# Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board 4334 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd., Suite C-150, Baton Rouge, LA 70816

## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 9, 2022**

(Draft September 21, 2022)

The meeting of the Louisiana Behavior Analyst Board (Board) was noticed and called to order by Board Vice-Chair, Angela Murray, at 9:10 a.m. on Friday, September 9, 2022 at 4334 S. Sherwood Forest Blvd., Suite C-150, Baton Rouge, Louisiana and also being broadcast on Zoom. Present were Board Members: Angela Murray, Joseph Tuminello, III, Daniela Riofrio, Alfred Tuminello, Jr., Courtney Wright, Renee Cole, Executive Director Rhonda Boe and Executive Administrator, Krysta Babin.

Ms. Boe informed everyone Governor Edwards announced the new board member appointments effective September 7, 2022, thereby negating Board Chair Calvin Cryer's attendance at this meeting. Mr. Cryer's seat will be filled by Rebecca Mandal-Blasio, Ph.D. who will be in attendance at the October meeting. Courtney Wright, J.D. was appointed to a second term.

A motion was made by Ms. Wright to approve the agenda for the September 9, 2022 Long Range Planning and Board Meeting. None opposed and the motion passed.

A motion was made by Ms. Cole to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2022 meeting. None opposed and the motion passed.

The following individuals attended this meeting in person: Jeanne Donaldson, Ph.D., Katie Barlow, Ashley Robichaux, Emily Bellaci, and Tiffany Bonds.

Board members introduced themselves and the following presentations began:

1) Daniela Riofrio

Chapter 3 Application Procedures and Board Fees Chapter 4 License, Certification and Registration Renewal Process

2) Angela Murray

Chapter 8 Continuing Education Requirements for Licensed Behavior Analysts and State-Certified Assistant Behavior Analysts

3) Rhonda Boe

Chapter 10 Ethical Standards

4) Dr. Joseph Tuminello

Chapter 302 (4) and Chapter 303 (4) Online Jurisprudence Exam

5) Alfred Tuminello, Jr.

Title 37, Chapter 60 §3706 (5) – Nationally Recognized Exam

6) Renee Cole

Chapter 5 Supervision Requirements

7) Courtney Wright

Chapter 6 Rules for Disciplinary Action

There were no questions received prior to the meeting. In-attendance questions were:

**Chapter 8** – Is there a cap or limits on how many hours in a category? 1 Academic semester hour = 15 CE hours 1/4 Academic semester hour = 10 CE hours Instructional CE Events on 1 time basis max is 50% of total hours required. BACB Events max is 25% of total hours required. Scholarly Activities max is 25% of total hours required.

**Chapter 1** – Will paper renewals still be accepted?

Paper renewals will be accepted as it is stated in our law.

**Chapter 5** – I understand the logic presented regarding approving credentialing agencies but what implications might that have if going forward you stated this could change?

The board is not allowed to designate a specific credentialing agency. The requirement that an agency be a substantial equivalent to credential professional practitioners of behavior analysis is a benchmark the board will use. In the future, another credential agency could meet the standards. The board was thanked and appreciation expressed for protecting the profession.

Board Vice-Chair Angela Murray asked if there were any more questions. Murray made a motion for a 10-minute break. None opposed and the motion passed. Long Range Planning Meeting and zoom broadcast ended at 9:47 a.m.

Pursuant to LSA R.S. 42:6.1(4), Ms. Murray moved to enter Executive Session at 10:07 a.m. for personnel review, credential file reviews and other matters.

Krysta Babin left the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

Ms. Murray closed Executive Session at 12:47 p.m.

Ms. Murray began the Open Meeting at 12:48 p.m.

#### Credentials Review Committee:

The following was reported regarding the credential file reviews:

Licensure Applicants 9.22/A, 9.22/B, 9.22/C, 9.22/E, 9.22/H, 9.22/I, 9.22/J, 9.22/K, 9.22/L, 9.22/M, 9.22/N and 9.22/O were reviewed and approved for licensure.

Licensure Applicants 9.22/D, 9.22/F and 9.22/G were reviewed and approved for licensure upon receipt of the final documents by mail.

Certificant Applicants 9.22/P and 9.22/Q were reviewed and approved for certification

The status of other applicants reviewed are contained in the attached report.

#### Complaints Committee:

Ms. Boe presented the following report on behalf of Complaints Coordinator, Ellen Brocato:

| 2021-014C | Respondent obtained counsel and is working towards agreement. |
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| 2021-002B | Consent Agreement being considered                            |

| 2021 <b>-</b> 002B | Consent Agreement being considered |
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| 2021-003B          | Consent Agreement being considered |
| 2021-004B          | Consent Agreement being considered |

| 2022-006C.A. | Waiting on final report from criminal investigation |
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| 2022-006C.B. | Waiting on final report from criminal investigation |

2022-007C Reviewing evidence provided

2022-008C.A. Petition for Declaratory Judgment filed against board 2022-008C.B. Petition for Declaratory Judgment filed against board

2022-009C Investigation ongoing

#### Finance Committee:

Ms. Riofrio made a motion to approve the LSBEP invoice for August if no apparent discrepancies noted. None opposed and the motion passed.

Financials for July were reviewed and discussed. Ms. Cole made a motion to approve the savings reconciliation for July. None opposed and the motion passed. Ms. Wright made a motion to approve the checking reconciliation for July. None opposed and the motion passed. The board reviewed the Balance Sheet, General Ledger, Monthly Profit and Loss and Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual for June. Ms. Murray made a motion to approve the full financials. None opposed and the motion passed. The board also reviewed and discussed the need to amend this year's budget due to pending changes to renewal fees, additional employees and other related expenses. The board will review the projected FY2023/24 budget at the October meeting.

#### Jurisprudence Committee:

Tabled to October meeting.

## Legislative Oversight Committee:

Tabled to October meeting.

# Policies and Procedures Committee:

Tabled to October meeting.

## Continuing Education Committee:

Tabled to October meeting.

#### Supervision Oversight Committee:

Tabled to October meeting.

## Long Range Planning:

Tabled to October meeting.

#### Discussion Items:

Tabled to October meeting.

# Executive Director's Report:

Tabled to October meeting.

## **Future Meetings:**

The next meeting is scheduled for October 5, 2022. The board decided to wait to schedule future meeting dates when their new board member is in attendance.

Mr. Tuminello made a motion that Angela Murray assume the role of Chair for one year. None opposed and the motion passed. Ms. Wright made a motion that Joseph Tuminello, III assume the role of Vice-Chair for one year. None opposed and the motion passed.

Ms. Murray adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

# **CREDENTIAL FILE REVIEWS:**

 $\underline{After\ review\ of\ the\ reports,\ explanations,\ and\ documents,\ the\ following\ occurred:}$ 

| 9.22/1  | Mr. Tuminello made a motion to approve. None opposed.  |
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| 9.22/2  | Mr. Tuminello made a motion to stand by the original revocation letter and individual not be allowed to reapply until matter is resolved. None opposed.    |
| 9.22/3  | Employer decided not to move forward with applicant.   |
| 9.22/4  | Mr. Tuminello made a motion to approve if results match exactly when results received. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/5  | Applicant did not complete the proper CBC so the board will not receive results until this is done correctly. Applicant and supervisor have been notified. |
| 9.22/6  | Mr. Tuminello made a motion to approve if requested documents are provided and results match exactly. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/7  | Mr. Tuminello made a motion to approve. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/8  | Ms. Murray made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/9  | Ms. Murray made a motion to approve with required monthly updates. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/10 | Ms. Murray made a motion to approve. None opposed. Mr. Tuminello abstained.  |
| 9.22/11 | Ms. Murray made a motion to approve if results match exactly when results received. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/12 | Ms. Wright made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/13 | Ms. Wright made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/14 | Ms. Wright made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/15 | Ms. Wright made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/16 | Ms. Wright made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/17 | Ms. Riofrio made a motion to approve. None opposed. Mr. Tuminello abstained.   |

| 9.22/18 | Ms. Riofrio made a motion to deny until resolution of the pending charges due to the nature of the charges. None opposed.                             |
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| 9.22/19 | Ms. Riofrio made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/20 | Ms. Riofrio made a motion to deny based on recent termination as a RLT which raised ethical concerns. Applicant can reapply in 2 years. None opposed. |
| 9.22/21 | Ms. Riofrio made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/22 | Employer decided not to move forward with applicant.  |
| 9.22/23 | Dr. Tuminello made a motion to approve if results match exactly when results received. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/24 | Received CBC Results / No Review Required / Processed   |
| 9.22/25 | Dr. Tuminello made a motion to approve if results match exactly when results received. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/26 | Dr. Tuminello made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/27 | Dr. Tuminello made a motion to approve. None opposed.   |
| 9.22/28 | Mr. Tuminello made a motion to approve if results match exactly when results received. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/29 | Ms. Cole made a motion to approve if requested documents are provided and results match exactly. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/30 | Ms. Cole reviewed file and noted no action was required.  |
| 9.22/31 | Ms. Cole made a motion to approve. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/32 | Ms. Cole made a motion to approve administrative revocation. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/33 | Ms. Cole made a motion to approve. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/34 | Ms. Murray made a motion to approve. None opposed.  |
| 9.22/35 | Ms. Cole made a motion to continue working with required monthly updates. None opposed.   |

# The following applications are to provide monthly updates for review.

| 8.19/8   | Update received.   |
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| 6.21/8   | Update received.   |
| 10.21/7  | Update received.   |
| 3.22/C   | Send reminder 6 month update required next month.  |
| 11.21/10 | Update received.   |
| 11.21/6  | Update received.   |
| 2.22/9   | Update received. Ms. Murray made a motion that the file be closed due to RLT having satisfied the monthly reporting requirement. None opposed.   |
| 3.22/14  | Update received.   |
| 4.22/8   | Update received.   |
| 5.22/20  | Ms. Murray made a motion that update needs to be provided by October meeting. If no update received, registration will be revoked. None opposed. |
| 5.22/21  | Update received.   |
| 5.22/28  | Ms. Wright made a motion to remind applicant of monthly updates. None opposed.   |
| 6.22/1   | Update received.   |
| 6.22/10  | Update received.   |
| 6.22/12  | Ms. Cole made a motion to require official document showing current status. None opposed.  |
| 7.22/12  | Ms. Murray made a motion that update needs to be provided by October meeting. If no update received, registration will be revoked. None opposed. |