BEHAVIOR ANALYST COMMITTEE
Minutes
June 15, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Ms. Jesseca Hartman called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m. in Room W064 of the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, and virtually/electronically through Zoom and declared a quorum.

Committee Members Present:
Jesseca Hartman, BCBA, Chair
Dr. Jill Forte, Ph.D., BCBA, Vice Chair
Leila Allen, BCBA
Tomeika Anderson, D.O.

Committee Members Not Present:
Aaron Wells, RN, Consumer Member

State Officials Present:
Cindy Vaught, Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency
Dana Brooks, Assistant Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency
Bradley Repass, Litigation Specialist, Professional Licensing Agency
Adam Harvey, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended.

Forte/Allen
Motion carried 4-0-0

III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2026, meeting as amended.

Allen/Hartman
Motion carried 4-0-0

IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Ryan Gaughan (LABA)

Mr. Gaughan appeared with counsel, Greg Moser, as requested to discuss his response regarding her background. He provided a statement and court documents for the Committee to review. On the application, Applicant gave a positive response by checking "yes" to question 3 regarding arrests, pleadings, and convictions. Applicant appeared before the Committee to discuss his criminal history. Applicant is currently on criminal diversion due to a Pretrial Diversion Agreement. On or about January 29, 2026, Applicant entered into a Pretrial Diversion Agreement regarding pending criminal charges for Possession of Cocaine less than five (5) grams, a Level 1 Six (6) Felony, two charges of Possession of a Controlled

Substance, Class A Misdemeanors, and Possession of Marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Applicants are required to remain on Diversion for thirty (30) months from filing, pay a Pre-Trial Diversion Fee, maintain continual employment or pursuit of study or vocational programming, and not commit any further violations of law. Mr. Gaughan self-reported this action to the BCBA.

Committee Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Mr. Gaughan's application for licensure on Probation with the following terms and conditions:

A. The Applicant's license shall be on INDEFINITE PROBATION. The Applicant may not petition for withdraw of the probation until completion of the terms of Applicant's criminal diversion agreement.
B. Applicant shall keep the Committee informed of the following information and update it as necessary:
    I. Applicant's current home address, mailing address and residential telephone number;
    II. Applicant's place of employment, employment telephone number, and name of supervisor; and
    III. Applicant's occupation title and work schedule, including the number of hours worked per week.
C. The Applicant shall provide copies of this Committee Order signed by any employer within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of the Order. If Applicant secures different employment, Applicant shall provide a copy of the Committee Order signed by the new employer within fifteen (15) days of starting employment.
D. Applicant shall be subject to the following PRACTICE RESTRICTION: Applicant may not transport any client.
E. Applicant shall not violate any federal or state laws, rules, or regulations governing Applicant's practice.
F. The failure of Applicant to comply with the terms of this Order may subject Applicant to a Show Cause hearing and the imposition of further sanctions.

Anderson/Hartman

Hartman	Yeah
Forte	Yeah
Allen	Yeah
Anderson	Yeah

Motion carried 4-0-0

B. Megan Gildersleeve (LBA)

Ms. Gildersleeve appeared as requested to discuss her response regarding her background and dismissal. She provided a statement and court documents for the Committee to review. The action taken was dismissed and expunged. She was terminated from employment due to touching someone's shoulder. The facility had a non-contact policy.

Committee Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Ms. Gildersleeve's application for licensure.

Allen/Forte

Hartman	Yeah
Forte	Yeah
Allen	Yeah
Anderson	Yeah

Motion carried 4-0-0

C. Melissa Graham (LBA)

Ms. Graham appeared as requested to discuss her response regarding an investigation by the BACB. She provided a statement and copies of the BACB information. In September 2020, an ABA professional at a competing clinic made a false report against her to the BACB that I was fraudulently billing Medicaid for services and performing the services as an unqualified service provider. The BACB reviewed documentation that was provided for review and found all claims unsubstantiated. They indicated I did not have to report this incident to the BACB in the future or with any inquiries regarding issues with my certification.

Committee Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Ms. Graham's application for licensure.

Anderson/Allen

Hartman	Yeah
Forte	Yeah
Allen	Yeah
Anderson	Yeah

Motion carried 4-0-0

D. Jamie Hostetter (LBA)

Ms. Hostetter appeared as requested to discuss her response regarding a termination. She provided a statement and explained what occurred. She was terminated from Highlights Healthcare during the probationary period due to her experience not matching the needs of the company. Started with a new employer.

Committee Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Ms. Hostetter's application for licensure.

Allen/Hartman

Hartman	Yeah
Forte	Yeah
Allen	Yeah
Anderson	Yeah

Motion carried 4-0-0

E. Alexis Perdue (LBA)

Ms. Perdue appeared as requested to discuss her response regarding an OWI. She provided a statement and explained what occurred. In July of 2022, Ms. Perdue was involved in a car accident. Following the accident, officers conducted field sobriety tests and continued their investigation. I was later transported for further evaluation, including a blood test at the hospital. Resulted in a charge related to operating a vehicle while intoxicated. She has completed all requirements of the court.

Committee Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Ms. Perdue's application for licensure.

Hartman/Anderson

Hartman	Yeah
Forte	Yeah
Allen	Yeah
Anderson	Yeah

Motion carried 4-0-0

F. Sorah Stein (LBA)

Ms. Stein appeared with counsel, Patrick M. Callahan, as requested to discuss her application for licensure. Ms. Stein appeared before the Committee previously on April 13, 2026. Based upon review of her application and responses the Committee requested that the following documentation be submitted:

1. Fitness for Duty by an Indiana HSPP.
2. Letter or letters from Indiana-practicing BCBAs who are willing to provide face-to-face mentorship covering case summaries, noted concerns, and stress-management techniques on official letterhead.
3. Letters of support from the mentorship group covering attendance, participation, stress management techniques, and other topics on official letterhead.

The Committee did not feel that Ms. Stein had complied with their request. At this time Ms. Stein did not want to move forward with her application. Her application was tabled at this time.

V. APPLICATION REVIEW

A. Vanessa Ashton Kindy (LBA)

Ms. Kindy application was submitted to the Committee for further review. The Committee reviewed her file earlier and requested further information from Ms. Kindy's of her work history and/or resume since her business in the state of Florida had closed. They also requested information as to why she was pursuing licensure in the state of Indiana. Ms. Kindy responded that since the closure of her business she has provided services for agencies across a few states in order to support her family and gain experience with tele-medicine. In Indiana, she has worked with Blue ABA since August 2024 and is currently employed with Supportive Care ABA with a full caseload of Indiana clients.

Committee Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Ms. Kindy's application for licensure.

Allen/Hartman

Hartman	Yeah
Forte	Yeah
Allen	Yeah
Anderson	Yeah

Motion carried 4-0-0

VI. DISCUSSION

A. Attorney General's Report

Ryan Eldridge, DAG, provided the report to the Committee. There are currently 7 files in review and 4 closed files.

B. Administrator Report

Ms. Vaught provided a report to the Committee on the number of licenses issued and pending applications. She stated that application numbers will increase as we get closer to the deadline of July 1.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Indiana Behavior Analyst Committee adjourned at 11:48 a.m.