



## **BOARD MEETING SUMMARY August 22, 2019**

Members Present: Chair Sandra Taylor, Secretary Adam Kennedy, Angie Holt (via telephone), Dick Yarbrough, Dr. Thomas Coleman, Danny Blackmon, Fred Stephens, Penny Penn, Margaret Kaiser, John Edwards (via telephone), and Judge Lisa Colbert (via telephone). Judicial Advisory Council Members Present: Judge Steve Teske and Judge Quintress Gilbert (via telephone).

### **Motions and Other Business:**

1. Chair Taylor called the meeting of the Board of Juvenile Justice to order on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 10:03 AM.
2. A motion to approve the August 22, 2019 agenda was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.
3. A motion to approve the July 25, 2019 minutes was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.
4. The Commissioner's report was included in the materials. Commissioner Tyrone Oliver presented the report. He announced the retirement of Deputy Commissioner of Secure Campuses Sherry Shoats. She made a few remarks, thanking staff and the Executive Team.
5. Senior Human Resources Manager Tamara Mays presented the Faithful Service awards.
6. Deputy Commissioner of Secure Detention Pamela Johnson presented an update on facilities. Board member Edwards asked about exit interviews because of the vacancies at the facilities. Chair Taylor would like more information regarding the Diana Screenings. Board member Yarbrough asked for trend analysis regarding staff retention. Secretary Kennedy asked about the number of youths awaiting YDC placement.
7. Deputy Commissioner of Community Services Victor Roberts presented on the overview of the division and court services. Board member Kaiser asked about Superior Court youth and Board member Stephens asked about CHINS referrals. Secretary Kennedy inquired about the evidence-based programming provided in

the community. Chair Taylor asked for a report on grants. Secretary Kennedy asked about the staffing rates in the community and pay for JPPSs. Board member Edwards mentioned supervisor's treatment of staff.

8. PREA Coordinator Adam Barnett gave an overview of ACA's (American Correctional Association) accreditation process and PREA audits. Secretary Kennedy asked about the accreditation process and facility issues. Office of Professional Standards Director Latera Davis and other staff provided additional information regarding ACA. Board member Edwards asked about policy enforcement. Because of time constraints, Chair Taylor stopped the PREA presentation and moved on the presentation from the Office of Human Resources.
9. Transactions Manager Edward Butler presented on the overview of the Office of Human Resources (HR). The Board asked him to focus on staff retention and turnover statistics. The Board also asked about exit interviews. HR will present a report on staff retention/turnover and exit interviews at the next meeting.
10. A motion to adjourn the Board of Juvenile Justice and to reconvene as the Juvenile Justice Board of Education was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.
11. Interim Associate Superintendent Dr. Rufus Johnson presented on the "90-Day Action Plan" and AdvancED update.
12. A motion to adjourn the Juvenile Justice Board of Education and to reconvene as the Board of Juvenile Justice was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.
13. Chair Comments: No comments.
14. Old Business: No old business. Board member Coleman mentioned the importance of accreditation.
15. New Business: No new business.
16. With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting will be on September 26, 2019, at 10 AM in the Central Office, Decatur, GA 30032.