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**BOARD MEETING SUMMARY**

**April 25, 2019**

Members Present: Chair Elaine Snow, Vice-Chair Sandra Taylor, Secretary Adam Kennedy, Willie C. Bolton, Judge Lisa Colbert, Richard Ambrose, Penny Penn (via telephone conference), Dr. Thomas Coleman, Fred Stephens, Angie Holt, and Richard Yarbrough (via telephone conference). Judicial Advisory Council Members Judges Steven Teske and Quintress Gilbert were present.

Motions and Other Business:

1. Chair Snow called the meeting of the Board of Juvenile Justice to order on Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 10:02 AM.

2. A motion to approve the April 25, 2019 agenda was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.

3. A motion to approve the March 28, 2019 minutes was made, seconded, and approved unanimously.

4. Chair Snow thanked the staff for their hard work. The Commissioner’s report is included in the materials.

5. Deputy HR Director Tamara Mays presented the Faithful Service Awards.

6. Deputy Commissioners Pamela Johnson (Secure Detention) and Sherry Shoats (Secure Campuses) presented on youth admission and release procedures in the secure facilities. Judge Colbert asked about youth wearing khaki pants and polo shirts instead of jumpsuits. Staff informed that the uniform change has been implemented. Vice-Chair Taylor wanted to make sure that Board-approved detention assessment instruments were utilized.

7. Director of Professional Standards and Training Latera Davis presented on the volunteer programs including the successful partnership with the High Museum of Art. Participating youths’ art exhibit will be on display this month at the museum. he next Citizen’s academy is tentatively to be held in Savannah. Additionally, there will be a volunteer appreciation event to be held at the Atlanta YDC.

8. Deputy Commissioner of Community Services Victor Roberts briefly mentioned the upcoming Community Services division PDC.

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. Associate Superintendent Jean Lee provided an update on the students successfully completing the Milestones assessment tests. The Department is working towards completing all of the testing online. There was a discussion on technology limitations and connectivity issues. Dr. Lee also talked about the upcoming youth graduation.

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: The board training scheduled for May 7-8, 2019, in Forsyth was discussed. Chair Snow encouraged board members to reach out to staff if they have any questions.

13. Old Business: No old business. Board member Willie Bolton announced that he attended the Law Enforcement Appreciation events held in Glennville on behalf of the Board.

14. New Business: No new business.

15. With no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting will be on May 24, 2019, at 10 AM in Forsyth, GA.

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