

Adult Public Guardianship Review Board Howard County Maryland
Open Meeting November 1, 2018 MINUTES

- A. Call to Order for Open Meeting: 8:40 am at Office of Aging offices, new location, Michelle H was kind enough to supply coffee.
- B. Roll Call via sign-in sheet, quorum was established.
- Voting members present
 1. Archana Leon-Guerrero, Physician who is a Psychiatrist Member (Chair)
 2. Renee Bitner, Public Health Nurse Member
 3. William Moss, Nonprofit Member -- Linwood Center
 4. Steven Plakitsis, County Agency Representative (Howard County DSS)
 5. Fred (Chip) Coover, Attorney Member
 6. Eletta Morse, Commission on Aging Member
 7. Chris Rand, Lay Member
 8. Nikki Young-Person with Disabilities Member
 9. Michelle Melotti, Radiologist - Physician other than a Psychiatrist Member
 10. Michelle Henry, Disability Professional Member
 - Voting members absent-excused
 1. Kim McKay, Lay Member
 - Vacant positions - None
 - Others present
 1. David Andy Hall, Court-Appointed Attorney for disabled persons
 2. Barrett King, Court-Appointed Attorney for disabled persons
 3. Beverly Heyden, Howard County Office of Law representing (DSS)
 - Others expected to be present but not present
 4. Linda Schuster, Executive secretary to APGRB, Howard County Dept of Social Services (DSS)
- C. Announcements from floor
1. Steven reported that on 10/8/18, the Maryland Association of Social Services Boards met, where Steve presented about Howard County's experience with APGRB. Chip also attended and helped to present.
 2. Steven also reported that the Maryland State position for Adult Public Guardian Review Board Coordinator at Maryland DSS is now vacant, as Greg Seseck has been promoted from that position. Members of our Board commented that it was while Greg held that position over the past few years, (first time that position was filled in many years), that our Board was able to make much progress in getting better organized. Greg certainly contributed to that, as well as current Board members.
- D. Minutes from August 2 meeting not available to review, Archana said would circulate via email soon for electronic vot..
- E. Old Business:
1. Status of our January 2018 request to Attorney General Frosh re whether we are a state or county board reviewed again.
 - a. Received response from Mr. Kuc, Howard County Solicitor dated June 6, 2018 that we are a state board.
 - b. Have we heard from Attorney General yet? Expect this item to remain open continuously ongoing
 2. New format for Guardian's Report to Board: Compliance Committee did not work on this. Item remains open.
 - a. Steve recommended PIPP format, which was referred to Compliance Committee
 3. New format for Board's recommendation to Court following each meeting: Compliance Committee did not work on this. Item remains open.
- F. New Business:
1. Compliance Committee Report: Archana stated that no formal meeting was held since last meeting, and likely won't be until after February 2019 meeting due to holidays.
 2. Open to New Business from floor—none was brought up.
- G. Reminder of next APGRB meeting Thursday February 7, 2019 at 8:30am.
- H. Adjournment.