



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022 – 10:00AM  
VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**



<b>MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance</b>					
	Chair/President – Kent Woerner, Avita		GA Pines – Larry Nichols	X	Pineland – Armenda Barnes
X	Vice Chair/Vice President – Alecea Quintyne, DeKalb		Highland Rivers – Melanie Dallas	X	River Edge – Dr. Shannon Terrell Gordon
X	Advantage – Tammy Conlin		Highland Rivers – Pending		River Edge – Ray Bennett
X	Advantage – David Kidd	X	Legacy BHS – Pam Cartwright	X	Serenity BHS – Charles Williamson
X	Aspire – Dana Glass		Legacy BHS – Connie Graham		Serenity BHS – Brandon Garrett
	Aspire – Judge Joe Bishop	X	Lookout Mountain – Heather Roesner	X	Unison BH – Tiffany Henderson
X	Avita – Cindy Levi	X	Lookout Mountain – Vanita Hullander		Unison BH- Pending
X	Clayton–Dr. Lee Adams	X	McIntosh Trail – Kenyatta Walker	X	Viewpoint Health – Jennifer Hibbard
X	Clayton – Khadijah Works	X	McIntosh Trail – Sandra Haisten		Viewpoint Health – Lynette Howard
	Cobb – Melanie Dallas	X	Middle Flint – Angela S. Holt	X	Capitol Strategy Group – Travis Lindley
	Cobb – Dr. Carol Holtz		Middle Flint – Dr. David Haigler	X	Capitol Strategy Group – Devin Krecl
X	CSB Middle GA – Denise Forbes		New Horizons – Andrea Winston	X	Capitol Strategy Group – Cathalene Teahan
	CSB Middle GA – Judi Davis		New Horizons – David Ranieri	X	GACSB – Mike Scribner
X	DeKalb – Fabio van der Merwe	X	Oconee – Tyrone Evans	X	GACSB – Robyn Garrett
	Douglas – Monraye Lightford		Oconee – Emily Davis	X	GACSB – Jesse Hambrick
	Douglas – Pending		Pathways – Jade Benefield	X	GACSB – Cameron Vickers
X	Gateway – Dr. Mark Johnson		Pathways – Pending	X	GACSB – Renee Millians
X	GA Pines – RJ Hurn	X	Pineland – June DiPolito		
<b>GUESTS:</b> Valerie Lamb- Serenity BHS					
<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b> GACSB Board Agenda 03/09/22, GACSB Board Meeting Minutes 02/09/2022, February Financial Report, Committee Minutes					
<b>I. WELCOME</b>	Alecea Quintyne, Vice President, called the regular meeting to order at 10:01 am.				
<b>II. APPROVE AGENDA</b>	A motion to pass the 03/09/22 agenda was made by Dr. Shannon Gordon. Motion was seconded by RJ Hurn and carried without opposition.				
<b>III. APPROVE MINUTES</b>	A motion to pass the 02/09/22 minutes was made by Vanita Hullander. Motion was seconded by Tyrone Evans and carried without opposition.				
<b>IV. GOVERNMENT &amp; PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPDATE</b>	<p>Travis Lindley reporting today is Legislative Day 26 with Crossover Day quickly approaching on Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022. HB1013, the Mental Health Parity Act, has passed through the House of Representatives and was assigned to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee on March 7, 2022. Robyn Garrett reported the infant language within the bill was amended before passing through the House Health and Human Services Committee. Robyn stated that Kim Jones, NAMI GA, and Wendi Clifton, government affairs for the GEEARS organization requested a meeting with the CSBs to discuss the language. David Kidd, Cindy Levi, Dr. Shannon Gordon, Dr. Mark Johnson, and Melanie Dallas volunteered to take part in such meeting. Travis is meeting with the Lieutenant Governor's office later today to discuss HB1013 and SB403, the Co Responder Bill, as they move through the opposite chambers. A hearing for SB403 is scheduled for March 14, 2022. Devin Krecl reported that Senator Dr. Kay Kirkpatrick has been appointed to the Behavioral Health Coordinating Council. Travis reported the last hearing for HB 1057, Standard Suite of Services Act, is scheduled to take place March 10, 2022, to determine if it will emerge from the House of Representatives. Federal Budget Update: Cathalene Teahan reported that on the Federal front, congressional negotiators are working together on the details of the \$1.5 Trillion Omnibus spending package. The AFY22 budget that passed out of the Senate on March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, has been finalized and was posted early this morning. Some of the items included in the budget are the \$14 billion aid fund for Ukraine, and \$15 billion dollars for the Covid Response Spending Aid. Cathalene stated they are still awaiting the President's FY23 Budget. State Budget Update: The State's net tax collections for February 2022 were up by 1% in comparison to February 2021. The Amended FY22 Budget is in conference committee, but we may see it pass both chambers soon. The House Appropriations Committee is planning to hear the FY23 Budget proposals on Thursday, March 10, 2022. The meeting begins at 7:00am and the DBHDD</p>				

	<p>section will be heard at 7:45am and they expect the FY23 Budget to pass out of the House on Friday, 3/11/22. Senate Appropriations will begin hearing the FY23 budget proposals on Monday, March 14, 2022, and the DBHDD presentation starts at 10:00am.</p>
<p><b>V. FINANCIAL REPORT</b></p>	<p>Chuck Williamson provided the February Financial Report. A motion to accept the report was made by Fabio van der Merwe. Motion seconded by RJ Hurn and carried without dissent.</p>
<p><b>VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b></p>	<p><u>Administrative Ops</u>- Pamela Cartwright, Vice Chair, reported the last meeting was held on February 10, 2022. Reports were given from numerous groups and the Organizational Climate Surveys were discussed. The HR/Compliance Focus Group had an in-depth discussion about the retention strategies and the tools necessary to keep talented and long-standing employees. Pam stated the group worked on a tool to provide to HR Directors who did not have an internal system that could track the needed information. Laura Fullard with Unison Behavioral Health presented the tool to the committee members. They also discussed other surveys, questions, and training as part of the retention strategy. The next meeting is scheduled for March 10, 2022.</p> <p><u>Clinical Ops</u>- Dr. Mark Johnson, Chair, reported the committee met on March 3, 2022. He stated the committee discussed the NADD certification standards as part of the new DBHDD requirements. Dr. Gordon voiced that NADD had changed the funding structure and re- certification requirements and therefore the process was extremely extensive and a concern. Robyn Garrett stated the Executive Office will discuss the NADD certification at the next DBHDD CCBHC Learning Community Meeting. All parties are in agreement for this discussion to occur. Dr. Johnson reported the committee had concerns with the Workforce Development Cost-of-Living Adjustment and the requirements. Robyn Garrett stated she will discuss the current update of the Workforce Development in her Executive Director’s Report. Dr. Johnson reported the Opioid Settlement funds have still not been released.</p> <p><u>Data Analytics</u>- Tammy Conlin, Chair, reported the last meeting was held February 15, 2022. New Horizons Behavioral Health Center, View Point Health, Unison and Advantage Behavioral Health Systems all participated in the Organizational Climate Learning from Success Presentation on March 2, 2022. Analytics RX has submitted a response to our RFP and the committee will be reviewing the proposal. A sub-committee is reviewing the Annual Financial template and will meet again March 18, 2022. Tammy stated the SPQM meeting will be scheduled for later this month or early next month. The next scheduled meeting is March 15, 2022, at 1:00pm.</p> <p><u>Education &amp; Individual Advocacy</u>- Dana Glass, Chair, reported the last meeting was held March 7, 2022, did not have a quorum and was therefore informational only. The Recovery Empowerment Council is currently on pause. They discussed the 2022 Educational Exchange and plan to meet again on April 18, 2022, following The National Council Conference to discuss potential topics and ideas relating to presentations at the Exchange. Dana reported the committee is looking at location options for the 2023-2024 Educational Exchange. During the committee meeting Dana Glass, Cameron Vickers, and Jesse Hambrick presented on the Training Project workbook pertaining to the CSB training requirements. The next step includes asking a few HR Directors to review and then hand off to the Administrative Operations Committee. Robyn Garrett will be working with President Kent Woerner to nominate new members to the committee.</p> <p><u>Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</u> – Cindy Levi, Chair, reported the last meeting was held on February 28, 2022. Cindy stated the CSBs are facing an operational challenge regarding the housing market. There are two CSB organizations that have reported problems with group homes being sold with little termination notice and having to relocate individuals. Cindy shared during the meeting, a report presented by The Georgia Institute of Human Development and Disability on direct workforce providers and Cindy reported numerous statistics in relation to the presentation. The report indicated most providers left the workplace due to lack of pay and benefits, with stress coming in at a close second. Cindy reported that on February 14, 2022, Georgia received notification of a conditional approval of the ARPA funds. Cindy stated that both DCH and DBHDD have questions regarding the condition and will let everyone know when they can move forward with the additional funding. A representative from NADD will be attending the next committee meeting scheduled for March 28, 2022, at 11:00am.</p> <p><u>Public Image and Policy</u> – David Kidd, Chair, reported that the last meeting was held 03/07/2022 and the next scheduled meeting is on 04/11/2022 at 2:00pm. Chairman Kidd highlighted current events represented by various members and the Executive Office of GACSB to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On February 9, 2022, Tammy Conlin, Cindy Levi, and Dr. Mark Johnson testified before the Senate House and Human Services Committee on SB 403 Co Responder Bill.</li> <li>• CSB Day at the Capitol was held virtually on February 16, 2022, with Representative Sharon Cooper in attendance for discussion of HB1013, the Mental Health Parity Act.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The HB1013 passed out of the House Health and Human Services Committee on March 2, 2022. Speaker David Roslton spoke in favor of the legislation during this hearing.</li> <li>• In addition, Chairman Kidd stated the committee had vast discussion on the Strategic Plan “Branding” Strategy. He brought forth a motion from the committee to consider adopting a consistent format of listing Board Members on individual CSB websites. No second to the motion needed so Presiding Chair Quintyne called for the vote which passed with 2 members in opposition and one member abstaining. Adding the GACSB logo to the homepage of each CSB website as well as Board approved crafted language describing CSBs as a public safety net in Georgia, were also ideas that Robyn Garrett presented to the committee to consider in the near future. David stated the Executive Office is working on an updated statewide CSB map for purposes such as sharing with stakeholders and use at various stakeholder meetings.</li> </ul>
<b>VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT</b>	Jesse Hambrick reported out on the special invitation he received from Douglas County Sherriff’s Office to meet with Hershel Walker to further educate him on the role that CSBs play in the mental health community across Georgia. Reference the Executive Director’s Report slides which also include a Strategic Plan Update and GACSB Annual Elections breakdown. During the report, a motion to appoint Armenda Barnes and Tyrone Evans as members of the Nominating Committee at the recommendation of President, Kent Woerner was made by Denise Forbes and seconded by RJ Hurn. The Motion was carried without opposition. Per the GACSB Bylaws the Nominating Committee is Chaired by our Immediate Past President, Judge Joe Bishop with two additional members who are not members of the Executive Committee.
<b>VIII. BOARD OR PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	Vice-President Quintyne took a point of privilege to thank members of the Board for the outreach of condolences following the recent passing of her mother. No further comments provide by the Board nor the Public.
<b>IX. NEXT MEETING &amp; ADJOURNMENT</b>	Dr. Shannon Gordon made a Motion to adjourn with Dr. Mark Johnson seconding the motion. The motion carried without dissent and the meeting was adjourned at 11:27AM.
<b>CHAIR:</b>	Alecea Quintyne
	<b>RECORDER:</b> Renee Millians