



Guardian Ad Litem Public Meeting Minutes

Guardian Ad Litem Board

3/25/2025 1:00 PM EDT

Attendance

Present:

Members: Henrietta Luneau, Kevin Avard, Jay Buckey, Caroline Delaney, Susan Duncan, Edward Gordon, Jennifer Knox-Dassau

Staff Present: Susan Hines Board Administrator, Elizabeth Eaton Board Counsel

I. Call To Order at 1:17

II. Remote Attendance

Meeting called to order. If a voting member has been allowed to attend remotely, identify that member, have them check that they can clearly hear and be heard, and that they are alone in the room. Note that all votes must be via roll call vote if any voting member is attending remotely.

III. Review of Public Minutes

Motion to accept public minutes:

Motion moved by Edward Gordon and motion seconded by Caroline Delaney. 7-0-1
Deb DeSimone abstained

IV. Gal 305.01 Public Hearing 1:00

Motion to use language established in place of approved. Caps on CASA in Statutory Rule RSA 490 c 6 and should remain.:

Motion moved by Kevin Avard and motion seconded by Jay Buckey. 6-0-2
Caroline Delaney and Deb DeSimone abstained

A. Gal 305.01 IP Notice

V. Public Appearances

VI. Public Comment

Permission for Board Administrator to move Public Comment on agenda to before Non-Public Session.

Board agreed to move public comment in agenda.

VII. OPLC and/or Board Administration Updates

GAL Training- Review of the Training Guide for Nuts & Bolts March 21, 2025 with Ralph Morin and Judge Prevett at OPLC 1:00 -3:00 PM. GAL training scheduled for July 18, 2025 9:00 -4:00 PM.

Discussion on GAL training with revised Nuts & Bolts materials. Hon Henrietta Luneau to invite for Judges Panel training and Caroline Delaney to invite speaker for Domestic Violence training on July 18, 2025 9:00 -4:00. Board Admin will send invite to licensee through Public Relations.

- A. Discussion on changing day of Meeting to Friday's due to lack of quorum. Tabled until next meeting.
- B. Standing Order- Order on Failed or Returned License Fee Payments 1:45

Motion to accept Standing Order:

Motion moved by Kevin Avard and motion seconded by Edward Gordon. 8-0-0

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

Private GAL Board Training:

Current lack of GAL's

Status of scheduling training

Do we have a sustainable training model?

Can the Board certify more quickly?

Comments already addressed with the Nuts & Bolts training guide update.

X. Administrative Rules & Legislative Topics

1:15 Dee Juris

- A. Board Rules Memo

Motion to initiate rulemaking:

Motion moved by Kevin Avard and motion seconded by Henrietta Luneau. 8-0-0

XI. Non-Public Session

Non-Public session conducted for the purpose of discussing investigations of alleged licensee misconduct and other confidential Board business. Such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c) & (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, Lodge v. Knowlton, (1978), and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges.

Motion to move to Non-Public session:

Motion moved by Kevin Avard and motion seconded by Caroline Delaney. 8-0-0

XII. Resume Public Session

Jay Buckley left meeting at 2:45 PM

Motion to resume Public Session:

7-0-0

XIII. Seal The Minutes of the Non-Public Session

Minutes of the non-public session are sealed to maintain the privacy of the items discussed in non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (c), on the grounds that public disclosure may adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a Board member or render the proposed action ineffective.

Motion to seal Minutes of the Non -Public session:

Motion moved by Kevin Avard and motion seconded by Caroline Delaney.

7-0-0

XIV. Adjournment at 3:02