

Guardian ad Litem Board  
Public Minutes  
March 17, 2023, 1:00 p.m.  
7 Eagle Square, Concord

A meeting of the Guardian ad Litem Board was held on March 17, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Duncan at 1:00 p.m. Also, in attendance were Attorney Caroline Delaney, Attorney Richard Samdperil, Senator Kevin Avard, Attorney Ned Gordon and Honorable Henrietta Luneau. In attendance via Zoom was David Villiotti. Attending from OPLC was Attorney Elizabeth Eaton, Director Bethany Cottrell, Chris Horne Board Administrator and Shana Warriner Board Administrator.

**I. Call to Order –**

**II. Reading and approval of the November 18, 2022, Minutes–**C. Delaney made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 18, 2022, meeting. H. Luneau seconded and motion passes with a roll call vote. R. Samdperil, D. Villiotti and N. Gordon abstained.

**III. OPLC / Board Administrator Updates–**None.

**IV. CEU Requests–**

**a. Michael Paolino –** Asking Children About Time and Number – C. Delaney made a motion to approve. K. Avard seconded motion passes with a roll call vote.

**b. Michael Paolino –** Virtual Effects of Opioids on the Human Brain - C. Delaney made a motion to approve. K. Avard seconded motion passes with a roll call vote.

**c. Michael Paolino –** Foundations in Parent Child Introduction Therapy - - C. Delaney made a motion to approve. K. Avard seconded motion passes with a roll call vote.

**d. Michael Paolino –** Child Sexual Abuse 101 – C. Delaney made a motion to approve. K. Avard seconded motion passes with a roll call vote.

**e. Michael Paolino –** Finding the Evidence Based Practices C. Delaney made a motion to approve. K. Avard seconded motion passes with a roll call vote.

**f. Michael Paolino –** Minimal Facts Interviewing of Children – C. Delaney made a motion to approve. K. Avard seconded motion passes with a roll call vote.

**V. Old Business-** None.

**VI. New Business**

**a. Board Member Interests –** Jennifer Dassau submitted her information to become a new board member.

**b. Email from Sarah Blodgett – GAL Rates in Private Parenting & Marital Cases –** R. Samdperil spoke with Attorney Driscoll and advised her to reach out to the judge(s) and the Judicial Branch on this as the courts set fees.

**c. Email from Amy Driscoll Esq – GAL Hourly Rates and Fee Cap in Martial & Parenting –** This was duplicate of Sarah's email.

**VII. Licensure Approval (if applicable) –** None.

**VIII. Rules Review and Other Legislative Topics** – Attorney Elizabeth Eaton discussed with the board HB655, HB2, HB535, HB108 and HB321. K. Avard made a motion to have N. Gordon testify and for Board Counsel Elizabeth Eaton to draft written testimony. H. Luneau seconded motion passes with a roll call vote.

**IX. Non-Public Session** - C. Delaney made a motion to go into non-public session. R. Samdperil seconded, and motion passes with a roll call vote.

*\* Motion (in public session) to move into Non-Public session per:*

***RSA 91-A:3, II(c)*** Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, ***other than a member of this board***, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.

*\* Roll Call Vote*

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b. Upon return to public session at 3:00 p.m. H. Luneau made a motion to seal the minutes from the non-public session. R. Samdperil seconded, and motion passes with a roll call vote.

**9. Adjournment**- 3:02 p.m.

a. Next meeting April 21, 2023