



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 2021 – 10:00AM
VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**



| MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance | | | |
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| X | Chair – President Judge Joe Bishop, Aspire | X | Gateway – Dr. Mark Johnson |
| X | Vice Chair – Kent Woerner, Avita | X | Haralson (Non-voting) – Jamie Brown |
| X | Advantage – Tammy Conlin | X | Highland Rivers – Melanie Dallas |
| X | Advantage – David Kidd | | Highland Rivers – Pending |
| X | Aspire – Dana Glass | X | Legacy BHS – Pam Cartwright |
| X | Avita – Cindy Levi | | Legacy BHS – Connie Graham |
| X | Cobb – Melanie Dallas | | Lookout Mountain – Dr. Tom Ford |
| | Cobb – Dr. Carol Holtz | | Lookout Mountain – Judge J. McCormick |
| X | Clayton–Dr. Lee Adams | X | McIntosh Trail – Kenyatta Walker |
| X | Clayton – Khadijah Works | X | McIntosh Trail – Sandra Haisten |
| X | CSB Middle GA – Denise Forbes | X | Middle Flint – Angela S. Holt |
| | CSB Middle GA – Judi Davis | | Middle Flint – Dr. David Haigler |
| X | DeKalb – Fabio van der Merwe | X | New Horizons – Andrea Winston |
| X | DeKalb – Alecea Quintyne | | New Horizons – David Ranieri |
| | Douglas – Monraye Lightford | X | Oconee – Tyrone Evans |
| | Douglas - Pending | | Oconee – Emily Davis |
| | Fulton – LaTrina Foster | | Pathways – Jade Benefield |
| X | GA Pines – RJ Hurn | | Pathways – Pending |
| | GA Pines – Larry Nichols | X | Pineland – June DiPolito |
| | | | Pineland – Armenda Barnes |
| | | | River Edge – Dr. Shannon Terrell Gordon |
| | | | River Edge – Ray Bennett |
| | | X | Serenity BHS – Charles Williamson |
| | | | Serenity BHS - Pending |
| | | X | Unison BH – Dr. Glyn Thomas |
| | | X | Unison BH – Lowell Williamson |
| | | X | Viewpoint Health – Jennifer Hibbard |
| | | | Viewpoint Health – Bernie Marinelli |
| | | X | Capitol Strategy Group – Travis Lindley |
| | | X | Capitol Strategy Group – Devin Krecl |
| | | X | Capitol Strategy Group – Cathalene Teahan |
| | | X | GACSB – Mike Scribner |
| | | X | GACSB – Robyn Garrett |
| | | X | GACSB – Jesse Hambrick |
| | | X | GACSB – Cameron Vickers |
| | | X | GACSB – Lyly Trinh |
| GUESTS: Advantage - Judge David Sweat, Advantage - Katie McFarland, Fulton - Erika Williams Walker | | | |
| DISTRIBUTION: GACSB Board Agenda 04/14/21, GACSB Board Meeting Minutes 03/10/21, Financial Report 04-2021, Admin Ops Comm. Minutes 03/25/21, Clinical Ops Comm. Minutes 04/01/21, Clinical Ops Comm. 04012021 PowerPoint, Data Analytics Comm Report 04-2021, Executive Directors Report 04-2021, Advantage's Co-Responder Initiative PowerPoint | | | |
| I. WELCOME | Judge Joe Bishop, President, called the regular meeting to order at 10:02am. The preamble and GACSB Values Statement were read aloud. | | |
| II. APPROVE AGENDA | A motion to pass the 04/14/2021 agenda was made by R.J. Hurn. Motion was seconded by Alecea Quintyne and carried without opposition. | | |
| III. APPROVE MINUTES | A motion to pass the 03/10/2021 minutes was made by Cindy Levi. Motion was seconded by Angela Holt and carried without opposition. | | |
| X. SPECIAL PRESENTATION: "CO-RESPONDER INITIATIVE" | Tammy Conlin introduced Judge David Sweat who then provided a few words on the efforts being made within the area. Katie McFarland, Advantage employee and currently participating in a co-responder program in the Athens, GA area, gave an overview of their program via PowerPoint. Members were offered the opportunity to receive a more detailed session should they choose. Noted approximately 8 other CSBs have a similar co-responder partnership in place. Cindy Levi, Dr. Mark Johnson, Melanie Dallas (Cobb), Fabio van der Merwe, Dr. Lee Adams spoke briefly on their existing local partnerships or current steps to implement a co-responder program. Judge Sweat and Katie were invited to join the group once again on the Weekly CEO Touchpoint Call, April 22 at 3:00pm, for additional discussions. | | |
| XI. FINANCIAL REPORT | Chuck Williamson, Treasurer, provided the April Financial Report. A motion to accept the report was made by David Kidd. Motion seconded by Alecea Quintyne and carried without dissent. | | |
| XII. GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPDATE | Devin Krecl reminded members the session wrapped up approximately two-weeks ago. The Legislature is expecting to hold a special session in October/November timeframe for the purpose of re-districting. Bill review by the Governor's office is underway through May 10. The telehealth/telepsychiatry modernization legislation is expecting the Governor's signature in the near future. The Prior Auth Reform Bill passed but there is some additional work that is required with the insurers and will likely be revisited in 2022 to address some of the last-minute orders included from this session. The COVID Immunity Bill and LCSW 1013 Bill were also among the pieces of legislation which passed. Mental Health Parity, | | |

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| | <p>Prohibition on Conversion Therapy, and Psychiatric Directive Bills are among the pieces expected to carry over into the 2022 session. Cathalene Teahan highlighted state/federal funding approvals and adjustments (see Executive Director's slides). Robyn Garrett added via chat:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1.6 billion for the Mental Health Block Grant • \$10.7 billion to support research, prevention, treatment and recovery support services for opioid addiction • \$1 billion to increase the number of counselors, nurses and mental health professionals in schools • \$551 million for home and community-based services • +\$65 billion over FY21 for broadband access <p>In response to a member's inquiry, it is uncertain if a cost of living increase was included within the state budget. Robyn Garrett reported that at the PIP Committee's instruction, the Association's legal counsel has been engaged to determine CSBs inclusion within the Parental Leave Bill but guidance is pending.</p> |
| XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS | <p><u>Administrative Ops</u>- Melanie Dallas highlighted the Committee's new focus on diversity and inclusion, while continuing their review of CCBHCs and COVID. Members encouraged to review the minutes and participate.</p> <p><u>Clinical Ops</u>- Dr. Mark Johnson reported the Committee's recent areas of discussion were around I/DD trade association, DBHDD suicide and domestic violence training, Appendix K updates, and NatCon21 registration. Members were reminded the collection of IDD CIS reports are underway and due to be submitted to June DiPolito. CCBHC technical support remains on the agenda.</p> <p><u>Data Analytics</u>- Dr. Glyn Thomas noted the Committee has not held a meeting since last month. Members were referred to the written report. Robyn Garrett commended Middle Flint and DeKalb leadership for their re-engagement in the collection of CSBs statewide SPQM data. Members currently not participating were reminded of the importance, particularly with CCBHCs on the horizon, to consider participating in this important endeavor.</p> <p><u>Education & Individual Advocacy</u>- Dana Glass stated the Committee met on Mon, April 5. The make-up session for "Best Practices in the Delivery of Telehealth" has been schedule for May 19 and registration is forthcoming. This training session will have on-demand CEU availability for members. CCBHC preparedness training is pending Robyn Garrett's meeting on April 15 with Monica Johnson. The Recovery Empowerment Council held a successful meeting last month and this month's meeting time and date is pending. The Committee brought forth a motion to proceed with the Education Exchange contracting with Legacy Lodge on Lake Lanier for Nov 7-9, 2021. The motion includes contracting with the facility for 2022 dates (totaling a 2-year contract). Motion carried without member opposition.</p> <p><u>Public Image & Policy</u>-Cindy Levi noted on April 8 the Committee held their wrap-up legislative meeting. The Committee's future meeting schedule is currently being determined. Members were informed that Kevin Tanner (County Manager-Forsyth), although no longer a Legislator within Georgia, will continue to serve as Chair to the Commission. The Commission is focusing on last year's recommendations. Noted that the PIP Committee will now focus on the members CCBHC implementation. Judge Boggs' recommendations to the Commission will be incorporated in the co-responder discussions during the April 22 Weekly CEO Touchpoint. The GACSB Executive Office will include a copy of the Reform Committee's recommendations when releasing the meeting minutes.</p> <p><u>FY22 Nominating Committee</u>- David Kidd on behalf of the other Committee members (Bernie Marinelli and Andrea Winston) reported there have only been applications received for the President, Treasurer, and Secretary positions. No applications have been submitted at this time for the officer position of Vice President, but members were reminded of this position's importance. Members were encouraged to consider serving, in any of the four capacities, and were reminded that the nominations end on 4/14/21 at midnight.</p> |
| XIV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT | <p>Jesse Hambrick and Robyn Garrett reviewed the Executive Director's Report PowerPoint. For the Board Retreat, members discussed holding the event during the week of June 7 and June 28, 29, or 30; focus will be on June 28-30 but will also be depending on Commissioner Fitzgerald's availability. South Georgia was proposed for the meeting location but the GACSB office will review a few options and release for member consideration. R.J. Hurn moved to proceed with the support and nomination of Dr. Shannon Gordon to run as Georgia's National Council Board member. Motion seconded by Kent Woerner and carried without opposition.</p> |
| XV. BOARD COMMENT | <p>Judge Joe Bishop reminded members once again that the GACSB officer nominations close tonight (4/14/21) at mid-night.</p> |
| XVI. PUBLIC COMMENT | <p>No public participants provided comment.</p> |
| VII. NEXT MEETING | <p>Next meeting is slated for Wednesday, May 12, 2021 from 10AM-12Noon via Zoom.</p> |
| VIII. ADJOURNMENT | <p>The meeting was adjourned at 11:54am.</p> |
| XIX. CHAIR | <p>Judge Joe Bishop</p> |
| | <p>RECORDER: Lyly Trinh</p> |