



**Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities  
Meeting Minutes  
April 18, 2019  
1:00 p.m.  
2 Peachtree Street, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303**

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**Meeting Called By:** David Glass, Vice Chair

**Facilitator:** David Glass

**Note Taker:** Rayna Gibson (DBHDD)

**Members Present:** Jan Ligon, Jimmy Thomas, David Glass

**Members Teleconferencing:** Kenneth Holton, Ellice Martin

**Members Absent:** Jean Sumner, Kim Ryan

**DBHDD Leadership:** Jeff Minor, Deputy Commissioner  
Amy Howell, Assistant Commissioner/General Counsel  
David Sofferin, Director of Public Affairs

## Agenda

**Call to Order:** Vice Chair Glass; 1:03 p.m.

Vice Chair David Glass welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### Recovery Presentation

Neil Campbell of the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse introduced Jeff Breedlove to the members of the board. Jeff shared his story on his trials with overcoming addiction and substance abuse.

### Action Items

Two action items were approved:

1. Approval of the February 14, 2019, Board Meeting minutes: Vice Chair Glass asked for a motion to approve. Jan Ligon made the motion, which was seconded by Jimmy Thomas. The minutes were approved without additions or corrections.
2. Approval of the Bond Sale Resolution. Vice Chair Glass asked for a motion to approve. Jan Ligon made the motion, which was seconded by Jimmy Thomas Jimmy Thomas. The resolution was approved.

### Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Fitzgerald introduced member of her team to give updates:

**Doug Reineke** (director of legislative affairs) gave a brief update on the legislative session and the bills that were passed.

**Doug Engle** (chief information officer) introduced two presentations that demonstrate how DBHDD is using technology to improve services:

- **Dana Scott and Karen Cawthorn** (Office of Health and Wellness) gave an update on the online application that is geared toward tracking and monitoring the timely and comprehensive resolution of events for high-risk individuals with developmental disabilities who receive waiver services.
- **Karen Bailey, Ph.D., and Christina Waggoner, MA**, (Office of Forensic Services) gave an update on Forensic Evaluation Logistix (FELIX), a web-based tool used to document and manage court-ordered competency evaluations and the assignment of the evaluations. The FELIX application facilitates collaborative and timely management of competency evaluations.

**Jason Henle, Psy.D.**, (forensic director at East Central Regional Hospital) gave an overview of Project GREAT, an award-winning program that teaches and reinforces recovery-based care for staff who provide work and services in the state hospital.

### **Vice Chair's Report**

Vice Chair David Glass gave brief remarks and commended the agency for its great work.

### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment offered.

### **Adjournment**

There was no further business. Vice Chair Glass asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made Jimmy Thomas and was seconded by Jan Ligon. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

### **Special Notes**

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities will be held on **Thursday, June 18, 2019**.

The meeting will be held at 2 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, in the 24<sup>th</sup> floor Boardroom.

**Respectfully submitted by:**  
Rayna Gibson, recording secretary

### **Signatures:**

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Vice Chair

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Secretary