#### SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS

## SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING MINUTES

September 8, 2021

The South Carolina Commission on Disabilities and Special Needs met on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at 10:45 a.m. at the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs Central Office, 3440 Harden Street Extension, Columbia, South Carolina.

The following were in attendance:

COMMISSION

Present In-Person
Stephanie Rawlinson – Chairman
Barry Malphrus – Vice Chairman
Robin Blackwood – Secretary
Gary Kocher, M.D.
Gary Lemel
Eddie Miller
David Thomas

# **DDSN Administrative Staff**

Pat Maley, Chief Financial Officer; Michael Mickey, Director of Information Technology Division; and Christie Linguard, Administrative Coordinator.

#### Call to Order and Notice of Meeting Statement

Chairman Rawlinson called the meeting to order at 10:50 a.m. and Secretary Blackwood read a statement of announcement about the meeting that was distributed to the appropriate media, interested persons, and posted at the Central Office and on the website in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

## <u>Invocation</u>

Commissioner Miller gave the invocation.

#### Adoption of the Agenda

Commissioner Blackwood made a motion to adopt the agenda. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Malphrus and unanimously approved by the commission members. (Attachment A)

#### **Executive Session**

At 10:53 a.m., Commissioner Thomas made a motion to go into executive session to interview candidates for the State Director position. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Lemel and unanimously approved by the commission.

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## Rise Out of Executive Session

Upon rising out of executive session at 3:24 p.m., Commissioner Rawlinson announces that there were no decisions or motions made and no action or votes taken during executive session.

Commissioner Blackwood made a motion to include an executive session the agenda for the Special Called Commission Workgroup Training meeting on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 to allow the commission to seek legal counsel; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Miller and unanimously approved by the members.

## Adjournment

On a motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Miller, and unanimously approved by the commission, the meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Submitted by:

Christie D. Linguard

Administrative Coordinator

Approved by:

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Robin Blackwood

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Commissioner Robin Blackwood

Secretary

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## AGENDA

# South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs 3440 Harden Street Extension Columbia, SC

September 8, 2021

10:45 A.M.

1. Call to Order Chairman Stephanie Rawlinson

2. Notice of Meeting Statement Commissioner Robin Blackwood

3. Adoption of Agenda

4. Executive Session Chairman Rawlinson

Interview Candidates for State Director Position

- 5. Rise from Executive Session
- 6. Adjournment