



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2021 ~ 11:30AM  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**



<b>MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance</b>			
X	Chair/President – Kent Woerner, Avita		GA Pines – Larry Nichols
X	Vice Chair/Vice President – Alecea Quintyne, DeKalb		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 – Paivi Parssinen (Proxy)
X	Aspire – Judge Joe Bishop	X	Legacy BHS – Connie Graham
X	Avita – Cindy Levi	X	Lookout Mountain – Heather Roesner
	Clayton–Dr. Lee Adams		Lookout Mountain – Vanita Hullender
	Clayton – Khadijah Works	X	McIntosh Trail – Kenyatta Walker
X	Cobb – Melanie Dallas	X	McIntosh Trail – Sandra Haisten
	Cobb – Dr. Carol Holtz		Middle Flint – Angela S. Holt
X	CSB Middle GA – Denise Forbes		Middle Flint – Dr. David Haigler
	CSB Middle GA – Judi Davis		New Horizons – Andrea Winston
X	DeKalb – Fabio van der Merwe		New Horizons – David Ranieri
	Douglas – Monraye Lightford	X	Oconee – Tyrone Evans
	Douglas – Pending		Oconee – Emily Davis
X	Gateway – Dr. Mark Johnson		Pathways – Jade Benefield
X	GA Pines – RJ Hurn		Pathways – Pending
			Pineland – June DiPolito
			Pineland – Armenda Barnes
		X	River Edge – Dr. Shannon Terrell Gordon
			River Edge – Ray Bennett
		X	Serenity BHS – Charles Williamson
			Serenity BHS – Dr. Frank McPhail
		X	Unison BH – Dr. Glyn Thomas
			Unison BH – Lowell Williamson
		X	Viewpoint Health – Jennifer Hibbard
			Viewpoint Health – Keith Ellis
		X	Capitol Strategy Group – Travis Lindley
			Capitol Strategy Group – Devin Krecl
			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
<b>GUESTS:</b> Advantage BHS – Tom Hoover, Advantage BHS – Reginald Hunter, CSB Middle GA – Amy Tribble			
<b>DISTRIBUTION:</b> GACSB Board Agenda 11/10/2021, GACSB Board Meeting Minutes 10/13/2021, Financial Report 11-2021, GACSB Annual Audit Report 2021, Admin Ops Committee Minutes 10-2021, Data Analytics Committee Minutes 11-2021, Public Image and Policy Committee Minutes 11-2021, I/DD Committee Draft Minutes 10-2021			
<b>I. WELCOME</b>	Kent Woerner, President, called the regular meeting to order at 11:57am. The preamble and GACSB Values Statement were read aloud.		
<b>II. APPROVE AGENDA</b>	A motion to pass the 11/10/2021 agenda was made by Judge Joe Bishop. Motion was seconded by Tyrone Evans and carried without opposition.		
<b>III. APPROVE MINUTES</b>	A motion to pass the 10/13/2021 minutes was made by RJ Hurn. Motion was seconded by Judge Joe Bishop and carried without opposition.		
<b>X. GOVERNMENT &amp; PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPDATE</b>	Travis Lindley provided members with highlights regarding the special session for redistricting. The special session is expected to wrap-up on November 18 <sup>th</sup> or 19 <sup>th</sup> . All members, and specifically the Metro Atlanta Area, were encouraged to monitor the new map as their Senator may change. Although no action will be taken on it yet, hearings will begin on the Psychiatric Advance Directive next week. CSG continues to work with the Governor’s office on the Behavioral Health Commission’s recommendations. Expected legislation is forthcoming and will likely contain a piece on Mental Health Parity; expect to have more in the coming week, but it is uncertain where the Senate stands on this. There has not been any mention of 988. CSG noted additional DCH leadership staff, such as the CFO, have been released from their duties.		
<b>XI. JUSTICE - MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE &amp; UPCOMING LEGISLATION</b>	Judge David Sweat was provided several moments to present to the membership. He focused on the importance of Co-Responder models needing to be implemented as there is a need to divert from the jails and emergency rooms and into behavioral health crisis services. Judge Sweat reviewed legislation that he has created with the assistance of others that would create co-response teams across the state. The legislation he is presenting this session will require CSBs and local law enforcement to create teams. He recognizes that the model may be a challenge in the rural areas, but they believe technology can potentially be the answer and referenced Chuck Ingoglia’s presentation which indicated there are federal dollars available for models that would address these challenges. Discussions will be held with CSG to determine the appropriate legislative champion to partner with and sponsor the Bill. CMHC funds were received by Aspire for a Co-Responder Model while approximately 10 other CSBs received supplemental MHBG CAREs ACT funds to implement or		

	assist with co-response. The members are being asked to support the proposed draft legislation. Members agreed that the document will be brought forth to the PIP Committee during their next meeting on December 6, 2021.		
<b>XII. FINANCIAL REPORT</b>	Chuck Williamson provided the November Financial Report. A motion to accept the report was made by Judge Joe Bishop. Motion seconded by Alecea Quintyne and carried without dissent. Mike Scribner provided members with the annual auditor's report, noting no negative points were found. Melanie Dallas moved to accept the audit report. Motion seconded by Denise Forbes and carried without dissent.		
<b>XIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS</b>	<p><u>Administrative Ops</u>- Melanie Dallas referred members to the minutes but stated the next meeting is December 10<sup>th</sup>. She asked that leadership ensure their CFOs are involved as the Committee will be focusing on elements which will require some data input.</p> <p><u>Clinical Ops</u>- Jennifer Hibbard noted the small workgroups have completed their tasks that were focusing on CCBHC. A status report will be released to all members. MCO renegotiations and the workforce pipeline are on the upcoming agenda. The Co-Responder implementation will also remain on their agenda.</p> <p><u>Data Analytics</u>- Dr. Glyn Thomas indicated the Committee met the week prior and minutes were distributed for review. A Costing Study RFP is being developed and the National Council is being engaged for guidance. An SPQM Group meeting has been scheduled for November 18<sup>th</sup>. Members were encouraged to contact Cam Vickers if they have any issues or questions on their reports. The Annual Organization Surveys will be released in December for collection and the Staffing Turn-Over Survey as well. Next meeting on Dec 7<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p><u>Education &amp; Individual Advocacy</u>- Dana Glass informed members the Committee did not meet in November as the focus was on hosting the Educational Exchange.</p> <p><u>Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities</u>-Cindy Levi referred members to the minutes. Reminded members of the I/DD Fact Sheet and Cover Page, asking that they please send to their legislators. Next meeting has been scheduled for November 22<sup>nd</sup>.</p> <p><u>Public Image &amp; Policy</u>- David Kidd referred members to the minutes provided. It is the Committee's intent to select a piece of legislation that will give the CSBs a "win" to assist with the public image of the membership.</p> <p><u>2021 GACSB Strategic Plan</u> – R.J. Hurn moved to accept the living document created from the discussions held over the course of the Strategic Planning event. Motion seconded by Judge Joe Bishop and carried without dissent.</p> <p><u>Executive Director's Report</u> – Robyn Garrett brought forth to members the CMS vaccination mandate. CSBs do not fall under the OSHA regulations. There was some concern regarding one presenters PHE statements and the impact it has on the members ability to hold virtual meetings, but clarification indicated the national PHE is still in place through the end of the calendar year and provides coverage for members to proceed with the electronic format.</p>		
<b>XIV. BOARD OR PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	David Kidd noted the open meetings reiterates the importance of CSBs' designation in statute. As the group moves forward how the CSBs address this fine line in the future will be discussed by the PIP Committee. Lowell Williamson made a positive statement on the membership's decision to proceed with the presentation of a Resolution to former DCH/DBHDD Commissioner Frank Berry. Melanie Dallas shared that the Boards have officially made a determination that Cobb County CSB and Highland Rivers Health will be proceeding with their consolidation (expected to finalize July 2022). Haralson's absorption will be finalized in January 2022. In response to an inquiry, a decision has not been made regarding its future name.		
<b>XV. NEXT MEETING &amp; ADJOURNMENT</b>	With no additional comments, Judge Bishop moved to adjourn at 12:45pm. Motion seconded by Melanie Dallas.		
<b>XVI. CHAIR</b>	Kent Woerner	<b>RECORDER:</b>	Lyly Trinh