Nevada Applied Behavior Analysis Board Purpose, Member requirements, and Bylaws

Article I: Name and Purpose

The name of this organization shall be the (Nevada?) Applied Behavior Analysis Board (Hereafter, the Board). The Board is an organization whose purposes are to regulate and promote the analytical science of behavior and the application of its associated technologies within the State of Nevada. Specifically, the organization will:

a) Serve as a scientific and professional reference group for all in the State of Nevada who identify themselves as practitioners in disciplines that embrace the principles and practices of behavior analysis.

b) Ensure ethical and competent behavior analysts, assistant behavior analysts, and behavior technicians conduct themselves with the highest degree of professional conduct.

c) Protect consumers of behavior analytic services in the State of Nevada.

d) Advise political, legislative, and policy-making bodies with respect to matters pertaining to behavior analysis in the State of Nevada.

e) Make, revise, and promulgate rules and regulations consistent with the provisions of NRS 437 governing its procedures for the examination and licensure, certification, or registration of applicants, and the granting, refusal, revocation or suspension of licenses, certificates or registrations.

f) Investigate allegations or practices potentially violating applicable laws and regulations in the State of Nevada concerning the practice of applied behavior analysis.

g) Identify and promote the use of effective and humane behavioral systems in meeting the educational and habilitative needs of all persons within the State of Nevada.

Article II: Membership

Board members are appointed to the Applied Behavior Analysis Board by the Govenor of the State of Nevada. The Board shall consist of five members. Board members will serve a term of 4 years and may not serve more than 2 consecutive terms.

o <u>Four Members</u> must hold a minimum of a master's degree in behavior analysis, psychology, or a related discipline, and are licensed behavior analysts in the State of Nevada. o<u>One Community Member</u> is a representative of the general public who is interested in the practice of applied behavior analysis. This member must not be a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst, an applicant or a former applicant for licensure as a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst, a member of a health profession, the spouse or the parent or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, of a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst, or a member of a household that includes a behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst.

Article III: Governance

The Board is guided by the Professional and Ethical Compliance Code set forth by the BACB (need to check for copyright here) and established education, training and practice standards for licensees and registrants in the State of Nevada.

• All Board Members have voting privileges. Board members are expected to make contributions during their tenure on the Board. These contributions (can?) include:

- Attendance at Board Meetings
- Suggestions or recommendations
- Hands-on-work of various kinds
- Informal opinions for discussion
- Formal votes about key decisions or policies depending on the situation.
- Contributions to annual strategic goals / priorities
- Contributions to By-Laws and Revisions
- Contributions to regulation, policy, and procedure documents, and approval of them

Elected Positions:

<u>President</u>- The President will be appointed by nomination of a Board Member and require a majority vote of Board Members to be appointed. The President must be a licensed behavior analysis. The President is elected to a (?)-year term. The President is responsible for:

- Ensuring the ABA Board maintains its legal and financial status in good condition
- Managing productivity of board meetings
- Coordinating Board meetings through the Aging and Disabilities Service Division staff
- Encouraging collaboration and communication
- Implementing strategic actions at the discretion of the Board.
- Providing timely, complete, and accurate reports and submissions to requesting State entities
- Updates to the Board, as needed, about changes in State policies and legislation that pertain to the field of behavior analysis
- Upon consensus of the Board, attend meetings of outside organizations in which the position of the Board has been requested or could be of use in that organization's decision-making.

<u>Treasurer</u>- The Treasurer will be appointed by nomination of a Board Member and require a majority vote of Board Members to be appointed. The Treasurer is elected to a (?)-year term. The Treasurer is responsible for:

- The financial record keeping of the ABA Board
- Managing the organization's financial affairs in consultation with the members of the Board and staff of the Aging and Disabilities Service Division.
- Notifications to Board about budget or other financial issues that require action/attention

Elections and Voting-??

Article V: Meetings

Rules and procedures for holding meetings. Follow open meeting laws. Posted.... Closed meetings for violations and applicant denial review... etc.

Article VI: Amendments

Amendments or changes to these bylaws may be suggested by any Board Member, and are implemented if endorsed by more than two-thirds of the all members voting at the Board Meeting. Proposed amendments or changes must be submitted in writing to the Board prior to the vote being conducted.