Shawanda Reynolds-Cobb, Commissioner



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## Board Meeting Summary May 25, 2023 Central Office Board Room (In person and Audio/Zoom Conference)

Motions and Other Business:

- 1. Chair Sandra Taylor called the joint meeting of the Boards of Juvenile Justice and Education to order on Thursday, May 25, 2023, at approximately 10:00 AM.
- 2. Board Member Quintress Gilbert moved for the approval of the agenda. It was seconded and approved unanimously.
- 3. Board Member Garland Hunt moved to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2023 meeting. It was seconded and approved unanimously.
- 4. Board Member Gilbert moved to approve the minutes from the specially-called May 2, 2023, meeting. It was seconded and approved unanimously.
- 5. Commissioner Shawanda Reynolds-Cobb updated the Board about the recent graduations of staff and youth. She thanked Board Member Joyette Holmes for speaking at the youth graduation ceremony. The Commissioner talked about the Employee Engagement Survey and upcoming training for HR staff.
- 6. Deputy Superintendent Zane Shelfter presented on the education dashboard.
- 7. Anna Verhoeff, Elbert Shaw RYDC, gave an overview of the horticulture program for the youth.
- 8. Former Board Member Chief Emeritus Gary Yandura was recognized for his years of service on the DJJ Board.
- 9. Director of Engineering and Construction Services Joan Quinn-Cannon presented on the construction projects.
- 10. Secretary Adam Kennedy moved to approve the board resolution for the authorization of bond sales for the construction projects. The motion was seconded by Board Member Fred Stephens and approved unanimously.

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- 11. Office of Behavioral Health Services Director Christy Doyle gave an overview of the mental health services that DJJ offers.
- 12. Guest Presenter Dr. Lesley Chapin talked about the Dialetical Behavioral Therapy (DBT).
- 13. The Board's Executive Committee appointed members to the Nominating Committee. The members are Fred Stephens, Penny Penn, and Garland Hunt. They will announce the Board Officers nominees at the June meeting.
- 14. Board Member Penn moved to adourn the meeting. It was seconded and approved unanimously.
- 15. With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting will be on June 22, 2023, at 10:00 AM.

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