



Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission

Thursday, November 14, 2024, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

200 Piedmont Avenue, S.E., West Tower, 5th Floor, Board Room 512

Atlanta, GA 30334

This meeting was conducted in person and via WebEx for the public and Board Members.

Meeting Called By: Evan Meyers, Chair

Recording Secretary: Evam Frey, GOSAC Liaison

Board Members

- **In-person Conferencing:** Evan Meyers, Edward Reynolds, Clay Davis, David Kidd, Grant Thomas, Gary Sisk, Bety Cason (*arrived during the consideration of state applications*)
- **Virtual Conferencing:** Dr. Chris Rustin, Cassandra Price.
- **Absent:** None

Georgia Opioid Abatement Trust Staff: Holly Lynde, Melissa Malcom, Taylor Peyton.

Agenda

Call to Order: Chairman Evan Meyers called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

Chairman Evan Meyers welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked GOSAC Liaison Evan Frey to conduct the roll call.

Introduction of Members

Chairman Evan Meyers asked each of the GOSAC members to introduce themselves. Sheriff Gary Sisk, Grant Thomas, David Kidd, Clay Davis, Edward Reynolds, Cassandra Price, and Dr. Chris Rustin each gave an introduction.

Introduction of Executive Director of GOCAT

Chairman Evan Meyers introduced Mrs. Holly Lynde, Executive Director of the Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust. He shared Ms. Lynde's responsibility relating to the day-to-day operations of the Trust, including facilitating the annual competitive grant process. Chairman Evan Meyers additionally shared Mrs. Lynde's background

Procedural Matters:

Chairman Evan Meyers indicates that a date for the next meeting has not yet been set, but he anticipates a meeting in late February or early March. The Chairman also suggests that GOSAC consider convening in locations throughout the state to provide an opportunity for those in other communities to attend in person.

Region 1 Presentation

Chairman Evan Meyers asked Executive Director Holly Lynde to present on the Region 1 applications suggested for approval.

Following the presentation, Chairman Evan Meyers indicated that Clay Davis asked to be recused from District II Public Health, so that matter would be taken up separately.

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on District II Public Health's application. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend District II Public Health's application to the Trustee. A motion was made by David Kidd, which was seconded by Ed Reynolds. The non-abstaining members of the commission voted unanimously to recommend District II Public Health's application to the Trustee.

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on the remaining twenty-four Region 1 applications suggested for approval. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend the Region 1 applications to the Trustee. A motion was made by Gary Sisk, which was seconded by Clay Davis. The commission voted unanimously to recommend the remaining twenty-four Region 1 applications to the Trustee.

Region 2 Presentation

Chairman Evan Meyers asked Executive Director Holly Lynde to present on the Region 2 applications suggested for approval.

Following the presentation, Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on the twelve Region 2 applications suggested for approval. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend the Region 2 applications to the Trustee. A motion was made by Ed Reynolds, which was seconded by Grant Thomas. The commission voted unanimously to recommend the suggested twelve Region 2 applications to the Trustee.

Region 3 Presentation

Chairman Evan Meyers asked Executive Director Holly Lynde to present on the Region 3 applications suggested for approval.

Following the presentation, Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on the four Region 3 applications suggested for approval. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend the Region 3 applications to the Trustee. A motion was made by Cassandra Price, which was seconded by Clay Davis. The commission voted unanimously to recommend the four Region 3 applications to the Trustee

Region 4 Presentation

Chairman Evan Meyers asked Executive Director Holly Lynde to present on the Region 4 applications suggested for approval.

Following the presentation, Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on the five Region 4 applications suggested for approval. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend the Region 4 applications to the Trustee. A motion was made by Gary Sisk, which was seconded by Chris Rustin. The commission voted unanimously to recommend the five Region 4 applications to the Trustee
Discussion

Region 5 Presentation

Chairman Evan Meyers asked Executive Director Holly Lynde to present on the Region 5 applications suggested for approval.

Following the presentation, Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on the Region 5 applications suggested for approval, after hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend the Region 5 applications to the Trustee. A motion was made by Cassandra Price, which was seconded by Chris Rustin. The commission voted unanimously to recommend the Region 5 applications to the Trustee
Discussion

Region 6 Presentation

Chairman Evan Meyers asked Executive Director Holly Lynde to present on the Region 6 applications suggested for approval.

Following the presentation, Chairman Evan Meyers indicated that Clay Davis asked to be recused from any vote regarding Bright Star Healthcare Group's application, so that matter would be taken up separately.

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on Bright Star Healthcare Group's application. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend Bright Star Healthcare Group's application application to the Trustee. A motion was made by Ed Reynolds, which was seconded by Gary Sisk. The non-abstaining members voted unanimously to recommend Bright Star Healthcare Group's application to the Trustee.

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on the remaining thirteen Region 6 applications suggested for approval, after hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend the Region 6 applications to the Trustee. A motion was made by Cassandra Price, which was seconded by Clay Davis. The commission voted unanimously to recommend the remaining thirteen Region 1 applications to the Trustee.

Recess

Chairman Evan Meyers asked that the board take a brief recess in anticipation of the arrival of GOSAC member Betty Cason.

Betty Cason Arrives at 3:28 pm

State Presentation

Following the Recess, Chairman Evan Meyers called the meeting back to order and asked Executive Director Holly Lynde to present on the State applications suggested for approval.

Following the presentation, Chairman Evan Meyers indicated that Clay Davis asked to be recused from any vote on Wellstar Health System's application and that Ed Reynolds asked to be recused from any vote regarding Carelink of Georgia's application, so those matters would be taken up separately.

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on WellStar Health System's application. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to

recommend WellStar Health System's application to the Trustee. A motion was made by Ed Reynolds, which was seconded by Grant Thomas. The non-abstaining members voted unanimously to recommend Bright Star Healthcare Group's application to the Trustee.

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on Carelink of Georgia's application. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend WellStar Health System's application to the Trustee. A motion was made by Gary Sisk, which was seconded by David Kidd. The non-abstaining members voted unanimously to recommend Carelink of Georgia's application to the Trustee.

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on the remaining forty-eight State applications suggested for approval. After hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend the remaining forty-eight applications to the Trustee. A motion was made by Clay Davis, which was seconded by Ed Reynolds. The commission voted unanimously to recommend the remaining State applications to the Trustee.

Rotary Presentation

Chairman Evan Meyers asked Executive Director Holly Lynde to present on the funding of the Rotary International Project for approved purposes.

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there was any discussion to be had on funding the Rotary International Project.

Clay Davis applauded the idea of involving Rotary International in the cause of opioid abatement.

After hearing no further discussion, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to recommend the Rotary International funding opportunity to the Trustee. A motion was made by Grant Thomas, which was seconded by Chris Rustin. The commission voted unanimously to recommend Rotary International funding opportunity to the Trustee.
Discussion

Public Comment

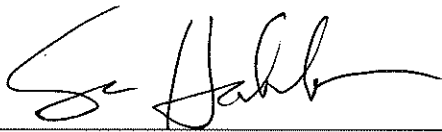
There were not any comments from the public at this meeting.

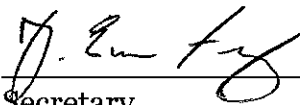
Adjournment

Chair Evan Meyers asked if there were any further business for the day, after hearing none, Chair Evan Meyers asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Clay Davis, which was seconded by Gary Sisk. The meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Evan Frey, recording secretary

Signatures:


Chairman


Secretary