



## Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission

### Meeting Summary

Monday, March 24, 2024, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Hybrid Meeting)  
200 Piedmont Avenue, S.E. West Tower, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Board Room 512  
Atlanta, GA 30334

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Chairman Sam Hatcher called the meeting to order at 11:07 A.M. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. The hybrid meeting was held at 200 Piedmont Avenue, S.E. West Tower, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Board Room 512 Atlanta, GA 30334 and online via Webex; the following GOSAC members participated:

**Commission members attended in person:** Chairman Sam Hatcher (*Office of the Governor*), Grant Thomas (*DCH*), Cassandra Price (*DBHDD*), Clay Davis (*Spalding County BOC*), David Kidd (*Georgia Association of Community Service Boards*),

**Commission members attended via WebEx:** Dr. Chris Rustin (*DPH*), Mayor Betty Cason (*Carrollton, GA*), Mayor Ed Reynolds (*Bainbridge, GA*), Sheriff Gary Sisk (*Catoosa County*),

**DBHDD Staff in Attendance:** Holly Lynde (*GOCAT Executive Director*), Melissa Malcom (*Opioid Litigation Attorney*), Brenda Woodard (*DBHDD General Counsel*)

Chairman Sam Hatcher welcomed each of the members to the meeting and introduced himself as the new chairman of the Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission (GOSAC).

Chairman Sam Hatcher brought the first order of business of approving the minutes from the November 14, 2024 meeting. After giving the members a chance to review the minutes, the members unanimously voted to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2024 meeting.

Chairman Hatcher invited Holly Lynde to introduce the meeting's recovery speaker that was invited to share their story of recovery.

Chairman Hatcher thanked the recovery speaker for their willingness to participate. Moving to the next agenda item, Chairman Hatcher asked that the Commission discuss tentative dates for the remaining 2025 meetings. The week of Monday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> was discussed and generally accepted for the tentative scheduling of GOSAC's Q2 meeting, though Mayor Betty Cason cited concerns with conflicts of the Georgia Municipal Association's yearly meeting. The week of Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup> was discussed and generally accepted for the tentative scheduling of GOSAC's Q3 meeting. Lastly, the week of Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup> was discussed and generally accepted for the tentative scheduling of GOSAC's Q4 meeting.



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Following setting tentative dates for the remaining meetings in 2025, Chairman Hatcher invited those wishing to make public comment to do so. Two individuals from the Rizer Institute made public comment related to their interdisciplinary pain management program.

Chairman Hatcher thanked those that participated in public comment and adjourned the meeting.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.