



## Safe Harbor Commission Meeting Minutes

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, January 7, 2022

Microsoft Teams

**Meeting Attendees:** Commissioner Candice Broce, Jay Neal, Allison Ashe, Dianne Scoggins, April Hale, Judith Fouts, Theresa Schiefer, Amy Boney, LaMarva Ivory, Susan Boatwright, Kristy Carter, Amy Hutsell, Lindsey Chatham, Elina Acosta, Erica Mortonson, Chris Hempfling, Michelle Smith, Trishi Malhotra, Robin Herron, Michelle Price, Dahlia Brown, and Salena Perry.

**Called to Order:** 10:03am

- I. **Welcome and Call to Order – Dianne Scoggins, Co-Chair of the Safe Harbor Commission**
  - a. Call to Order
    - i. Co-Chairperson Dianne Scoggins called the meeting to order at 10:03am.
  - b. Roll Call
    - i. Salena took roll which resulted in a quorum. The Commission members that were present were Commissioner Broce, Dianne Scoggins, Jay Neal, April Hale, Judith Fouts, Allison Ashe, and Theresa Schiefer.
  - c. Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2021
    - i. The motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting was made by Jay Neal. It was seconded by Co-Chair Scoggins.
  - d. General updates and announcements
    - i. On January 6, 2022, Governor Brian Kemp signed an Executive Order that appointed Commissioner Broce to serve as the Chair of the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission.
    - ii. The CEO of Children’s Advocacy Centers of Georgia has changed. Amy Boney will be the new representative from Children’s Advocacy Centers of Georgia.
- II. **Standard Order of Business**
  - a. RFAs and Funding
    - i. Kristy Carter from CJCC gave a presentation on the Safe Harbor Fund Draft Priorities.
    - ii. She discussed funds available to release, priority/purpose areas and approval, the RFA review (eligibility criteria, grant period, etc), the application review process timeline and next steps in the RFA process.
    - iii. The estimated amount of money available to disperse for SFY is \$351,005.
    - iv. The established Safe Harbor Commission purpose/priority areas are Residential Services and Safe Home Support, Prevention and Awareness, Underserved Populations, and Innovative Community-Based Services.
    - v. Commissioner Broce mentioned that the Safe Harbor Commission should send the terms of the RFA to First Lady Kemp’s office for review.
    - vi. The Commission members agreed to vote on the RFA via email after First Lady Kemp’s office reviewed the document.



- vii. The projected RFA release date will be established after the Safe Harbor Commission and First Lady Kemp's office have reviewed and voted on the document.
      - viii. The Commission and CJCC agreed to modify the language around fund capping.
      - ix. The Commission, DHS, and CJCC will explore the possibility of rolling over funds from the previous round.
    - b. Grace and Safe Harbor Commission Joint Meeting
      - i. Commissioner Broce agreed to reach out to the First Lady's Office to help schedule this meeting.
- III. **Next Steps**
  - a. The final draft RFA including the new language for fund capping and CJCC's PowerPoint Presentation will be emailed to the Safe Harbor Commission members and stakeholders.
  - b. Safe Harbor Commission members will vote via email on the RFA after the First Lady's Office has reviewed the document.
  - c. A Doodle Poll will be sent to determine the next Safe Harbor Commission meeting.
- IV. **Adjournment**
  - a. The motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Broce and seconded by Theresa Schiefer.
- V. The motion passed unanimously.

**Meeting Adjourned: 10:50am**