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BOARD OF APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYST EXAMINERS PUBLIC SESSION MEETING MINUTES 11:00 A.M. FEBRUARY 27, 2024

The February 27, 2024 meeting of the New Jersey State Board of Applied Behavior Analyst Examiners was not held at 124 Halsey Street, Newark, New Jersey, but was conducted electronically only as authorized by P.L. 2020, c. 11 (N.J.S.A. 10:4-9.3). Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, notice was provided electronically within 72 hours of the scheduled meeting, and has been provided by mail to the Office of the Secretary of the State of New Jersey, The Newark Star Ledger, The Trenton Times, The Bergen Record and the Courier Post and also posted on the Board's web page. The meeting began at 11:00 A.M., and was accessible to the public by a link provided on the Board's public agenda.

The meeting can be accessed by the public via this link or call-in numbers below:

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Meeting ID: 161 417 5639

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I. ROLL CALL

Suzanne Buchanan, Psy.D., BCBA-D, Chair – **Present**

David Wilson, Ph.D., BCBA-D, Vice-Chair – **Present**

Darren Blough, MSW, BCaBA – **Present**

Sandra Howell, Ph.D. – **Present**

James A. Paone, II, Esq. – **Present**

Lisa Toole, M.A., BCBA - **Present**

Rosemary Browne, MSW – **Present**

Daniel Roman, Deputy Attorney General – **Present**

Charles Manning, Regulatory Analyst – **Excused**

Benn Schulberg, Executive Director – **Present**

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES

1. January 23, 2024 Public Minutes

On a motion by Dr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Paone, the Board approved the public minutes. Voting in favor: All.

III. OLD BUSINESS

1. Jurisprudence questions

The Board reviewed the Jurisprudence introduction page and questions. A multiple-choice option was removed from subchapter seven, question one, but there were no substantive changes made.

On a motion by Mr. Blough, seconded by Ms. Browne, the Board voted to approve the content of the Jurisprudence introduction and questions. Voting in favor: All.

2. Board communication with the Department of Education

The Board noted that there is new leadership at DOE and that it may be necessary to re-send the email requesting a meeting to those contacts.

3. Review of electronic demo application

The Board reviewed the electronic demo application and noted that on the top of the application page the word “Licensed” needed to be removed. The Board also noted that in the section referring to the credibility of credentials it should state that “those credentials issued by the BACB meet this standard.” The Board discussed clarifying the question referring to fingerprinting by other agencies to ensure applicants know out of state background checks aren’t being requested.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. New law for bias training

The Board discussed whether the Board and licensees would be required to take bias training. No definitive answers were provided.

2. Coaching as separate service

The Board discussed correspondence in which a psychologist asked for clarification on whether a coaching business involving consultation to families with young children with autism would violate regulations if she advertised as a coach who earned a doctoral degree in clinical psychology. She stated that she would not be working as a psychologist or BCBA. Board administration referred her to the Board of Psychological Examiners regulations on advertisement and scope of practice.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Nothing scheduled.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

VII. REGULATORY AFFAIRS

None.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Gabe Theosmy stated his interest in the licensure timeline as he oversees a business employing BCBAs. The Board explained that regulations are still in process of being ratified and once that process is complete the Board will provide an update on the website.

IX. BOARD MEETING DATES

1. 2024 Meeting Dates

March 19, 2024	August 20, 2024
April 23, 2024	September 17, 2024
May 21, 2024	October 29, 2024
June 18, 2024	November 19, 2024
July 23, 2024	December 17, 2024

X. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Paone, seconded by Dr. Howell, the Board closed the public portion of the meeting and moved to executive session for investigations and advice of counsel. When and if action is taken, it will be announced during public session. The Board does not anticipate any action to be taken following executive session. The Board moved to executive session at 11:31 A.M.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2024.