

Guardian ad Litem Board
Public Minutes
January 11, 2019
121 South Fruit Street

A meeting of the Guardian ad Litem Board was held on January 11, 2019. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Duncan at 1:08 p.m. Also in attendance were: David Villiotti, Attorney Betsy Paine, Representative David Welch, Attorney Sarah Blodgett and Attorney Todd Prevett. Not present were David Robbins, Honorable Henrietta Luneau. Attending from the Office of Professional licensure and Certification was Chris Horne.

1. **Reading and approval of the November 9, 2018 minutes-** B. Paine made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 9, 2018 meeting. D. Villiotti seconded, S. Duncan abstains and motion passes.

2. **Unfinished Business-**

- a. GAL Survey- did not review at this meeting

3. **Communications General-**

- a. Nuts and Bolts of Being a GAL – training this Saturday. There are 18 signed up. Noted
- b. Chairperson Duncan is going to check with the Senate to see if they have appointed a new senator for the Board.

4. **CEU Requests-**

- a. Community Report on Autism-3 hrs.- Board will revisit next month
- b. Level 1 Alcohol and Drug Awareness and Education-8 hrs.- Board will revisit next month
- c. Drugs Brain and Behaviors; The Science of Addiction-2 hrs.- Board will revisit next month
- d. Substance Use in Women- 2 hrs.- Board will revisit next month
- e. Child Welfare Practice with Families Affected by Parental Incarceration- 1 hr.- Board will revisit next month
- f. Chronic Child Neglect-1 hr.- Board will revisit next month
- g. Facing Addiction in America-7 hrs.- Board will revisit next month
- h. Principles of Substance Abuse Prevention for Early Childhood-2 hrs.- Board will revisit next month
- i. Parenting Intervention for Men Who Batter-1 hr.- Board will revisit next month
- j. Sibling Issues in Foster care and Adoption-1 hr. Board will revisit next month
- k. Prevention through Connection- 2 hrs.- Board will revisit next month
- l. Prescription Opioid Misuse, Heroin Use, Maintenance Medications and Treatment-2hrs.- Board will revisit next month

m. Hope Starts Here: The Prevention Connection-6 CEUs- Board reviewed and approved all but a few of the portions of this training. Using Yoga and Mindfulness, Your Money, Your Goals are not approved. Attorney Paine made a motion that the workshop breakdown is sent in and Board will approve the specific courses. Attorney Prevett seconded, all in favor and motion passes.

n. Stress and Trauma in Practice of Behavioral Healthcare- 6 CEUs- approved

5. Board Updates-

a. The Role of the Guardian ad Litem- Board reviewed and was noted that the roles are very specific. Once adopted it can be cross posted with CASAs existing protocol.

c. Late Reports- responses received- staff will send letters to thanking them for their response.

6. New Business-

a. SB 334-FN-reciprocity for GALs- What do surrounding States have for reciprocity? The Board discussed this law. The GAL Board already grants temporary certifications.

b. Domestic Violence course- Staff asked if Board would be ok if a viewing of the Domestic Violence DVD was put on here by staff to help the number of people waiting for the DVD, to view it at one time. Board is fine with this.

c. Attorney Paine talked about having an e-file course. The Circuit court has gone to on e-file system and there has been discussion that all courts will be using an e-file system by the end of the year. If this is the case the non-attorney GALs will need training on the system. Should Board reach out to find out if there is an implementation timeline?

d. Board suggested inviting the Office of the Child Advocate to a Board meeting so they can get an understanding of the Guardian ad Litem program.

e. there are a few Bills coming up that the Board is going to watch. HB377 the Board will review the text at the next meeting.

7. Non-Public Session-

a. Upon the motion of Attorney Prevett and the second of Representative Welch, the Board, by roll call vote, voted to conduct a non-public session at 2:20 p.m. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II(j), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, 118N.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 Representative Welch made a motion to seal the minutes, Attorney Blodgett seconded, roll call vote and motion passes

8. Adjournment-

a. February 15, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 3:27 p.m. by a unanimous vote.