

Georgia Department of Behavioral Health &
Developmental Disabilities

Kevin Tanner, Commissioner

DBHDD

Office of the Commissioner

Board of Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities

Thursday, August 31st, 2023 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

200 Piedmont Avenue, S.E.

West Tower, 5th Floor, Board Room 512

Atlanta, GA 30334

This meeting was conducted in person and via WebEx for the public and Board Members.

Meeting Called By:

David Glass, Chairman

Recording Secretary: Manager

Chelsee Nabritt, Community Outreach

Board Members

- **In-person Conferencing:**

Bubber Epps, and Deb Bailey

- **Virtual Conferencing:**

David Glass, Ellice Martin, Ed.D., Lasa Joiner,
Jean Sumner, M.D. and Jimmy Thomas

- **Telephone:**

Jan Ligon, Ph.D.

DBHDD Leadership:

Kevin Tanner, Commissioner
Brandon Kenney, Assistant Commissioner
Ashley Fielding, Assistant Commissioner
Brenda King Woodard, General Counsel

Agenda

Call to Order: Chairman David Glass; 1:00 p.m.

Chairman David Glass welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked Chelsee Nabritt to conduct the roll call.

Recovery Presentation

Chairman David Glass opened the meeting by recognizing Brian Kite, Georgia Council for Recovery to introduce the guest speaker and DBHDD Employee Jeff Breedlove. Mr.

Breedlove shared his journey of recovery and resilience and spoke briefly about his transition period from the Georgia Council for Recovery to the board members.

Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner Tanner opened his report by inviting Assistant Commissioner of Operations, Brandon Kenney to the podium to introduce the Alvarez and Marsal team and the Deloitte team. Members from both organizations presented the following to the Board:

Brandon Kenney, Assistant Commissioner of Operations, introduced Daniel Harlan with Alvarez and Marsal to present the Bed Study.

Brandon Kenney, Assistant Commissioner of Operations, introduced Lauren Powalisz with Deloitte to present the Workforce Study.

Commissioner Tanner closed his report by giving recognition to the Alvarez and Marsal and Deloitte staff and thanked them for sharing their findings and what we can do with that information as an organization.

Action Items

1. Board Meeting Minutes – June 29th, 2023: Chairman David Glass asked for a motion to approve. Jimmy Thomas made the motion, which was seconded by Ellice Martin, Ed.D. The motion was passed unanimously.
2. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2024 Proposed Amended Budget was presented to the Board by Commissioner Kevin Tanner. Commissioner Tanner explained his goals for the proposed budget and explained to the Board how he plans to utilize the budget to make improvements within the agency. Chairman David Glass asked for a motion to approve Fiscal Year 2024 Proposed Amended Budget. Jimmy Thomas made the motion, which was seconded by Bubber Epps. The motion was passed unanimously.
3. Consideration of Fiscal Year 2025 Proposed Budget was presented to the Board by Commissioner Kevin Tanner. Commissioner Tanner explained his goals for the proposed budget and showed the Board how he plans to utilize the budget to make improvements within the agency. Chairman David Glass asked for a motion to approve Fiscal Year 2025 Proposed Budget. Lasa Joiner made the motion, which was seconded by Ellice Martin, Ed.D. The motion was passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

Chairman David Glass thanked Commissioner Tanner and the entire team for sharing information about the direction of the agency. Chairman Glass thanked the Deloitte and Alvarez & Marsal staff for shedding light on the studies they completed. Board member Lasa Joiner mentioned that she is very excited for the future of the agency and thanked everyone for presenting to them.

Public Comment

There were 3 comments from the public at this meeting.

Adjournment

There was no further business for the day and Chairman David Glass asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Jean Sumner, M.D., and was seconded by Bubber Epps. The meeting was adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

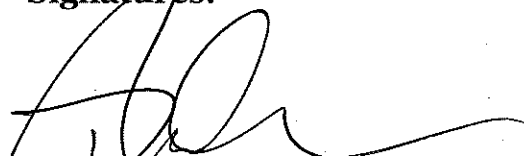
Special Notes

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities will be held on **Thursday, October 12th, 2023.**


Respectfully submitted by:

Chelsee Nabritt, recording secretary

Signatures:



Chairman



Secretary