# MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF GEORGIA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2016 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

## PUBLIC AND AGENCY LISTENING AREA GEORGIA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AGENCY 200 PIEDMONT AVE, 10<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR ATLANTA, GA 30334

**Conference Call.** 

## Meeting called to order at 10:02 a.m. with the roll call.

#### **Board members in attendance:**

Sandy Adams, Diane Davis, Jimmy DeFoor, Bob Green, Louise Hill, Angela Mackey, Vincent Martin, Jonathan Taylor, Tom Wilson.

#### Board members absent: None

### Also in attendance: Sean Casey, Heather Breeden.

Mr. DeFoor welcomed everyone participating in the conference call. He explained the By-Laws to the board members and attendees, which gave him permission to call to order the board meeting waiving the 48 hours notification. He clarified that any decisions made at the today's board meeting will be ratified at the November 9, 2016, board meeting. He asked if any of the board members had any issues with the board meeting being held and there were no objections.

Mr. DeFoor proceeded introducing Mr. Sean Casey, Governor Deal's nominee, as the new GVRA Executive Director. He provided background information about his prior work with Mr. Casey in 2012 when Rehabilitation Services was transitioning from the Georgia Department of Labor to an independent agency. Mr. Casey helped draft the legislative for the transition and was instrumental in the creation of the agency.

Mr. Casey addressed the board. He thanked Mr. DeFoor and the GVRS Board for their welcome and kind words. Also, Mr. Casey thanked and addressed the GVRA staff, stating that he looks forward to leaning on them for their support and getting up to speed of the agency's business. Mr. Casey is looking forward to the future.

Mr. DeFoor opened the floor to the other Board members and each one offered a personal welcome to GVRA.

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Mr. DeFoor thanked Mr. Greg Schmieg providing GVRA with a good start. Further, he states that Mr. Casey would lead GVRA into the future. Mr. DeFoor wants to the Board to also continue working as a team to lend its support to the State Rehabilitation Council.

#### **Motion Summary:**

Tom Wilson made a motion that the GVRS Board approve the nomination by Governor Nathan Deal of Sean Casey as the executive director of the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency.

The motion was seconded by Bob Green.

Mr. DeFoor called for a vote on the motion, which was unanimous.

## ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business for discussion, the Board meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:20 a.m.

## THE NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting will be in November, time and location be determined.

Sandy Adams, Secretary

**APPROVED:** 

Jimmy DeFoor, Chair