

Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Meeting Summary August 26, 2021

1:00 p.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.

Chair David Glass called the meeting to order. Board members David Glass, Ellice Martin, Jimmy Thomas, Justine Welsh, Jean Sumner, Amanda Owens, Lasa Joiner, and Scott Hilton joined by WebEx. Jan Ligon did not attend the meeting.

Chair David Glass opened the meeting by recognizing Jeff Breedlove of the Georgia Council on Substance Abuse. Mr. Breedlove gave words of encouragement and expressed accolades to the DBHDD agency and the DBHDD Board members for their services.

There were three action items on the agenda that were approved:

- 1. June 10, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Approval of the Amended FY2022 Budget and Approval of the FY2023 Budget

Chair Glass asked our new Board member, Scott Hilton, to introduce himself.

Commissioner Fitzgerald welcomed new Board member, Scott Hilton, and provided brief updates regarding the DBHDD hospitals and agency status.

Commissioner Fitzgerald introduced Jeff Minor, *Deputy Commissioner*, who provided a budget overview of the Amended FY2022 budget and the FY2023 budget. He also spoke on the agency challenges and opportunities.

Commissioner Fitzgerald closed her report informing the board of the continuous efforts and hard work of the DBHDD staff.

David Glass provided brief remarks, commended the agency for its great work, support, and continuous efforts.

Public comment was given.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:46 pm.