



Georgia Department of Behavioral Health &
Developmental Disabilities

Kevin Tanner, Commissioner

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Office of the Commissioner

**Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
Meeting Minutes
December 16, 2022
10:00 a.m.**

*This meeting was conducted via WebEx with video connection for Board Members.
There was no in-person attendance at the Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities.*

Meeting Called By: David Glass, Chair

Recording Secretary: Courtney Gay (DBHDD)

Board Members

- **Virtual Conferencing:** David Glass, Ellice Martin, Ed.D., Lasa Joiner, Jimmy Thomas, Scott Hilton, and Jean Sumner, M.D.
- **Absent:** Jan Ligon, Ph.D., and Amanda Owens

DBHDD Leadership: Kevin Tanner, Commissioner
Jeff Minor, Deputy Commissioner/COO
Ashley Fielding, Assistant Commissioner
Brenda King Woodard, General Counsel

Agenda

Call to Order: Chair David Glass; 10:05 a.m.

Chair David Glass welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked David Sofferin to conduct the roll call.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Tanner acknowledged his appreciation and opportunity as Commissioner for DBHDD.

Ron Wakefield, *director of Division of Developmental Disabilities*, provided an IDD update on provider rates and provider rate study.

Commissioner Tanner closed his report giving thanks to Interim Commissioner Monica Johnson and her service to the agency. He wished her success as she transitions from the DBHDD agency.

Action Items

Five action items were approved:

1. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2022: Chair David Glass asked for a motion to approve. Lasa Joiner made the motion, which was seconded by Jean Sumner, M.D. The motion was passed unanimously.
2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes – November 16, 2022: Chair David Glass asked for a motion to approve. Lasa Joiner made the motion, which was seconded by Jean Sumner, M.D. The motion was passed unanimously.
3. Approval of Proposed 2023 DBHDD Board Meeting Dates: Chair David Glass asked for a motion to approve. Ellice Martin, Ed.D. made the motion, which was seconded by Jean Sumner, M.D. The motion was passed unanimously.
4. Approval of Appointment of Commissioner for the Department: Chair David Glass asked for a motion to approve. Lasa Joiner made the motion, which was seconded by Scott Hilton. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
5. Administer Oath of Office to Commissioner: Chair Glass administered The Oath of Office to Commissioner and the Loyalty Oath to Commissioner Kevin Tanner.

Chair's Report

Chair David Glass gave brief remarks, commended the agency for its great work, and welcomed Commissioner Tanner to the agency. Chair Glass gave recognition of retiring Board member Scott Hilton who is leaving the board effective December 16, 2022.

Public Comment

Public comment was given by Diane Wilush and DeAnna Julian.

Adjournment

There was no further business. Chair David Glass asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Jimmy Thomas and was seconded by Ellice Martin, Ed.D. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Special Notes

The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities will be held on **Thursday, February 9, 2023**.

**Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all Board meetings will be held virtually until further notice. Otherwise, Board meetings are held at 2 Peachtree Street, 24th Floor, Board Room, Atlanta, GA from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.*

Respectfully submitted by:

Courtney Gay, recording secretary

Signatures:



Chair



Secretary