



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS Thursday**  
**September 26 , 2024 – 3:00 PM**  
**VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

<b>MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance</b>			
	Chair/President – Alecea Quintyne, DeKalb		GA Pines – Larry Nichols
X	Vice Chair/Vice President – David Kidd, Advantage		Highland Rivers – Melanie Dallas
X	Advantage – Tammy Conlin	X	Highland Rivers – Leland Johnson
X	Aspire – Dana Glass		Legacy BHS – Pamela Cartwright
	Aspire – Jeanette Henderson		Legacy BHS – Connie Graham
X	Avita – Cindy Levi	X	McIntosh Trail – Kenyatta Walker
	Avita – Kent Woerner	X	McIntosh Trail – Sandra Haisten
X	Bridge Health – Heather Roesner	X	Middle Flint – Angela S. Holt
	Bridge Health – Vanita Hullander	X	Middle Flint – Gail Robinson
	Clayton–Barbara June		New Horizons – Andrea Winston
	Clayton – Khadijah Works		New Horizons – Damon Hoyte
X	CSB Middle GA – Denise Forbes		Oconee – Latonya Keaton
	CSB Middle GA – Judi Davis		Oconee – Emily Davis
X	DeKalb – Fabio van der Merwe		Pathways – Jade Benefield
	Douglas – Monraye Lightford		Pathways – Pending
	Douglas – Pending	X	Pineland – June DiPolito
X	Gateway – Ashley Allen	X	Pineland – Armenda Barnes
	GA Pines – RJ Hurn		River Edge – Cass Hatcher
<b>GUESTS: None</b>			
<b>DISTRIBUTION: GACSB Board Meeting Agenda 09/26/2024 ,</b>			
<b>I. WELCOME</b>	Alecea Quintyne, President, called the virtual board meeting to order and then Cindy Levi read the GACSB Preamble and Core Values statement aloud.		
<b>II. APPROVE AGENDA</b>	A motion to pass the agenda was made by June Dipilito. Motion was seconded by Angela Holt and carried without opposition.		
<b>IV. GOVERNMENT &amp; PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPDATE</b>	Governmental Affairs Representation Search <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• True North recommended as new government affairs team</li> <li>• Aligned with GACSB mission/values and budget</li> <li>• Georgia-based, not currently representing other behavioral health entities</li> <li>• Dana Glass motioned for approval of True North as the new Government Affairs team &amp; Fabio VanderMerwe seconded for approval; motion carried without opposition.</li> <li>• Next steps: Work out contract details, introduce at October board meeting</li> <li>•</li> </ul>		
<b>V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR STAFFING COMPANY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI) proposal for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Executive director search/staffing</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial services support</li> <li>• Proposal ~\$6,000 below previous costs with Strategic Health Care Partners</li> <li>• References provided positive feedback on CCSI's responsiveness and capabilities</li> <li>• Denise Forbes motioned to approve the CCSI for Executive Director search &amp; staffing, as well as Financial Services Support Role, Angela Holt seconded, motion carried without opposition.</li> </ul>
<b>VI. IDD RATE IMPLEMENTATION LETTER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Cindy Levi presented request from SPADD to co-sign an advocacy letter.</u></b></li> <li>• SPADD drafted strongly-worded letter to DCH/DBHDD commissioners about the 3-month delay</li> <li>• Concerns raised about tone and potential impact on relationships with DBHDD</li> <li>• Discussed various edit suggestions</li> <li>• GACSB board 9 no-8 yes on signing joint letter with SPADD</li> <li>• Association will not sign SPADD's letter; will strategize own approach at later date</li> </ul>

<b>VII. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RATE UPDATES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioner Tanner approved new fee-for-service BH rates, retroactive to July 1</li> <li>• Retro payments expected in October 8th check run</li> <li>• Still awaiting CMS approval on Medicaid rates</li> </ul>		
<b>IX. PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	No public comments.		
<b>X. NEXT MEETING &amp; ADJOURNMENT</b>	The next meeting is scheduled 10/09/2024 A motion to adjourn was made by Dana Glass. Motion was seconded by Denise Forbes and the meeting adjourned at .		
<b>CHAIR:</b>	Alecea Quintyne	<b>RECORDER:</b>	Dana Glass