



**Behavioral Health Coordinating Council  
Meeting Minutes**

**December 14, 2016  
10:00 a.m.  
Board Room 24.260**

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**Meeting Called by:** Commissioner Judy Fitzgerald (DBHDD); 10:05 a.m.

**Facilitator:** Commissioner Judy Fitzgerald

**Members Present:** Commissioner Frank Berry (DCH)  
Senator Renee Unterman (District 45)  
Representative Katie Dempsey (District 13)  
Commissioner Brenda Fitzgerald, M.D. (DPH)  
Stanley Jones, Esq. (Family Representative)  
Disability Services Ombudsman Lavinia Luca (ODSO)

**Tele-Conferencing:** Chairman Terry Barnard (PAP)  
Gregory Dozier (DOC)  
Julie Spores Adult (Consumer Representative)  
Diane Reeder, Parent Representative

**Members Absent:** Commissioner Michael Nail (DCS)  
Commissioner Avery Niles (DJJ)  
Commissioner Camila Knowles (DCA)  
Commissioner Mark Butler (DOL)  
Superintendent Richard Woods (DOE)  
Commissioner Robin Crittenden (DHS)

**DBHDD Leadership:** Jeff Minor, Chief Operating Officer

**Agenda**

**Call to Order:** Commissioner Fitzgerald called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

**Recovery Presentation**

Sheila Corn, outreach coordinator for the RESPECT Institute, introduced guest speaker Stephanie Ball. Ball is a recent graduate of the RESPECT Institute. She endured much strife

in her early years. Now, she lives a life of recovery and credits the RESPECT Institute, family, and other programs that continue to help achieve her goals.

### **Action Items**

#### *Approval of June 22, 2016 Meeting Minutes*

Commissioner J. Fitzgerald requested a motion to approve the June 22, 2016 BHCC meeting minutes. Commissioner B. Fitzgerald made the motion to approve, and Commissioner Berry seconded. The June 22, 2016 meeting minutes were approved.

#### *Nomination of Frank Berry for BHCC Vice Chair*

Commissioner J. Fitzgerald called for nominations for the BHCC vice chair position. Lavinia Luca nominated Commissioner Frank Berry. Commissioner J. Fitzgerald requested a motion to accept the nomination. Lavinia Luca made the motion to approve, and Stanley Jones seconded. Commissioner Frank Berry was elected to serve as the BHCC vice chair.

#### *Nomination for BHCC Member-at-Large*

Commissioner J. Fitzgerald called for nominations for the BHCC vacant member-at-large position. Commissioner Frank Berry nominated Commissioner Robyn Crittenden. Commissioner J. Fitzgerald requested a motion to accept Robyn Crittenden for the BHCC member-at-large position. Commissioner Frank Berry made the motion to approve, and Commissioner B. Fitzgerald seconded. Commissioner Robyn Crittenden was elected to serve as the BHCC member-at-large.

#### *Approval of BHCC 2017 meeting calendar*

Commissioner J. Fitzgerald requested a motion to approve the 2017 BHCC meeting calendar. Commissioner Berry made the motion to approve, and Stanley Jones seconded. Jones suggested that the first BHCC meeting be held at the capitol. The 2017 BHCC meeting calendar was unanimously approved.

#### *Approval of BHCC Executive Committee 2017 meeting calendar.*

Commissioner J. Fitzgerald requested a motion to approve the 2017 BHCC Executive Committee meeting calendar. Commissioner Berry made the motion to approve, Commissioner B. Fitzgerald seconded. The 2017 BHCC Executive Committee meeting calendar was unanimously approved.

#### *Approval of the Interagency Directors Team's (IDT) Georgia System of Care State Plan.*

Commissioner J. Fitzgerald requested a motion to approve IDT's Georgia System of Care State Plan. Commissioner Berry made the motion to approve, Commissioner B. Fitzgerald seconded. The IDT's Georgia System of Care State Plan was unanimously approved.

#### *Approval of the Brain Trust for Babies to present a plan at the next council.*

Commissioner J. Fitzgerald requested a motion to approve Brain Trust for Babies to present at the next BHCC meeting. Commissioner Judy Fitzgerald requested a motion to approve Brain Trust for Babies to present at the next BHCC meeting. Commissioner Berry made the motion to approve, and Commissioner B. Fitzgerald seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

## BHCC Initiatives

Linda McCall presented the Interagency Directors Team's Georgia System of Care State Plan to the council for approval.

Power Point presentation available at <http://dbhdd.georgia.gov/bhcc-past-meetings-archives>

## BHCC Update

Senator Renee Unterman and Representative Katie Dempsey provided a legislative update.

## DBHDD Presentation

Wendy Tiegreen, DBHDD's director of Office of Medicaid Coordination & Health System Innovation, presented an overview entitled, *Closing the Coverage Gap*, which responded to information requested by the Georgia Chamber of Commerce for a Task Force.

Power Point presentation available at <http://dbhdd.georgia.gov/bhcc-past-meetings-archives>

## Commissioner's Report

Commissioner J. Fitzgerald reminded the council that the BHCC would be submitting its annual report to the General Assembly during the upcoming legislative session. Said they will receive a draft of the report for their review prior to the next council meeting. She also thanked the council members for their continued comment and support.


## Adjournment


There was no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

### Respectfully submitted by:

Tracy Gamble, Council and Executive Committee Liaison

### Signatures:

  
Chair

  
Secretary