

## NABA President

### **Candidate:**

Gwen Johnson

### **Candidate Bio**

Dr. Johnson began in the field in 1993 as an in-home tutor. She went on to complete her degree at The Ohio State University in 2008. Dr. Johnson started her own practice in 2007 and has remained committed to the science of ABA and the continued growth of our field. Dr. Johnson currently serves as CEO of Accelerated Learning Clinic and Accelerated Learning Academy an accredited private K-5 school serving children with Autism and other Developmental Disabilities. Dr. Johnson adjuncts at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas teaching ABA courses to bring a practitioner's perspective to academia. She spends her downtime with her sons, traveling and taking life as it comes.



### **What do you think the top priorities for NABA should be, moving forward into the next few years?**

Building relationships with the Insurance Commissioner and Legislators to ensure access to care. Continue the tradition of our single track conference and diverse range of invited speakers as well as outreach opportunities to our members. Maintain a strong and active board working on coordination the Nevada ABA Board, BACB and ABAI.

### **Why do you think you would make a good President of NABA?**

I have had the privilege to serve as NABA President before and have the desire to ensure that our Board continue to be active in serving our members as well as providing outreach into our communities both in Northern and Southern parts of the state. My goal is to balance the Board with propelling the basic science of ABA forward while also addressing concerns specific to ABA treatment in the insurance realm for direct care services.

### **Please detail your previous organizational leadership experience and your approach to leadership.**

I have served on several boards; including the NABA Board. I have also owned and led a private practice since 2007 which has grown from a staff of 3 to over 60. My leadership approach is one of collaboration and appreciation for all perspectives. I believe that respectful discourse ensures hearing multiple veiw points; allowing for balanced decision making. I would lead with solid management skills to ensure NABA continues to grow while allowing all members input to be valued and weighed in the initiatives and projects NABA moves forward on.

### **Please share anything else that you think it is important for the membership to know about you.**

I would like to be part of the change we wish to see in our field. Being a member of the NABA board allows me to continue to work towards maintaining our science and the integrity of our field.