

MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
HELD  
FEBRUARY 21, 2011

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Donald E. Cole  
W. Gregory Haynes  
Justin Neal  
Sandra A. Morris

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mary Burns  
Susan Radovich

Donald Cole, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:05pm in the absence of Mary Burns, Chair. Mr. Cole announced that Dr. Burns had submitted her letter of resignation from the Board due to her hectic medical practice. Due to the resignation of the Board Chair, Mr. Cole noted that the Bylaws of the Board require the election of a new Chair. A Motion was made by Justin Neal and seconded by Deirdre O'Brien to elect Donald Cole as the new Chair of the Board. The Motion was unanimously approved. Because Mr. Cole was Vice Chair of the Board, a Vice Chair must be elected.

A Motion was made by Deirdre O'Brien and seconded by Sandra Morris to elect Justin Neal as Vice Chair of the Board. The Motion was unanimously approved.

#### MINUTES OF MEETING

A Motion was made by W. Gregory Haynes to approve the Minutes of the Board meeting on December 6, 2010. The Motion was seconded by Deirdre O'Brien and Minutes were approved without additions or corrections.

#### BOARD RESOLUTION TO MARY BURNS, M.D.

Sandra Morris read a Resolution on behalf of the Board to express its appreciation to Dr. Burns for her dedicated service to the state of Georgia and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities. The original Resolution will be forwarded to Dr. Burns and a copy retained and made a permanent part of the Board records.

#### APPROVAL OF BOARD RESOLUTION/EASEMENT – CHS

Justin Neal made a Motion to approve the State Properties Commission to take the necessary steps to effectuate the granting of a permanent easement on the property located at Central State Hospital to the City of Milledgeville and the conveyance of the utility to the City of Milledgeville. The Resolution was read in its entirety as a Motion. The Motion was seconded by Deirdre O'Brien and unanimously approved.

## PROMULGATION OF DBHDD RULES AND REGULATIONS

Edward Brashier, Legal Services, requested that the Board approve and adopt the proposed rules and regulations governing the organization and administration of the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Chapter 82-1-1 and 82-1-2, as presented to the Board at the December 6, 2010 meeting. A Motion was made by W. Gregory Haynes and seconded by Deirdre O'Brien to approve the proposed rules. The Motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

Mr. Brashier reported that on December 6, 2010, DBHDD's office of Legal Services issued public notice of a public hearing on the proposed rule change, Chapter 82-1-1 and Chapter 82-1-2, with the hearing set for January 6, 2011. The notice announced that both written and oral comments received 30 days from the date of the issuance of notice would be considered. Mr. Brashier also reported that addictive diseases program would also be included in the rule change.

Georgia Legal Services Program submitted written comments regarding file of the proposed rules and regulations found in the proposed Rules and Regulations for Administrative Rules of Procedure, Chapter 82-1-2. These changes suggested by GLSP resulted in a minor amendment to the language of proposed Rule 82-1-2.11. The remaining four comments submitted by GLSP have been considered and deemed unnecessary as they restate federal and/or state laws. Therefore, these comments were not incorporated into the proposed rules and regulations. A Motion was made by W. Gregory Haynes and seconded by Justin Neal to approve the proposed rule change. The Motion was unanimously approved by the Board.

## DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES UPDATE

Beverly Rollins, Executive Director, Developmental Disabilities reported that the cost study initial survey was completed and will be presented to providers and members of the DD waiver advisory members. The meeting will be held in Region 3 and Burns & Associates will be presenting the draft findings and proposed rates.

The first group of mobile crisis teams will be in place to begin training on May 1. The providers are GCSS, Riveredge and Pathways CSB.

The crisis services RFP was issued and all responses are due by March 11.

Georgia received a 5 year accreditation from the Association of Direct Support Professional for Georgia. DSP training developed and offered in 10 technicals. Ms. Rollins thanks the department's collaboration with the DD Council and Collective Alternative LTD.

#### COMMITTEE ON DD WAIVERS AND SERVICES

Mr. Cole reported that the DD Waivers Committee met and the state is awaiting program changes with computer system to reimburse for pay authorization. He also reported that a subcommittee on mental health has been formed and will be chaired by Deirdre O'Brien. Ms. O'Brien asked members of the new committee to stand.

#### UPDATE – PHYSICIAN CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Dr. Frank Shelp, Commissioner, reported that the Physician Credentials Committee has approved twenty-seven (27) applications pending from the December 6, 2010 Board meeting. He also reported that eleven (11) applications are now pending approval and will be reported at the April's Board meeting.

#### COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Shelp announced that Dr. Donald Manning is no longer with the Department of Behavioral Health as the medical director. He has since returned to the Medical College of Georgia and the department is actively recruiting for the replacement of the medical director. He reported that Pierluigi Mancini, Executive Director of CETPA, is assisting the department in interviewing candidates and the department hopes to hire a qualified individual soon.

Commissioner Shelp reported that the Amended FY11 budget has been reviewed by the House and Senate. The Amended FY11 and FY12 has been presented to the House and Senate Appropriations and the FY12 was presented

today to the House Subcommittee. Commissioner Shelp asked Consuelo Campbell, Director of External Affairs, to give an update on the Department's three legislative bills. Ms. Campbell reported that all three bills have sponsors. The *TIC bill* is under legal review by the Governor's Office, the *Forensic bill* is being fine tuned by Representative Andy Welch and the *CSU bill* has been filed with the clerk, assigned a bill number and is ready for introduction.

Commissioner Shelp reported that an aggressive community plan is in place in Region 1. This plan consists of three ACT and stabilization teams and intensive case management. He expects future use of the Rome Hospital property. He also reported that he attended a videoconference with ANKA and six of the ten ACT teams have been awarded to them. Commissioner Shelp also stated that he feels all measures of the DOJ settlement agreement will be met by June 1.

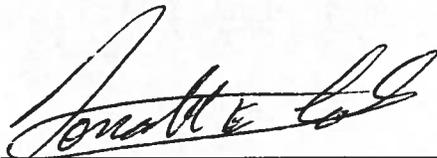
#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

One physician appeared before the Board with a personnel issue.

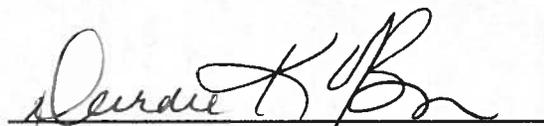
A Motion to adjourn was made by Justin Neal and seconded by Deirdre O'Brien Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

#### THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities is scheduled for April 18, 2011.



Donald Cole, Chair



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Deirdre O'Brien, Secretary