#### **IN-ABC**

# **Quarterly Meeting Minutes**

Nov 1, 2023

8:30am-11:30am

**INABC Conference – Muncie, IN** 

## **Review of Agenda – Jenn David (President)**

- 1. Welcome/Announcements
  - a. Next quarterly meeting will be January 19th, 2024 via Zoom
- 2. Committee Reports
  - a. Treasurer report Liz Wrighthouse See treasurer report sent out.
    Bank totals will not be final until after conference numbers have been given/finalized.
  - b. Secretary appx 630 members
  - c. Professional Credentialing Committee CJ Gallihugh No new RBC submissions. Please see website for more information on applying for RBC status
  - d. Ethics Committee Michael Robinson/Kayla Louks. No submissions.
  - e. Partners & Practice Committee Kayla Louks no update.
- 3. Board positions up for re-election:
  - a. President, Secretary, 2 Director at Large positions
  - b. Due to lack of nominations, we are taking nominations today to be added to future online poll to be completed by the end of November 2023 for 2024 board.

#### 4. INABC Awards

- a. Winners Charisse Smith (contribution to a person living their best life) and Jenna Conklin (Advocacy on behalf of a person's individual rights).
- 5. IPP grants chance for states to be innovative in providing services. In Indiana, asked all agencies what they thought. Over 40 projects were chosen. Funded and completed by March 2025. Pilot projects to try new and innovative ideas. These are just ideas and not put into practice from the state of Indiana.

- i. Kestral (Jim Wiltz) is discussing BMAN1 HSPP service. How can this service be improved for quality and build capacity for BC's across the state?
- ii. Abby Key consulting parent training. Something offered prior to waiver services to help parents manage behaviors in their own homes. (Not in attendance at conference)
- iii. ViaQuest/OPG redesign service delivery. If someone gets behavior consulting, assess, write BSP, train staff. What if a family just wants recommendations? Give people more flexibility for what they want from their behavior consultant. Offer tiered reimbursement methodology. 3rd part is to offer groups as an option, as opposed to each individual. Ex. Short term mini groups (5 or less people, a few sessions). House loses roommate and only needs a few sessions on grief. Large groups (6-10 people) lead by experience of peers. Charting the life course can be implemented in this process. 4th part is clinical training. BC's in Indiana don't 'speak the same language.' Present a recommendation to the state of a core curriculum that all BC's would accomplish before providing services. We have partnered with START services. We have budgeted for 50 BC's to participate in 1 of the tracks from START.

## 6. Liaison - Kelly Hartman -

- a. Waiver redesign is coming. Your input is highly valuable. Kelly cannot be the voice as the liaison. However, input from the IPP grants will be included.
- b. Proposing to move 2 areas (TBI will be moved DDRS as well as A&D for ages 0-59). The only thing that will remain with A&D waiver will be for those 60 and up in age.
- c. Employment focus will be added to BSS responsibilities in regards to assuring these conversations are happening. This will be in all service definitions. Early 2024 and implemented in 2024 as well.
- d. Self-direction planning an amendment in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter to focus on the person being in charge of how their waiver is conducted.

- e. Employment services will be proposed. Fall 2024
- f. Licensure for all BSS in Indiana This is being addressed within the IPP grants.
- g. Kelly's role 2 goals for INABC to advocate for the people we support to have their best life. The 2<sup>nd</sup> is for BSS to be part of that. Kelly is still employed with ViaQuest through 2024. She will continue as liaison with INABC and work on IPP grant. Kelly is still committed to the association and will continue.
- h. Kelly's suggestions
  - i. to add a stipend for board members with additional funds from association that were not used for licensure.
  - ii. Orientation for new members
- i. Who are we as BSS for INABC?
- i. Questions:
  - i. Rates Numbers in numbers out. Outside entity that reviewed financial numbers for the process. The same formula was used for each service. Leaders of agencies provided information to this process. How do we prove that we are worth more? Focus now – help people
  - ii. Guardianship issues are magnified. Kelly has been meeting with different groups to find out the mandate for guardianship. There is not great info on this unless through a lawyer.
    - 1. Care, safety, assets what does the person need the guardian to make decisions on?
    - 2. This program is voluntary. You (guardian) don't have to have a waiver. We (providers) must stay within guidelines.



## October 26, 2023 // Treasurer Report

### **Current Balance / Funds as of 10/26/23:**

Checking 1: \$ 4181.24 (Closed out 10/26/2023 but not yet deposited into Checking 2)

Checking 2: \$ 142,277.19 Savings 2: \$ 1,000.08

PayPal: \$ 24,816.09

**Total Funds:** \$ 172,274.60

#### **Membership Revenue:**

2023 = TBD 2019 = \$26,368 2015 = \$22,176 2011 = \$11,021 2007 = \$9,155

2021 = \$30,225 2017 = \$26,288 2013 = \$20,200 2009 = \$10,480

#### **Registered Members:**

2023: 628 2020: 457 2017: 383 2014: 310

2022: 585 2019: 424 2016: 375 2013: 314

2021: 550 2018: 432 2015: 337