

**BOARD OF HUMAN SERVICES
MEETING MINUTES**

**May 19, 2020
11:58 a.m. – 12:08 p.m.
Atlanta, GA**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Robertiena Fletcher, Chair
Monica Walters, Secretary
Jack Williams
Lisa Hamilton
Scott Johnson
Randall Smith
David Barbee
Wes Lewis

MEMBERS ABSENT

Also present, Commissioner Robyn A. Crittenden.

Chair Robertiena Fletcher called the Board of Human Services' meeting to order at 11:58 a.m. on May 19, 2020.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 12, 2020, BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A motion was presented by David Barbee and seconded by Randall Smith that the minutes of the February 12, 2020, board meeting be approved. There being no further discussion, the motion unanimously passed.

ACTION ITEMS

1. A motion was presented by Mr. Barbee and seconded by Mr. Smith that the amendment to Rule 290-2-28-.07 of the Rules of the Georgia Department of Human Services related to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program, as presented to the Board on May 19, 2020, be approved for initial release for public comment for the period of July 6, 2020, through August 5, 2020; that a public hearing be held on August 5, 2020, in the Board Room on the 29th floor of 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia via teleconference; and, based upon any oral or written comments received, that the Board will consider the proposed rule amendment for final approval at its next meeting on August 26, 2020. There being no further discussion, the motion unanimously passed.

2. A motion was presented by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Barbee that the Revised Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 as presented to the Board of Human Services today, May 19, 2020, be approved." There being no further discussion, the motion unanimously passed.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Crittenden began her report by thanking the Board Members for joining the virtual board meeting. She then stated how proud she was of the DHS employees and the work they have done during this pandemic. Commissioner thanked our IT team and working quickly at getting all the equipment and getting the 1,600 machines that we needed. Commissioner reiterated that reopening of offices will be in conjunction with the CDC guidelines and will be done carefully. The Commissioner then apologized for the late start and glitches that occurred at the beginning of the meeting.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Chair Fletcher concluded the meeting by saying she has been hearing nothing but good things about the department and how the department has responded. She then thanked how DHS mobilized and how the employees continue to help the most vulnerable Georgians.

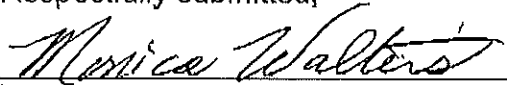
Mr. Barbee then made a statement about the tremendous job the department has done to meet everything that they were required to do and navigating through the financial issues.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

THE NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Board of Human Services is scheduled for Wednesday, August 26, 2020, via Microsoft Teams Live Event Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Monica Walters, Secretary

APPROVED:



Robertlena Fletcher, Chair