



Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2017
1:00 p.m.
2 Peachtree Street, 24th Floor Boardroom
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Meeting Called By: Kim Ryan, Chair

Facilitator: Kim Ryan

Note Taker: Rayna Gibson (DBHDD)

Members Present: David Glass, Jan Ligon, Ellice Martin

Members Teleconferencing: Kenneth Holton

Members Absent: Kim Carroll-Hawkins, Johnny Grant, Jimmy Thomas, Jean Sumner

DBHDD Leadership: Judy Fitzgerald, Commissioner
Jeff Minor, Deputy Commissioner
Amy Howell, Assistant Commissioner/General Counsel
Lavin Gartland Briggs, Special Projects Director/Board Liaison
Angelyn Dionysatos, Press Secretary
Ron Wakefield, Director of Developmental Disabilities
Melissa Sperbeck, Director, Division of Performance Management & Quality Improvement
Terri Timberlake, Director, Adult Mental Health

Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
Judy Fitzgerald, Commissioner

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Agenda

Call to Order: Kim Ryan; 1:01 p.m.

Chair Ryan welcomed everyone to the meeting, and recognized the members participating via teleconference.

Recovery Presentation

Chair Ryan recognized Neil Campbell, Executive Director of the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse, who then introduced **Laurisa Barthen**, a current employee of Georgia Council on Substance, to the members of the Board. Ms. Barthen shared how she was successfully using her recovery experience to help others.

Action Items

One action item was approved:

1. Approval of the February 20, 2017 Board Meeting minutes: **Chair Ryan** made a motion to approve, which was seconded by **David Glass**. The minutes were unanimously approved without additions or corrections.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Fitzgerald introduced new staff members Sasha Williams, Ruth Rogers, and Rayna Gibson. Commissioner then introduced the following team members to give updates:

- Amy Howell, Assistant Commissioner, gave an update about legislation awaiting Governor Deal's signature as well as that being carried over to 2018. A few bills of note included HB 206, the Pharmacy Audit Bill; HB 231, which updates dangerous drugs and classifies fentanyl as a Schedule I drug; and HB 249, the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) bill. Legislation being carried over to 2018 includes SB 4, the Mental Health Task Force bill; SB 40, which relates to EMS First Responder Involuntary Apprehend and Transport; and SB 99, Restoration of Patient Gun Rights.
- Ron Wakefield, Director of the Division of Developmental Disabilities, spoke about the significant changes that were made to the COMP waiver.
- Jeff Minor, Deputy Commissioner, gave an update on the amended FY 2017 budget and FY 2018 budget adjustments. He spoke about statewide adjustments, as well as DBHDD budget changes related to developmental disabilities and adult mental health.

- Commissioner Fitzgerald spoke briefly about stabilizing the safety net and introduced Melissa Sperbeck, Director of the Division of Performance Management and Quality Improvement, to speak on the CSB financial risk assessment and give an overview of interventions.

Commissioner Fitzgerald concluded her report with brief remarks.

Chair's Report

Chair Ryan stated that she had nothing to report at this time.

Public Comment

There was no public comment offered.

Adjournment

There was no further business. Chair Ryan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by **David Glass** and was seconded by **Ellice Martin**. The meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

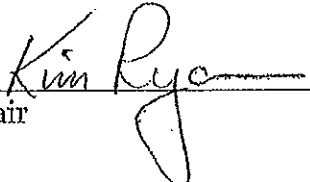
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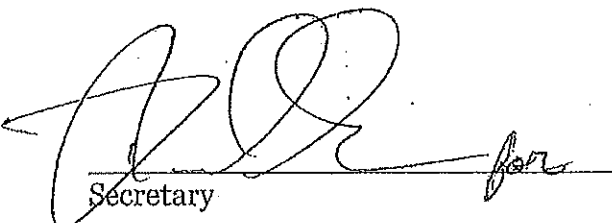
The next scheduled meeting of the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities will be held on **Thursday, June 15, 2017**. The meeting will be held at 2 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, in the 24th floor Boardroom.

Respectfully submitted by:

Rayna Gibson, recording secretary

Signatures:


Chair 6/15/17


Secretary