Tyrone Oliver, Commissioner



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Board of Juvenile Justice Thursday, June 25, 2020 Decatur, GA

Board Meeting Minutes

Opening Remarks

Chair Taylor called to order the meeting of the Board of Juvenile Justice at 10:05 am. The meeting was held as an audio conference at DJJ Central Office, Decatur, GA.

DJJ Staff Present: Commissioner Tyrone Oliver, Chief of Staff Mark J. Mitchell, Assistant Commissioner Sean C. Hamilton, Deputy Superintendent Zane Shelfer, DJJ Executive staff members, DJJ staff members

Others Present: Amy Radley, Attorney General's Office, the general public

Secretary's Report: Board Secretary Adam Kennedy conducted the Roll Call. The following members were present: Danny L. Blackmon, Willie C. Bolton, Dr. Thomas Coleman, John B. Edwards, Angie M. Holt, Margaret D. Kaiser, Adam Kennedy, Penny Penn, Elaine Snow, Fred Stephens, Sandra H. Taylor, and Judge Quintress Gilbert

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

Chair Taylor asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2020 Board meeting. A motion was made by Board member Blackmon and seconded by Board member Coleman. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner's Report:

Commissioner Tyrone Oliver presented his report to the Board.

The following topics were discussed:

Commissioner Tyrone Oliver asked that Deputy Commissioner Shawanda Reynolds-Cobb and Chief of Staff Mark Mitchell present an overview of the Youth In Custody Model (YICM) to the board members.

Commissioner gave a brief update on the FY2021 budget and how it affects the agency. Questions from the board members included when is the last day of the session, new uniforms for the officers in the communities and community office closures.

Commissioner Oliver updated the board members on Covid-19 procedures for the agency, to include weekly website updates that employees and the public can access.

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 Holt and seconded by Board member Bolton. The motion carried unanimously.

Board of Education:

Deputy Superintendent Zane Shelfer provided an update on graduates that received high school diplomas (38), GED's (38) and specialized certificates (14). He updated the board members on the numbers of enrollees in the RYDC, YDC and ETC programs, to include Special Education classes. Currently, the teachers have return and students have begun the 2020 Summer school sessions. Deputy Superintendent Shelfer will begin providing the Education dashboard in the month of August, along with plans for the Fall semester.

This concludes the Deputy Superintendent's report.

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 Coleman and seconded by Board member Kennedy. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair's Comments:

Chair Taylor thanked the Board for their continuing participation in the Board meetings. She congratulated Board member Colbert on being elected as a Superior Court Judge, Board member Penn for being re-elected to her position as District Attorney. Chair Taylor was also re-elected to her position as Solicitor General. She requested from the board members any agenda items they would like discussed at future meetings. Vice-Chair Bolton commended the Commissioner and Staff on a continuing a great job with the agency.

Old Business: No old business

New Business: No new business

Comments: No comments With no further business before the Board, Chair Taylor stated the next scheduled meeting will be on July 23, 2020, at 10:00 am. The meeting was adjourned.

Sandra H. Taylor, Chair Board of Juvenile Justice Tyrone Oliver, Commissioner Department of Juvenile Justice

Adam Kennedy, Secretary Board of Juvenile Justice