



BOARD MEETING SUMMARY December 12, 2019

Members Present: Chair Sandra Taylor, Vice-Chair Willie Bolton, Secretary Adam Kennedy, Dick Yarbrough, Dr. Thomas Coleman, Danny Blackmon, Margaret Kaiser, Penny Penn, Judge Lisa Colbert, and James Valbrun. No Judicial Advisory Council Members were present.

Motions and Other Business:

1. Chair Taylor called the meeting of the Board of Juvenile Justice to order on Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 10:03 AM.
2. A motion to amend the December 12, 2019 agenda to add an executive session and approve the agenda as amended was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.
3. A motion to approve the October 24, 2019 minutes was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.
4. The Commissioner's report was included in the materials. Commissioner Tyrone Oliver provided some staff updates.
5. HR Director Dana Kilpatrick presented the Faithful Service Awards.
6. Real estate resolutions: 1) regarding the Eastman RYDC surplus request, Vice-Chair Bolton moved for adoption, and Secretary Kennedy seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. 2) Regarding the lease of the former Paulding RYDC, Secretary Kennedy moved for adoption, Vice-Chair Bolton seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously. 3) Regarding the Johnson State Prison custody transfer request, Board member Yarbrough moved for adoption, Secretary Kennedy seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.
7. Commissioner Oliver gave youth admission and release data. Chair Taylor asked about the training reimbursement agreements. Secretary Kennedy and Judge Colbert asked about youth awaiting residential (both secure and nonsecure) placements.

8. Commissioner Oliver mentioned two facilities (Elbert Shaw RYDC and Bob Richards RYDC) receiving top scores during the ACA accreditation audits. He also presented on the LEAP graduation ceremony. Judge Colbert commended the staff. Chair Taylor would like a status update on the graduates. Board member Yarbrough would like to highlight the youth achievements. He also asked about the Department's internship programs. The Board would like to know more about them and the total number of interns and volunteers. Commissioner Oliver also mentioned the Department's state charitable contributions, the youths' December graduation ceremony, and the Department's participation in the Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS) "Secret Santa Program." The Commissioner gave a brief update on the Employee Exit Interview process, and he invited the Board to the holiday luncheon following the meeting.
9. 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.
10. Interim Associate Superintendent Dr. Rufus Johnson was recognized. New Deputy Superintendent Monica Henson addressed the Board. Assistant Deputy Superintendent Zane Shelfer presented the graduation statistics. Judge Colbert wanted information on the students on IEPs, reading levels, etc. Chair Taylor would like a report. Assistant Deputy Superintendent Letunya Walker presented the Teacher of the Year finalists and Teacher of the Year. The Board commended them.
11. 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.
12. Chair Comments: Chair Taylor encouraged the Board to attend the graduation ceremony. She also mentioned the card for former Chair Elaine Snow.
13. Old Business: No old business.
14. New Business: No new business.
15. Secretary Kennedy moved for Executive Session to discuss personnel and litigation matters. Board member Dr. Coleman seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. After session, Dr. Coleman moved to resume regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Board member Valbrun and approved unanimously.

16. With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting will be on January 23, 2020, at 10 AM in the Central Office, Decatur, GA 30032.

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