <b>Bone Bridge &amp; EAS</b> <b>Children with Additional Disabilities</b> Advanced Bionics <b>NB Cochlear Implant Follow-up Program</b>	Lynne Healy The Language/Literacy Connection  Target audience: SLPs, education staff	Lisa Massaro La parole chez les enfants présentant une anomalie craniomaxillofaciale : Approche pratique à l'évaluation et à l'intervention Target audience: SLPs	Judy Schmidbauer Head and Neck Cancer JO emailed June 18; depends if she goes to ASHA or not  Target audience: SLPs	Phonak, Cochlear, Oticon, Med-El, etc.  Try to get at least one speech one.

Breakfast will be on your own. Morning and afternoon nutrition breaks and lunch will be provided.

Saturday, November 16:

<b>Breakfast</b> 8:00 – 8:30	
<b>NBASLPA AGM</b> 8:30 – 10:30	
<b>Quick Nutrition / Stretch Break</b> 10:30 – 10:45	
Danielle Arsenault, NBASLPA ED <b>CAASPR 411</b> 10:45 – 11:45	
<b>Lunch &amp; Prize Draws</b> 11:45 – 12:30	
<b>AUDIOLOGY</b> 12:30 – 2:30	<b>SLP (Pediatrics)</b> 12:30 – 2:30
<b>Audio Companies' Rehab Apps &amp; Technology</b>	Lisa Massaro Communication Issues in Child Psychiatry

OPTION 2

<b>AUDIOLOGY</b> Atlantic Host Room X	<b>SLP (Pediatrics)</b> Atlantic Host Room X	<b>SLP (FR Pediatrics)</b> Atlantic Host Room X	<b>SLP (Adults)</b> Room A, Chaleur Regional Hospital	<b>Exhibits</b> Atlantic Host Room X Breaks & Lunch
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<b>Dinner &amp; NBASLPA AGM</b> Time?				

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Saturday, November 16:

<b>Breakfast &amp; Learn</b> Danielle Arsenault, NBASLPA ED <b>CAASPR 411</b> 8:15 – 10:00 (Food served at 8:15 / Presentation begins at 8:30)
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**Audio Companies' Rehab Apps & Technology**

10:00 - 12:00

**SLP (Pediatrics)**

**Lisa Massaro**

Communication Issues in Child Psychiatry

10:00 - 12:00