**BOARD OF HUMAN SERVICES**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**February 18, 2015**

**1:00 p.m.**

**Atlanta, Georgia**

**MEMBERS PRESENT MEMBERS ABSENT**

Frank Auman, Vice Chair Lisa Alexander

Tiena Fletcher, Chair Judy Brownell

Scott Johnson

Randy Smith

Monica Walters, Secretary

Jack Williams

 Chair, Tiena Fletcher called the Department of Human Services’ (DHS) Board meeting to order at 1:36 p.m. on February 15, 2015.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

 A motion was made and seconded that the minutes from the November 12, 2014 Board meeting be approved. There being no further discussion, the motion passed.

**COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**

 Commissioner Keith Horton announced the Accountability Courts established by Governor Deal have now been expanded to include child support. Judge Jason Deal presides over the Accountability Courts and has appointed a task-force for a Council to oversee a Problem Solving Court for North Georgia, which has funding potential for the Division of Child Support Problem Solving Courts. Commissioner Horton announced Jim Bricker retired with 36 years of State Service. He stated the replacement is Frank Billard who was Jim’s Deputy Director. Commissioner Horton announced Dr. Debora Johnson is the new Medical Director supporting Director Cagle, DFCS and Director Bulot, Aging. He stated she is a medical doctor specializing in Child Psychiatry.

 Thus concluded the Commissioner’s report.

**CHAIR’S REPORT**

Chair, Tiena Fletcher welcomed Dr. Debora Johnson to the Department and commented we are looking forward for a report in the coming months. The Board would like to wish Jim Bricker well on his retirement. She stated how excellent the reports were today. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:42 pm.

**THE NEXT MEETING**

 The next meeting of the Board of Human Services is scheduled for Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 2 Peachtree Street, Atlanta, Georgia.

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  **Tiena Fletcher, Chairperson**