

**BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES REGULATORY BOARD
BEHAVIOR ANALYST ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026
APPROVED Minutes**

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call.** 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, Holly Creamer, Kelley Harrison, Emily Kessler, Pamela Neidert, Pik Wah Lam-Chesnut, and Nikki Willey were present by Zoom. Wes Dotson and Alice Zhang were absent.
- BSRB Staff.** David Fye and Leslie Allen attended the meeting by Zoom.
- II. Agenda Approval.** Allyson Bell moved to approve the agenda. Nikki Willey seconded. The motion passed.
- III. Approval of Minutes from Advisory Committee Meeting on December 12, 2025.** Emily Kessler moved to approve the minutes from the Advisory Committee meeting on December 12, 2025. Denise Cyzman seconded. The motion passed.
- IV. Executive Director’s Report.** David Fye, Executive Director for the BSRB, reported on agency operations, legislative updates, and recent Board meetings.
- V. Old Business**
- A. Continued Review and Discussion on Survey of Licensees.** The Advisory Committee was thanked for their work on the survey and were asked to think about next steps based on the information gathered from survey responses.
 - B. Continued Discussion on the Regulation of Artificial Intelligence.** The Executive Director provided the Advisory Committee with documents on artificial intelligence in the field of behavior analysis. There was discussion regarding platforms that have artificial intelligence embedded within them, even if people may not be aware of it. There was discussion about possible recommendations to the Board, including giving clients the ability to opt-out of use of artificial intelligence in treatment. Advisory Committee members supported the position that, to the extent possible, if a client has an ability to opt out, they should be given that opportunity. The Advisory Committee discussed the importance of considering vulnerable populations. Another topic discussed was the importance of practicing inside one’s scope and not going outside of one’s scope with the assistance of artificial intelligence. The Advisory Committee will discuss this topic more at the next Advisory Committee meeting. The following have been the most popular recommendations across the Advisory Committees:
 - i.** If using artificial intelligence in practice, informed consent must notify clients that artificial intelligence is being used, as well as how it is being used.
 - ii.** If using artificial intelligence when providing care to clients, one must ensure confidentiality of information that is intended to be kept confidential.
 - iii.** If using artificial intelligence in practice, providers must provide clients with the ability to opt out.

C. Continued Review of Regulations

i. K.A.R. 102-8-6 Supervision. Advisory Committee members discussed the differences between what is required under supervision in the regulation compared to what is required for supervision by the Behavior Analyst Certification Board (BACB). Even though RBTs are not regulated by the BSRB, they are supervised by behavior analysts, so the Advisory Committee discussed potentially adding language to note this process. Advisory Committee members expressed support for licensees providing appropriate supervision to unlicensed technicians according to what is required by the BACB. The Executive Director explained the complexities if referencing standards of a third party that the BSRB has no control over. As an alternative, the Executive Director noted the committee could include similar language to what an association requires without deferring to a 3rd party entity. The Advisory Committee supported adding language stating that individuals should provide appropriate supervision to any individual(s) that they have supervisory authority over regarding direct client care. Some additional ideas will be brought to the next Advisory Committee meeting.

D. Discussion on Alternative Pathways to Licensure. Due to time constraints, this item was moved to the next Advisory Committee meeting.

VI. New Business

A. Discussion on Title Protection for Licensed Behavior Analysts. Some of the other professions regulated by the BSRB include in statute who can officially use what terminology and, for individuals who use the terminology wrongfully, that would be a violation. At the upcoming APBA conference, the Executive Director plans to ask representatives from other licensing boards how many states have title protection for behavior analysts in their laws.

B. Discussion on American Psychological Associations (APAs) Draft Model Practice Act. The APA's draft model practice act outlines best practices. In this model practice act, members of the Advisory Committee expressed concerns for master's level practitioners providing behavior analysis services. This is open for public comment until March 3, 2026. The Executive Director clarified that the practice act does not control what the BSRB will follow, but also that if members of the Advisory Committee wish to provide public comment as individuals, they are welcome to do so.

C. Discussion on Topics for 2026. Discussion topics of interest for 2026 included the human loop in artificial intelligence

VII. Next Meeting: Friday, April 10, 2026, at 1pm (remote meeting)

VIII. Adjournment. Allyson Bell moved to adjourn the meeting. Nikki Willey seconded. The motion passed.