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**ADVISORY BOARD ON BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS
Minutes
February 1, 2016**

The Advisory Board on Behavior Analysis met on Monday, February 1, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Henrico, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Keri Bethune, PhD, BCBA-D
Kate Lewis, MS, BCBA, LBA
Amanda Kusterer, BCaBA
Asha Patton Smith, MD
Gary Fletcher

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director
Alan Heaberlin, Deputy Director, Licensing
Elaine Yeatts, DHP Senior Policy Analyst
Bradley Verry, Licensing Specialist

GUESTS PRESENT: Christy Evanko, VABA

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Bethune called the meeting to order at 10:08 am.

EMERGENCY EGRESS PROCEDURES

Mr. Heaberlin announced the Emergency Egress Procedures.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called. A quorum was present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Heaberlin asked to amend the agenda to include the approval of the October 6, 2014 meeting minutes. Ms. Lewis moved to adopt the agenda with the amendment. The motion was seconded and carried.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2015 and OCTOBER 6, 2014

In separate motions, Ms. Kusterer moved to adopt the minutes as written. The motions were seconded and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Evanko indicated that she had several bills she would share with the Board at the appropriate time on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Legislative Update

Ms. Yeatts informed the Advisory Board of bills of interest from the 2016 session of the General Assembly. No action was required. Ms. Evanko brought several other bills to the attention of the Advisory Board.

2. Comment received regarding continuing education, discussion and vote to recommend approval

Ms. Yeatts discussed with the Advisory Board the public comment regarding proposed regulatory changes to continuing education for renewal and reinstatement of a license. Mr. Fletcher moved to approve the draft language and to recommend it to the full Board of Medicine for consideration. Dr. Harp informed the Advisory Board that this item would be on the Board of Medicine's agenda for February 19th.

3. VABA Press Release for 1000 Licensed Behavior Analysts

Ms. Bethune discussed with the Advisory Board the intention of the Virginia Association for Behavior Analysis (VABA) to prepare a press release when the number of licensed behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts reaches one thousand. Dr. Harp said that it was preferable that such a release come from the VABA rather than the Advisory Board. No action was necessary.

Announcements

Mr. Heaberlin informed the Advisory Board that there are currently 630 Behavior Analysts and 117 Assistant Behavior Analysts holding licenses issued by the Virginia Board of Medicine.

Next Meeting Date

The Advisory Board's next meeting is June 6, 2016 at 10:00 am.

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Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Keri Bethune, PhD, BCBA-D, Chair

William L. Harp, M.D.,
Executive Director

Bradley Verry, Licensing Specialist