# BOARD OF APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS



## STATE OF NEVADA

Upholding ethical standards of practice and conduct, the Nevada Board of Applied Behavior Analysis licenses and registers trained professionals, prioritizing consumer protection through regulatory oversight.

June 18, 2024, Board Meeting- DRAFT Minutes

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Dr. Fronapfel. Members in attendance: Christy Fuller, Courtney LoMonaco, Dr. Fronapfel and Lynda Tache. Stephanie Huff was absent. Wendy Knorr, Executive Director and DAG, Henna Rasul were present.
- 2. Mission Statement was read aloud. See above
- 3. Public Comment- There was no public comment
- 4. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:

The May 21, 2024 meeting minutes were approved as presented. Courtney LoMonaco made the motion to approve; Lynda Tache seconded the motion; and the motion passed.

- 5. Executive Director's Report:
  - The Certemy contract was approved by BOE and goes into effect 7-1-24.
  - Wendy and Annette met with representatives from Thentia and Big Picture, licensing platform providers to review their products and discuss NVABA's needs as part of the process to explore options for possible transition to a new vender.
  - Wendy shared she will be on PTO June 24-28
- 6. Legislative Update We are aware of possible efforts planned for the upcoming Legislative session including efforts to remove/reduce the DPS requirements for RBT registrations; the BACB requirement in statue could be challenged due to increased activity from other accreditation organizations to be recognized/approved for licensure; and efforts to require school districts to allow LBAs to provide services in schools and prohibit students from being penalized for leaving school to receive treatment. There are questions about the school related issue - if it is a systemic issue with the education system or if it is a policy issue that should be addressed legislatively. There is a lack of data at this point in time. Variations by district appear to be common and may not need to be addressed statewide. Wendy reported that DPS is again understaffed and is using a third-party mail house adding to the delay. Currently running 6-8 weeks for receiving completed reports. These continued delays fuel frustration and interest in making changes to regulations requiring background checks. Lynda Tache reported that there is conversation among Las Vegas advocates regarding the issue. Professionals in Clark County are not being allowed into the classroom to provide services and children leaving school to receive their hours are being penalized/considered truant. Not sure if this is the same group expressing concerns, but this has been an issue in Clark County for some time now. Dr. Fronapfel relayed that NABA had attempted a BDR to address some similar concerns and the message came back from the legislative body that if it was a Clark County issue it would need to be addressed locally and not through the regulatory or legislative process. At the local level, school boards, the education department, etc. should be addressing local issues. Dr. Fronapfel also asked the members to think about the possibility of working with a lobbyist for the upcoming session. We may need to consider paying for services or working with other organizations for related issues.
- 7. Nevada Applied Behavior Association (NABA) Report no report
- 8. Review, Discussion, and Possible Approval of Board Activities none to discuss

9. Complaints- 31 open complaints; still working on clarifying procedures/process.

#### 10. Financial Update

May Financial Reports

FY 24-26 Budget - Information was reviewed at the May meeting and the vote to approve was deferred to June meeting. Courtney LoMonaco made the motion to approve the budget presented; Christy Fuller seconded it, and the motion was approved.

### 11. Discussion of Current Status of Applications and other Licensing Activities-

RBT's: 56 issued in May; 30 to date in June; current state total: 2523 LaBA's: 1 issued in May; 0 to date in June; current state total: 46

LBA's: 9 issued in May; 4 issued to date in June: current state total: 620

Total number of licensed/registered ABA professionals in the state: 3189

#### 12. Determine Future Agenda Items

Lynda Tache made the motion to include all the standard agenda items, mention of the mission statement and the discussion of hiring a lobbyist for the July meeting; Courtney LoMonaco seconded the motion; the motion passed.

- 13. Public Comment There was no public comment
- 14. Adjournment- the meeting was adjourned at 10:37 a.m.