DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

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BOARD MEETING SUMMARY June 23, 2016

Members Present: Chair Elaine Snow, Vice-Chair Sandra Taylor, Secretary Adam Kennedy, Willie C. Bolton, John Edwards (via telephone conference), the Honorable Lisa Colbert, Richard Ambrose, Danny Porter, Fred Stephens, and Angie Holt. Advisory Council Member the Honorable Quintress Gilbert (via telephone conference).

Motions and Other Business:

- 1. Chair Snow called the meeting of the Board of Juvenile Justice to order on Thursday, June 23, 2016, at 10:00 AM in the Board Room of the Central Office of the Department of Juvenile Justice, at 3408 Covington Highway, Decatur, GA 30032.
- 2. A motion to approve the agenda for the June 23, 2016, meeting was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.
- 3. A motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2016, meeting was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.
- 4. The Commissioner had previously submitted his written report (included in materials). The Commissioner participated via telephone briefly, and Assistant Commissioner Mark Sexton covered the agenda items.
- 5. Community Services Division Program Coordinator Tamara Middlebrooks presented on the school-based supervision program. Board members Bolton and Stephens commended the program, but questioned regarding the division of caseload. Staff on site do not supervise all youth on probation. Deputy Commissioner of Community Services Joe Vignati will work with school administration regarding program.
- 6. General Counsel Cindy Wang provided a brief update regarding the Standing Committee on Policy Review and Board Rules on DCS community supervision transfer, up for final adoption at next Board meeting.
- 7. 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.

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- 8. Associate Superintendent Audrey Armistad provided upcoming dates for professional development opportunities—June 24th and 29th, and July 8th and 26th. She introduced Dr. Angela Burse, talked about interesting events in school and cooperation with Division of Secure Campuses in providing service learning projects. Dr. Armistad recognized Christine Kaczynski, Rescue 2 Restore program. Finally, she announced the retirement of Dr. Rufus Johnson and recognized his years of service and contribution.
- 9. Two youths from the Muscogee YDC presented on their field trip to Jekyll Island and discussed what they learned from the experience.
- 10. 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.
- 11. Old Business: No old business. Board discussed DJJ's newsletter and great things being done in the facilities and community.
- 12. New Business: No new business.
- 13. Chair Snow announced that the next Board Meeting will be held in the Board Room of DJJ headquarters at 3408 Covington Hwy, Decatur, GA 30032, at 10:00 AM on Thursday, July 28, 2016.
- 14. With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

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