



# Arizona Commission

for the deaf and the hard of hearing

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**Minutes of the meeting of the Arizona Commission for the Deaf and  
the Hard of Hearing, Board Meeting.  
Meeting held February 17, 2022 at 4:30pm.  
Meeting was held remotely via teleconference and Zoom due to  
COVID-19.**

### **Call to Order & Roll Call**

Commissioner Jantz called the meeting to order at **4:40 PM**

Commissioners present via Zoom: PV Jantz, Sarah Benton, Fred Williams, Missy Keast, Susan Webster, Andrew Cohen, Jennifer Scarboro, Catherine Sienko, Melanie O'Rourke

Commissioners absent: Barbara Brimhall, Judy Huch

Staff Present: Sherri Collins, Carlos Castillo, Betty McEntire, Carmen Green Smith, Emmett Hassen, Victoria Vaughn, Jeremy McCown, Chyla Dalton-Nava

Also present: AAG Jo-Ann Handy

### **Approval of Minutes- December 1st, 2021**

**Commissioner Jantz moved to approve the minutes from the December 1st, 2021 Board Meeting; Commissioners Benton and Scarboro seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.**

### **Public Comments**

Commissioner Benton began by reading the rules for public comments. Helen Young, who was commenting on the recent fines imposed on her. She expressed that she feels she did not breach the code of ethics, and is asking the board to consider suspending the imposed fine until she can obtain legal counsel for the allegations. She feels as if she did not have due process within the investigation of the allegations against her. She would also like the Attorney General's office to investigate this process.

**Legal Advice- Helen Young**

**Commissioner Webster Moves that the board go into executive session to discuss legal advice about Ms. Helen Young; Commissioner Jantz seconds, the motion passes unanimously.**

**The board enters Executive Session at 5:00 PM.**

**Executive session is completed at 6:52 PM.**

**The board takes a break, starting at 6:54 PM.**

**The Board returns from break at 7:02 PM.**

**Commissioner Benton Moves that the board withdraw the motion from the December 1st, 2021 meeting, regarding the civil fine of \$1000, and the additional requirement of completing a five-hour ethics course or training for Ms. Helen Young. If those requirements are not met, the license will be suspended. Commissioner Webster seconds; The motion carried unanimously.**

**Commissioner Benton moves that the commission impose a penalty of \$1000 to Ms. Helen Young, for the matters that were brought to the board at the last meeting. Commissioner Webster seconded the motion, the motion passed with Commissioner Cohen abstaining.**

**Commissioner Benton moves that the board offer Ms. Helen Young an informal resolution for the fine of \$100, that the informal resolution be five hours of CEUs in ethics. Commissioners Webster and Jantz second the motion. The motion carries with Commissioner Keast opposing.**

**Commissioner Benton moves that for the second penalty, that the Board offer an informal resolution of a 25% reduction in the civil penalty of \$1000. Commissioner Williams seconds the motion. Commissioner Keast offers the amendment of the 25% reduction, in addition to an ethical workshop. Commissioner Benton rejects this amendment.**

**Commissioner Benton withdraws her motion for a 25% reduction in the civil penalty of \$1000 for Ms. Helen Young. Commissioner Williams seconds the withdrawal of the motion.**

**Commissioner Keast moves that Ms. Young be put on probationary status for six months; Commissioner Scarboro seconds the motion. Commissioner Scarboro offers the amendment adding that the current motion will be an informal resolution. Commissioner Keast accepts this amendment.**

**Commissioner Keast offers an amendment to her motion that Ms. Young's probation follows the rules of a Provisional C license; Commissioner Scarboro**

**seconds the motion.**

**Commissioner Keast withdraws her amendment to the current motion of adding a six month probationary period imposed on Ms. Helen Young. Commissioner Scarboro accepts the withdrawal.**

**Commissioner Keast moves that the rest of the agenda be tabled for another board meeting; Commissioner Scarboro seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously.**

### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Cohen left the meeting at 8:00 PM, and the meeting had to end due to lack of quorum. The meeting ended at 8:04 PM.

Dated this 18th day of February 2022 by PV Jantz, Committee Chair

The undersigned certifies that a copy of the attached notice was duly posted this 22nd day of February, 2022 at 5:00 pm by Chyla Dalton-Nava.