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Board of Juvenile Justice Thursday, January 23, 2020 Decatur, GA

## **Opening Remarks**

Chair Taylor called to order the meeting of the Board of Juvenile Justice at 10:03 am. The meeting was held at the DJJ Central Office, Decatur, GA.

DJJ Staff Present: Commissioner Tyrone Oliver, Chief of Staff Mark J. Mitchell, Assistant Commissioner Sean C. Hamilton, DC Shawanda Reynolds-Cobb, Mattie Robinson, Dr. Monica Henson, Kiara Williams, Chaplain Danny A. Horne, B. Keith Jones, Ombudsman Herman Archie, Dr. Ron Koon, CFO Steven Carter-Williams, Terry Lee, Director Dana Kilpatrick, Jessica Walker, Lisa Harkness, Dr. Rufus Johnson, Tracy Cassell, DC Victor Roberts, Director Glenn Allen, DC Margaret Cawood, Zane Shelfer, Tora Pierce, Director Windy Hix, Max Tran, Melissa Cannon, Uliton Casey, Andrew McGee, Winifred Pierce, Monaleto C. Irby, Herman Oglesby Jr., Hilroy Wilson, Dr. Christy Doyle, Barbara Franklin, Chris Saxton, ADC Audrey Stokes, DC Pamela Johnson, Cheryl Davis, Director Latera Davis, Dr. Letunya Walker, Carrie T. Hamilton-Shavers, Dave Schwartz, Director Debaja Coleman, Gail Smith, ADC Lisa Mantz, ADC Martha Dalesio, Bray Taylor, Rebecca Akselrod, Tasha Williams, Consquelo Turner, Racquel Watson, Pansy Bryant, Shyniece Howard, Nikki Covera, ADC Michael McNeely, Christine R. Brown, Robbin Dickerson, Carlos Hardy, ADC Susan Miller, Director Matt Wolfe, Tamara Mays, Keisha Douglas, Donica Thorpe, Dr. Michelle Staples-Horne, Larkin Cook, Mary Shephard, Janssen Robinson, Scott Cagle, ADC Allyson, Richardson

**Others Present**: Amy Radley, Attorney General's Office; Marci Scott, Home Depot; David Pearson, Home Depot

**Secretary's Report**: Board member John B. Edwards conducted the Roll Call. The following members were present: Danny L. Blackmon, Judge Lisa G. Colbert (teleconference), Dr. Thomas Coleman, John B. Edwards, Angie M. Holt (teleconference), Margaret D. Kaiser, Elaine P. Snow (teleconference), Fred Stephens, Chair Sandra H. Taylor, Dick Yarbrough and Judge Quintress Gilbert

Chair Taylor asked for a motion to approve the current agenda. A motion was made and seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Taylor asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Board meeting. A motion was made and seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

## **Commissioner's Report:**

The Commissioner's Report was included in the Board materials. Commissioner Tyrone Oliver presented the report to the Board.

The following topics were discussed:

Commissioner Tyrone Oliver updated the board on staff and welcome Chaplain Horne back. The Commissioner recognized and welcomed Mr. David Pearson and Ms. Marci Scott from Home Depot.

Commissioner Oliver talked about the body camera policy and implementation in the facilities as well as the community.

Board member Edwards discussed the empirical, evidence-based effect of the use of body cameras. Board member Stephens suggested looking at policies of other school districts. Board member Yarbrough asked about the number of body cameras currently being utilized.

Commissioner Oliver also mentioned the restructuring of the secure facilities leadership, and he provided turnover rates and new hire status. He also discussed budget hearings being conducted by the General Assembly and recommendations for the required budget cuts.

Director B. Keith Jones introduced Home Depot officials, Mr. David Pearson and Ms. Marci Scott. Mr. Pearson and Ms. Scott gave a presentation of the partnership and benefits to the youth and the agency. (Addendum A)

This concluded the Commissioner's report.

Chair Taylor asked for a motion to adjourn from the regular DJJ Board Meeting and reconvene as the DJJ School Board. A motion was made by Board member Edward and seconded by Board member Kaiser. The motion carried unanimously.

## **Board of Education:**

Deputy Superintendent Monica Henson presented the "good news" of the students and staff, including graduation rates, and parental engagement. **(Addendum B)**Dr. Henson reminded the staff, board members and guest of upcoming Teacher of the Year banquet and award ceremony that will be held in Jekyll Island this year.

Chair Taylor asked for a motion to adjourn from the DJJ School Board and reconvene as the regular DJJ Board. A motion was made by the Board member Edwards and seconded by Board member Stephens. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Oliver talked about the ACA accreditation of four facilities. He also mentioned the delegation from Dubai visiting. Governmental Relations Director Zach Louis gave a brief legislative update.

| Chair Taylor thanked the Commissioner and staff for an informative meeting. She reminded the Board members to file with the State Ethics Committee before the end of the month.   |  |  |  |
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| Old Business:<br>No old business  |  |  |  |
| New Business: No new business  Comments: None  With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting will be on February 27 2020, at 10 AM in the Central Office, Decatur, GA 30032. |  |  |  |
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| John B. Edwards, Board Member<br>Board of Juvenile Justice  |  |  |  |

**Chair's Comments:**