



**Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
Meeting Summary
June 15, 2017
1:00 p.m.
2 Peachtree Street, 24th Floor Boardroom
Atlanta, Georgia 30303**

Chair Kim Ryan called the meeting to order. Board members David Glass, Kenneth Holton, and Jimmy Thomas attended the meeting in person. Board member Johnny Grant joined via tele-conference.

Chair Ryan opened the meeting by introducing Ms. Sheila Corn who then introduced Angela Steward a Peer Specialist with the Respect Institute who currently works for the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse. She briefly shared her story on addiction and the different ways she was able to overcome it.

Two action items were approved:

1. The April 20th Board Meeting Minutes
2. Resolution: Bond Sales

Commissioner Fitzgerald gave a brief update on important topics to come at the upcoming Board meetings, i.e.: Opioid Use and Strategies in Georgia, Youth Suicide, Autism Services, and Child and Adolescent Mental Health. Commissioner then introduced Catherine Ivy who presented on the NOW Waiver, and Monica Johnson alongside Dr. Li presented on Hospital to Community Partnership.

Chair Ryan reported on the upcoming Board Elections that will take place August 17, 2017.

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned.