



Board Meeting Summary January 25, 2024

Motions and Other Business:

1. Chair Sandra Taylor called the joint meeting of the Boards of Juvenile Justice and Education to order on Thursday, January 25, 2024, at approximately 10:03 AM.
2. Board member Danny Blackmon moved for the approval of the agenda. It was seconded and approved unanimously.
3. Vice-Chair Willie Bolton moved for the approval of the December 14, 2023, minutes. It was seconded and approved unanimously.
4. The Commissioner talked about the graduation ceremony and commended the teams who participated in making the student graduation ceremony a success. She also talked about Bob Richards (Rome) and Marietta Regional Youth Detention Centers (RYDCs) obtaining national reaccreditation from the American Correctional Association (ACA). The Commissioner updated on the Gwinnett CSEC Center and the ribbon-cutting ceremony with First Lady Marty Kemp.
5. The Commissioner also updated the Board on the budget hearings and about the recent appointments to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC), the Juvenile Justice Advisory Group.
6. Deputy Superintendent Zane Shelfer updated the Board regarding education.
7. Secretary Adam Kennedy moved to approve the 2024-2025 school calendar. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.
8. A presentation was given by the GED Director Melissa Cannon on the Overview of the GED Program Pathway to Success – High School Equivalency Program (HSE)
9. DJJ Legislative and Community Liaison Margaret Cawood updated the Board on the legislative session.
10. Chief Financial Officer Steven Carter-Williams presented on the budget recommendations.

11. Old Business: No old business
12. New Business: Announcement that Board Member Joyette Holmes was appointed to the Board of Pardons and Paroles and resigned from the DJJ Board.
13. Chair Comments: Chair Taylor informed the Board members that the next board meeting will be held on February 22, 2024, at Central Office.
14. With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.
15. The next scheduled meeting will be on April 22, 2024 at 10 AM.

Cindy Wang, General Counsel