

Minutes of Board Meeting

June 8, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Present

David Connell
Hubert Parker
Jeff Wigington
Rachel Little
Jeff Markey
Lynda Coker
Dawn Cartee (via teleconference)

Not Present

Anthony Heath
Todd Cowan

Also attending the meeting from the State Attorney General's Office was Amy Radley, from the Georgia Driving Academy CDL School was Brad Barber and Brian Barber, and from 3 County Driver's Education School was Sally Tallent, a representative from the Department of Behavioral Health Developmental Disabilities Office (DBHDD), and members of the DDS staff.

Establish Quorum/Call to Order

Chairman David Connell confirmed the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Chairman Connell called for a motion regarding the minutes from the May 11, 2016 Board meeting. A motion was made by Lynda Coker to approve the regular meeting minutes as presented; Hubert Parker seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner Brantley began by briefing the Board on the Grand Opening of a new Military Family Support Center in Cobb County. The center is a public/private partnership complex that provides commissary and other services to veterans and their families. DDS team members joined DDS Board Chairman David Connell to help with licensing services for our veterans. A special thank you was given to Isaac Brown, Pierre Miles, J. C. Reynoso, Paul LaSorsa, Mike Viera, and Examiners Stacia Dickson from Kennesaw and Becky Face from Marietta for volunteering their time for this special cause. Chairman Connell also gave brief remarks on the Grand Opening of the Military Family Support Center and what this center means to our veterans. A PowerPoint presentation showed the elected officials and our DDS team members hard at work assisting the veterans.

Commissioner Brantley briefed the Board on the 5 awards DDS received from the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administration (AAMVA). The awards included Fraud Prevention and Detection Award – Law Enforcement Agency for "Office of Investigative Services (OIS) State Law Enforcement Certification Project". OIS was awarded both a regional award and an international award for their efforts in obtaining state certification. Fraud Prevention and Detection Award – Law Enforcement Individual for "Larry McDuffie, Criminal Investigator II Office of Investigative Services". Larry's award is also both a

regional and international award. Fraud Prevention and Detection Award – Motor Vehicle Individual for “Wendy Hill, Investigative Assistant, Georgia Department of Driver Services”. Innovative Use of Technology Award for Georgia Department of Driver Services Customer Service Chat Feature”. Congratulations to Kevin Hamlett and the entire Contact Center team for this recognition. PACE Division 2: Visual Arts, Category 2B: Photography Award for “Georgia Department of Driver Services Governor’s Day of Service”. Congratulations to Susan Sports.

Bob Griffin, Chief Financial Officer, gave an update on facilities. The Dallas CSC is scheduled to open on June 21, 2016. A PowerPoint presentation showed the update on the Dallas CSC. The Fayetteville CSC is making progress. The new location is 3.8 miles from the old CSC. There will be 1,810 square feet of additional space. We will expand from 4 to 8 counters. There will be plenty of parking and increased efficiencies through technology. The search for a new location in Sandy Spring is progressing. The Sandy Spring CSC will possibly be located in a Fulton County owned building. We are hoping for 20 counters for this CSC, which is one of our busiest centers.

Commissioner Brantley briefed the Board on the field’s performance. For the month of May we had 352,535 transactions. Our average statewide wait-time was 10 minutes and 33 seconds.

Rules for Initial Approval

- 375-1-1-.02** Service of Process
- 375-3-1-.10** Driving Ability Demonstration
- 375-3-8-.02** Access to Driver History Record Information for Law Enforcement Agencies and Fire Departments for Employment Purposes

Jeff Markey motioned to approve the initial rules for adoption; Lynda Coker seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

Rules for Final Approval

- 1-1-.08** Failures Written Skills Test
- 375-3-1-.02** Applications
- 375-3-1-.12** Re-Examination upon Failure
- 375-3-1-.15** Photographs
- 375-3-8-.02** Access to Driver History
- 375-5-1-.01** Organization

A motion was made to approve the final rules; the motion received a second and was unanimously approved by the remaining Board members.

Citizen Waivers

Ilean Lewis Bowens – She is seeking a driver’s license in the name of Ilean Lewis Bowens. She is 60 years old. She has a copy of her birth certificate, a copy of her husband’s birth certificate, a Numident letter, a copy of her child’s birth certificate, and a Social Security statement. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department supports the approval of the waiver.

Lynda Coker motioned to approve the waiver; Rachel Little seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

Kurt Timothy Ewald – He seeking a driver’s license in the name of Kurt Timothy Ewald. He is 43 years old. He has a copy of his Certificate of Naturalization, a copy of his mother’s birth certificate, a copy of his adoption papers, a passport, a high school diploma, a Missouri driver’s license, and a Social Security card. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department does not have a recommendation for this waiver.

Hubert Parker motioned to approve the waiver pending the return of the SAVE verification; Jeff Markey seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

Patricia Haggans – She is seeking an ID card. She is 52 years old. She is missing a copy of her birth certificate. She has a copy of her Birth Not Found letter, a Department of Behavioral Health Developmental Disabilities letter, and a Social Security Card. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department supports the approval of the waiver.

Jeff Wigington motioned to approve the waiver; Lynda Coker seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

Tarita Kirk – She is seeking a driver’s license in the name of Tarita Carolyn Kirk. She is 38 years old. She is missing a Certificate of Naturalization. She has a copy of her birth certificate, a copy of her parent’s birth certificate, a copy of her school record, a copy of her father’s death certificate, a Georgia driver’s license, and a Social Security card. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department supports the approval of the waiver.

Lynda Coker motioned to approve the waiver; Jeff Markey seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

Ann McCue – She is seeking a driver’s license in the name of Ann McCue. She is 61 years old. She is missing a Certificate of Naturalization. She has a copy of Birth Abroad certificate, a US Passport, a copy of her school records, a copy of her father’s death certificate, a MC-Form 1099, a letter from the Department of State, and a Social Security card. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department supports the approval of the waiver.

Jeff Wigington motioned to approve a 4th and final extension; Lynda Coker seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

James Roberts – He is seeking an ID card. He is 65 years old. He is missing his birth certificate. He has a copy of his medical records, residency document, a Department of Behavioral Health Developmental Disabilities license request, a Georgia ID card, and a Social Security card. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department supports the approval of the waiver.

Rachel Little motioned to approve the waiver; Jeff Wigington seconded the motion with unanimously approval by the remaining Board members.

Diana Jean Zoeckler – She is seeking a driver’s license in the name of Diana Jean Zoeckler. She is 75 years old. She is missing a marriage certificate. She has a copy of her birth certificate, a copy of her child’s birth certificate, a copy of her marriage certificate to Mr. Kelly, a New York driver’s license, a

newspaper article, and a Social Security card. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department supports the approval of the waiver.

Jeff Markey motioned to approve the waiver; Lynda Coker seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

Driver School Waivers

3 County Driver Education School – Asking for waiver of DDS rule that prohibits location of driving school within 500 feet of CSC. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department supports the approval of the waiver.

After much discussion, Jeff Wigington motioned to approve a temporary waiver; Dawn Cartee seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members. This waiver discussion will be revisited during the July board meeting with additional information from the DDS staff.

Carter's DUI School – Asking for a waiver of rule requiring 5 students to start a class. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department does not support the approval of the waiver because there is no substantial hardship.

Hubert Parker motioned to deny the waiver; Rachel Little seconded the motion with unanimous approval by remaining Board members.

Department of Public Safety (DPS) and the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Training Project – They are seeking to waive requirements for School Application fee, Instructor Application fee, School Owner Criminal Background, Instructor Criminal Background, Instructor Physical and Drug Screen, and In person Instructor Training Seeking waiver of Instructor Requirements. Ms. Angelique McClendon stated that the department supports the approval of the waiver.

Rachel Little motioned to approve the waiver; Jeff Markey seconded the motion with unanimous approval by the remaining Board members.

New or Old Business

The next Board meeting will be held on July 13, 2016.

Adjournment

There was no further business to discuss; Chairman David Connell called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made and seconded with unanimous approval by the Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeff Wigington