

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COORDINATING COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

May 16, 2018

10:00 a.m.

2 Peachtree St, NW,
24th Floor Board Room
Atlanta, GA 30303

Commissioner Judy Fitzgerald, BHCC Chair (DBHDD) called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Facilitator: Commissioner Judy Fitzgerald (DBHDD)

Members Present:

Commissioner Judy Fitzgerald (DBHDD)
Commissioner Gregory Dozier (DOC)
Stanley Jones, Esq. (Family Representative)

Commissioner J. Patrick O’Neal, MD (DPH)
Superintendent Richard Woods (DOE)
Disability Services Ombudsman Lavinia Luca (ODSO)

Tele-Conferencing:

Commissioner Frank Berry (DCH)
Representative Katie Dempsey (District 13)
Commissioner Avery Niles (DJJ)
Chairman James Mills (PAP)

Senator Renee Unterman (District 45)
Commissioner Michael Nail (DCS)
Commissioner Robin Crittenden (DHS)

Members Absent:

Diane Reeder, Parent Representative
Commissioner Mark Butler (DOL)

Commissioner Christopher Nunn (DCA)
Julie Spores Adult (Consumer Representative)

DBHDD Leadership:

Amy Howell, Assistant Commissioner

Jeff Minor, Deputy Commissioner

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Commissioner Fitzgerald began the meeting by asking council members to introduce themselves and thanked them for their time and attendance. Fitzgerald introduced Laurisa Barthen of the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse who introduced Jody Dotson, guest speaker. Jody shared his journey in long-term recovery and wellness.

Updates were given on the Interagency Directors Team “Georgia System of Care” (Dante McKay, DBHDD); Transition Support and Recovery (Terri Timberlake, DBHDD); and a brief overview on DBHDD’s Decade of Transformation (Judy Fitzgerald, DBHDD).

The following BHCC action items were approved.

1. BHCC November 15, 2017 meeting minutes
2. BHCC 2017 Annual Report
3. The Interagency Director’s Team MOU

There was no further business.

The May 16, 2018 Behavioral Health Coordinating Council meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m.