MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF GEORGIA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2015 10:00 a.m. – 11:25 p.m.

TELECONFERENCE MEETING 200 PIEDMONT AVENUE SE WEST TOWER – 14TH FLOOR ATLANTA, GA 30334

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jimmy DeFoor Sandy Adams Louise Hill Amy O'Dell Bob Green Tom Wilson Vincent Martin

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Fay Loggins Jonathan Taylor Jimmy DeFoor, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

State Unified Plan

Executive Director Greg Schmieg presented three comments requiring change to the State Unified Plan.

- 1. Page 155, first full paragraph:
 - Comment: Sentence contains inaccurate statement.

<u>Solution</u>: The board proposed that the last sentence simply read, "The agency has hired a Director of the Business division.", omitting the part about supervisory duties.

- 2. Page 157, number 2 first sentence:
 - <u>Comment</u>: "The statement sends a negative message to other citizens with disabilities who aren't youth or students with disabilities." <u>Solution</u>: The board proposed that the first sentence be replaced with, "GVRA

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- 3. Page 166, item v:
 - <u>Comment</u>: Georgia Rehabilitation Association should be added to this list. <u>Solution</u>: The board proposed that "Georgia Rehabilitation Association" be added to the end of the sentence.

Mr. DeFoor moved to consider the suggested changes to the State Unified Plan. Motion was made to approve the changes by Sandy Adams and seconded by Amy O'Dell. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Schmieg informed the board that the revised document will be sent out once the changes are approved by Workforce Development and a final draft is published.

Adjournment

Mr. DeFoor moved to consider adjourning the meeting. Motion was made to adjourn by Amy O'Dell and seconded by Tom Wilson. The motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. DeFoor adjourned the board meeting at approximately 11:25 a.m.

The date of the next GVRS Board meeting has not yet been determined. The date and location will be published once a decision is made.