

**KANSAS BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES REGULATORY BOARD
BEHAVIOR ANALYST ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AUGUST 15, 2025**

Approved Minutes

- I. Call to Order.** Linda Heitzman-Powell, Chair of the Advisory Committee, called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

Committee Members. Linda Heitzman-Powell, Denise Cyzman, Allyson Bell, Alec Bernstein, Kelley Harrison, Emily Kessler, Pamela Neidert, Pik Wah Lam-Chesnut, and Alice Zhang were present by Zoom. Wes Dotson and Stepanie Nikki Willey were absent.

BSRB Staff. David Fye attended the meeting by Zoom.

- II. Agenda Approval.** Denise Cyzman moved to approve the agenda. Emily Kessler seconded. The motion passed.

- III. Welcome New Advisory Committee Member.** The Advisory Committee welcomed new member Pik Wah Lam-Chesnut.

- IV. Expectations for Advisory Committee Members.** The Executive Director provided a brief summary of Advisory Committee expectations concerning the Kansas Open Meetings Act, the Kansas Open Records Act, attendance at meetings, and ways to prepare for meetings. It was noted that Advisory Committee members would receive a more robust training during the annual one-hour training for all Board members and Advisory Committee members.

- V. Approval of Minutes from the Advisory Committee Meeting on Friday, June 13, 2025.** Kelley Harrison moved to approve the minutes. Emily Kessler seconded. The motion passed.

- VI. Executive Director's Report.** David Fye, Executive Director for the BSRB, reported on agency operations, legislative updates, and recent Board meetings.

VII. Old Business

- A. Continued Recommendations on New Advisory Committee Members.** At the previous meeting, the Advisory Committee reviewed applicants for the Advisory Committee. Advisory Committee members recommended one new member, but due to time constraints wished to continue discussion on recommending a second new member at the August 2025 Advisory Committee meeting. Advisory Committee members recommended adding Holly Creamer to the Advisory Committee. However, if Ms. Creamer is no longer interested in being appointed to the Advisory Committee, the Advisory Committee noted they would be interested in recommending Danielle Parrot. The Executive Director noted he would provide the names to the Chair of the Board for consideration.

- B. Continued Review and Discussion on Draft Survey of Licensees.** At the previous Advisory Committee meeting, the Executive Director asked Advisory Committee members to review the summary and open-field answers at the August Advisory Committee meeting for two questions: (1) Question 15 on practice-related negative issues or areas where licenses appeared to need more training and (2) Question 17 on any negative issues observed by licensees in the area of supervision in the last 2 years. Advisory Committee members discussed their takeaways for both questions. Advisory Committee members discussed the role and work of case managers, which are not directly regulated by the BSRB. The Executive Director noted one of the benefits of the survey is collecting information on items the agency can work on, while sharing the results with other partners across the state to see if there can be additional improvements in other areas. Advisory Committee members discussed value in putting together a supervision manual. For the next meeting, the Executive Director asked Advisory Committee members to review questions 16 and 18 and be ready to discuss them.
- C. Continued Discussion on Regulation of Artificial Intelligence (AI).** The Executive Director provided an update on federal legislation. He noted that the federal appropriation bill which included language, in an early draft, that would have prohibited states from regulating artificial intelligence for 10 years, did not include that language in the final version of the bill that passed.

VIII. New Business

- A. Discussion on Alternate Pathways to Licensure.** Due to time constraints, this item was tabled for a future Advisory Committee meeting.
- IX. Next Meeting.** The next meeting will be on Friday, October 10, 2025, at 1pm over Zoom.
 - A. Annual Training for Board and Advisory Committee Members.** The Executive Director noted a change for the yearly training. Rather than hold the training at the next Advisory Committee meeting, he will send out four possible times for all Board and Advisory Committee members to attend a training session.
 - B. Review of Regulations.** The Executive Director provided copies of four regulations, noting BSRB staff had asked the Advisory Committee to review and make recommendations on changes to previous regulations, but wanted to provide notice that the agency planned to review these regulations at the next meeting.
- X. Adjournment.** Allyson Bell moved to adjourn the meeting. Pamela Neidert seconded. The meeting was adjourned.