

**Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board
Licensed Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee
October 27, 2021, 1:00 p.m. Meeting**

Call to Order: Bruce Nystrom, Chair of the Advisory Committee, called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

Committee Members attended: Bruce Nystrom, Jacqueline Lightcap, Kimberly Becker, Linda Heizman-Powell, and Mike Wasmer were present by Zoom.

BSRB Staff in Attendance: David Fye and Leslie Allen attended by Zoom.

Review and Approval for the Agenda: The agenda was approved without changes.

New Business:

Advisory Committee Membership: David Fye, Executive Director for the Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board (BSRB), noted that the Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee had not met recently, so he contacted past Advisory Committee members to see if they wished to continue to serve on the Advisory Committee. The Executive Director informed the Advisory Committee that former Advisory Committee members Linda Burgen and Dan Peterson no longer wished to serve on the Advisory Committee.

The Executive Director noted he sent a message to all licensees, stating that the Advisory Committee was considering adding new members and anyone interested in being added to the Advisory Committee should submit a resume and letter of interest to the BSRB. The Executive Director provided a handout on Advisory Committees, explaining the role of Advisory Committees, composition of Advisory Committees, and the process Advisory Committee members should use when evaluating candidates for the Advisory Committee. Seven applicants requested consideration of being added to the Advisory Committee. The Executive Director previously provided letters of interest and resumes from the candidates to the Advisory Committee members for review and consideration. After reviewing and discussing applicants, the Advisory Committee recommended Allyson Bell, Emily Kessler, Christine Marie Stiehl, and Alice Zhang be added to the Behavior Analyst Advisory Committee. The Executive Director stated he would inform the Chair of the Board.

Consideration of Adding Behavior Analyst to the Board of the BSRB: Advisory Committee members discussed that while the Behavior Analyst profession is regulated by the BSRB, no Board member position is designated for a Behavior Analyst. The Executive Director noted that existing BSRB statutes name the professions for the 8 professional members on the Board, but no statutory language directs there to be a Behavior Analyst on the Board. Therefore, it would take a bill passed by the Legislature to add a Behavior Analyst to the Board of the BSRB. The Advisory Committee recommended forwarding a request for the Board to include in legislation the addition of a member to the Board to represent the Behavior Analyst profession.

Next Meeting: The Executive Director stated he would send a poll to check availability for the next meeting date.

Adjournment: Bruce Nystrom moved to Adjourn. Linda Heizman-Powell seconded. The motion carried.