



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS
PUBLIC IMAGE AND POLICY COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 14TH, 2023 9:00AM
VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES**



MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance					
X	Chair- Melanie Dallas – Highland Rivers	X	View Point- Jennifer Hibbard		
X	Vice Chair- David Kidd - Advantage	X	Consultant- CSG- Travis Lindley		
	Advantage- Tammy Conlin	X	Consultant- CSG- Cathalene Teahan		
X	Aspire- Dana Glass	X	Consultant- CSG- Devin Krecl		
X	Aspire- Judge Joe Bishop		SHP- Mike Scribner		
X	Avita – Cindy Levi	X	GACSB- Robyn Garrett		
	Avita- Kent Woerner	X	GACSB- Jesse Hambrick		
X	Dekalb- Alecea Quintyne	X	GACSB- Renee Millians		
X	Highland Rivers- Mike Mullet		GACSB- Dr. Glyn Thomas		
X	Pineland- June DiPolito				
GUESTS:					
DISTRIBUTION: PIP 02/14/2023 Agenda, PIP 01/10/2023 Minutes					

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action/Resolution	Responsibility	Due Date
Welcome/Preamble	Melanie Dallas called the virtual meeting to order at 9:03AM			
Approval of Agenda	A motion to approve the 02/14/2023 agenda was made by Judge Joe Bishop and seconded by June DiPolito. Motion carried without dissent.			
Approval of Minutes	A motion to approve the 01/10/2023 meeting minutes was made by Judge Joe Bishop and seconded by June DiPolito. Motion carried without dissent.			
Government and Public Affairs Update	<p>Travis Lindley reported it is Legislative Day 18 of the 2023 Legislative Session and gave the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative Mary Margaret Oliver has a reprisal bill that's anticipated to drop later this week. • They are watching a number of bills with a focus on children and gender modification. • 800-1,00 bills drawn up but not yet introduced <p>Travis suggested that members arrive early for CSB Day at the Capitol due to traffic and security at the</p>			

	<p>entrance. Cathalene Teahan provided the following additional updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Amended FY23 Budget is in the Senate • Commissioner Tanner presented during the Appropriations meeting yesterday, February 13, with the following highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Commissioner Tanner recognized the CSBs for the I/DD Rate Study Comments submitted ▪ He has a 5-year plan to reduce the number of private crisis beds by 20% each year ▪ The cost of private beds has increased significantly from \$675/day to \$840/day ▪ Wage increases for I/DD 			
<p>Strategic Plan Discussion/Update</p>	<p>In preparation for CSB Day at the Capitol, there was much discussion about the I/DD Rate Study and how the CSBs could align with the department's recommendations while meeting with legislators. Cindy Levi recommended that members focus on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The utilization of a wage base rate of \$18.86 per hour. • Community Access- no rate should be lower than the current rate of \$3.65 per unit. • In-Facility & In-Community rates- Reduce the complexity by supporting one facility rate and one community rate with the community rate being higher <p>Cathalene Teahan suggested the message to legislators be simple and short, indicating that CSBs look forward to the completion of the rate study and the need for higher rates.</p> <p>CSB Legislative Meetings/Tracking- Robyn Garrett reported that 7 CSBs have documented meetings in the shared file.</p> <p>Co-Response- No update reported due to time.</p> <p>AOT- Melanie Dallas, Chair, reported there are AOT meetings being scheduled.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craft some language around the I/DD Rate Study and send out to Board of Directors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 02/15/2023

	<p>Public Image- Members were reminded of CSB Day at the Capitol on February 16, 2023 and were encouraged to arrive early and be mindful of items in their purse, pockets, or briefcases. Renee Millians sent an email to the Board and CSB Team members that plan to attend the event on February 16 that included an itinerary, printing materials, and other helpful information.</p> <p>GAP Analysis- Melanie Dallas, Chair, reported that Resilient GA had a meeting with Commissioner Kevin Tanner on February 9, 2023, and are still waiting on an update from the meeting.</p> <p>Opioid Settlement- Robyn Garrett reported the attorneys advised CSBs to refrain from signing anything yet. Robyn indicated that she is working with the attorneys to have someone attend a CEO Weekly Touchpoint meeting on February 23 or March 2, 2023.</p>			
BHRIC Update	No updates currently.			
Other	None.			
Next Meeting	<p>The next virtual meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2023, at 9AM.</p> <p>Legislative Touchpoints during session- Robyn Garrett suggested that the group monitor what legislation drops this week and then touch base about meeting prior to March 14 if needed.</p>			
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 9:48AM.			
Chair	Melanie Dallas	Recorded By: Renee Millians		