



# BOARD OF REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS POST-REGULAR MEETING SUMMARY FEBRUARY 11, 2021

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 5014-1(e)(2)(4), the following is a summary of the subjects acted on at the Regular Meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

## VIRTUAL MEETING

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**FGTV YouTube Channel**

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**Presiding:** Ms. Mary Carole Cooney, Chairperson

**Other Board Members Present:**

Ms. Vernetta Keith Nuriddin, Vice Chairperson

Mr. Mark Wingate

Mr. Aaron Johnson

Dr. Kathleen Ruth

Chairperson Cooney announced that this teleconferenced meeting is authorized pursuant to §50-14-1(g) of the Official Code of Georgia because of the Public Health State of Emergency declared by Governor Kemp on March 14, 2020, and renewed through March 7, 2021, pursuant to which public meeting spaces in state and local Government have been closed due to COVID-19, and because means have been afforded for the public to have simultaneous access to this teleconference.

### #1 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to amend the agenda to move the executive session following item # 2. The motion was made by Vice Chair Nuriddin, seconded by Dr. Ruth and carried by a vote of 4-1; Nay vote by Chairperson Cooney.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to close the regular session and convene into executive session to discuss personnel matters. The motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Vice Chair Nuriddin and carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

After executive session, Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to resume into regular session. The motion was made by Mr. Wingate, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

### **#3- APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Special Meeting- January 5, 2021
- Special Meeting- January 15, 2021
- Executive Session Meeting- January 15, 2021
- Special Meeting- January 19, 2021

Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the Regular, Special and Executive Session Meetings on January 5th, 15th, and 19th, 2020. The motion was made by Mr. Wingate, seconded by Vice Chair Nuriddin and carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

### **#5– REVIEW OF BRE BYLAWS**

Addition 1: **Article V**

#### **Prohibit Conflict of Interest**

Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to table Proposed Amendment #1 under Article V. The motion was made by Dr. Ruth, seconded by Chairperson Cooney and carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Addition 2: **Article III**

#### **Restoring some verbiage from 2014 Bylaws to require the board to respond to public comments**

Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to table Proposed Amendment 2 under Article III. The motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Chairperson Cooney and carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0.\*

Addition 3: **Article III**

#### **Using profane or derogatory language**

Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to approve Proposed Amendment 3 under Article III. The motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Wingate and carried by a unanimous vote of 4-0. \*

\*Vice Chair Nuriddin signal lost.

Addition 4: **Article III**

#### **Amending Public comment to one hour**

Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to approve Proposed Amendment 4 under Article III. The motion was made by Mr. Wingate, seconded by Dr. Ruth and carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

## **#6- ISSUES OFFERED BY REPUBLICAN BRE MEMBERS FOR DISCUSSION**

**Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to table item # 6. The motion was made by Dr. Ruth, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no other items requiring the Board's action, **Chairperson Cooney entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Wingate moved to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Ruth seconded the motion.** Collectively, the Board agreed to adjourn at 1:47 p.m.

The meeting adjourned.

Prepared by,

Mariska Bodison, Board Secretary