



**GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARDS
PUBLIC IMAGE AND POLICY COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 10, 2023, 9:00AM
VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES**



MEMBERSHIP ATTENDANCE: X - Denotes Attendance					
X	Chair- Melanie Dallas – Highland Rivers	X	Pineland- June DiPolito		
X	Vice Chair- David Kidd - Advantage		View Point- Jennifer Hibbard		
X	Advantage- Tammy Conlin	X	Consultant- CSG- Travis Lindley		
X	Aspire- Dana Glass	X	Consultant- CSG- Cathalene Teahan		
	Aspire- Judge Joe Bishop	X	Consultant- CSG- Devin Krecl		
X	Avita – Cindy Levi		SHP- Mike Scribner		
	Avita- Kent Woerner	X	GACSB- Robyn Garrett		
	DeKalb- Alecea Quintyne	X	GACSB- Jesse Hambrick		
	DeKalb- Fabio van der Merwe	X	GACSB- Renee Millians		
X	Highland Rivers- Mike Mullet		GACSB- Dr. Glyn Thomas		
GUESTS: Debbie Varnes-View Point Health					
DISTRIBUTION: PIP 10/10/2023 Agenda, PIP 09/12/2023 Minutes					

Agenda Items	Discussion	Action/Resolution	Responsibility	Due Date
Welcome/Preamble	Melanie Dallas called the virtual meeting to order at 9:0AM			
Approval of Agenda	A motion to approve the 10/10/2023 agenda was made by June DiPolito and seconded by Tammy Conlin. Motion carried without dissent.			
Approval of Minutes	A motion to approve the 09/12/2023 meeting minutes was made by June DiPolito and seconded by David Kidd. Motion carried without dissent.			
Government and Public Affairs Update	Devin Krecl reported the following updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparations for the 2024 Legislative Session continues • There potentially will be a special session called for the re-drawing of the maps • The GACSB Legislative Agenda will be presented to the Board during the November Board Meeting • Conversations with DBHDD about adding language regarding the Open Meetings Act to a clean-up bill • Representative Katie Dempsey will be attending the 2023 Annual Leadership Conference 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Touch base with Michael Polachek about the ABD population included in the Medicaid Managed Care RFP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capitol Strategy Group 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11/14/23

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative Sharon Cooper and Attorney General Chris Carr have been invited to attend the Plenary Luncheon of the Leadership Conference as well • Governor Kemp renewed the gas tax <p>Cathalene Teahan reported that the state has still not decided what to do with the \$700 million of Opioid Settlement dollars.</p>			
Strategic Plan Discussion/Update	<p>FY24 Overview and PIP tasks- Melanie Dallas reminded members of the FY24 Strategic Plan PIP tasks. Members can access the FY24 Strategic Plan slide deck under the Board Members only tab on the GACSB website.</p> <p>Tracking CSB Legislative Meetings/DBHDD Meetings & site tours- Cindy Levi reported that ACCG asked for all County Commissioners to sign a resolution requesting that Legislators allocate funds towards Behavioral Health, Co-Response, and Mental Health services. David Kidd indicated the resolution was brought up by the Commissioner of Baldwin County. David reported the resolution had strong language and it encouraged legislatures to place more funding into mental and behavioral health. Melanie Dallas posted the link to the resolution in the virtual chat box. https://www.accg.org/page.php?ID=2105 Members agreed that all counties should acknowledge the resolution and use it for advocacy efforts.</p> <p>Co-Response/AOT- Jesse Hambrick reported having conversations with DBHDD regarding current funding and the partnership between CSBs and DBHDD with Co-Response.</p> <p>Public Image- Jesse Hambrick reported the Executive Office is having conversations about attending and supporting CSBs at their local events.</p> <p>GAP Analysis- Melanie reminded members that Robyn Garrett sent out the GAP Analysis RFP to CEOs via email on September 12, 2023.</p> <p>Opioid Settlement- Update will be provided at the October Board Meeting.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put together an acknowledgment letter to be used for advocacy efforts with legislatures. • Jesse Hambrick making sure that this is brought to Robyn Garrett’s attention as well. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Office 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11/14/23

	Other- None.			
BHRIC Update	<p>Cindy Levi reported the Hospital & Short-Term Care subcommittee met on September 28 and the following topics were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cindy Levi presented to the subcommittee about the challenges with Provider Enrollment • Certificate of Need laws presentation • EmPATH units <p>Cindy Levi reported the Child and Adolescent Subcommittee also met on September 28 and 3 school Superintendents presented on what they are doing in their schools to focus on mental health and access to mental health services. Cindy reported the Forensic Advisory Subcommittee met on October 4 and provided the following highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Forensic Psychologist from Tennessee presented forensic competency and individuals with co-occurring diagnoses. • Dr. Oliver spoke on the blueprint in Texas for eliminating the waiting list • The need for a clear definition of outpatient restoration • The subcommittee will tour Atlanta Regional Hospital on November 15, 2023. 			
Other	None.			
Next Meeting	The next meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2023, at 9:00AM.			
Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 9:56AM.			
Chair	Melanie Dallas	Recorded By: Renee Millians		