

GUARDIAN AD LITEM PUBLIC MINUTES

August 11, 2017 AT 1 pm

121 SOUTH FRUIT STREET

A meeting of the Guardian ad Litem Board was held on August 11, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 1:09 p.m. by Chairperson Duncan. Also in Attendance were: Representative David Welch, Attorney Betsy Paine, Honorable Henrietta Luneau, David Robbins, Not in attendance was David Villiotti, Senator Kevin Avard and Attorney Sarah Blodgett. Attending from the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification was Chris Horne.

1. Approval of July 14, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes- D. Robbins made a motion to approve the July 14, 2017 public minutes as amended. Representative Welch seconded, all in favor, minutes approved.

2. Unfinished Business-

a. Training update-the Board went over the Judges portion of the training that will be taking place on October 13. The Judges who will be on the panel are Judge Luneau, Judge Gordon and Judge Foley. This portion of the training will be approximately 3-4 hours.

Honorable Luneau is going to send staff some sample orders from GAL cases. These will be used as training tools.

The topics that will be covered in this area will be put together and the Judges will determine how much time it will take. The Board will have the agenda for this training prior to October 13.

The additional Board training will take place after the Judges panel on October 13. This training will encompass all other aspects of GAL training that are necessary to become a GAL. A breakdown of who is doing what will be available to the Board at the September meeting for approval.

Staff will get the date of the Judges portion of the training posted on our website as well as let the present GALs know of the training. Staff will have a sign-up sheet for those who are attending.

3. Communications General- Attorney Paine let the Board know that the new TPR protocols will be in effect starting January 1, 2017

4. CEU Requests-

- a. Bringing the Protective Factors Framework to Life in Your Work-13.5 CEUs-
Approved

5. Board Updates- none

6. New Business-

- a. Late reports- the Board reviewed the reports and requested the staff send letters to the 5 Guardian ad Litem listed on the report asking them for an explanation as to the lateness of the reports.

7. Non-Public Session-

a Upon the motion of D. Robbins and the second of Honorable Luneau, the Board, by roll call vote, voted to conduct a non-public session at 2.:35 p.m. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(j), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 118 N.H.574(1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by unanimous vote of all members present.

b. Upon return to public session-D. Robbins made a motion to seal the non-public minutes, Attorney Paine seconded, roll call vote, all in favor, motion passes.

8. Adjournment-

The next meeting will be on September 8, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.